

## **Editorial**

The *Journal of Iranian Social Studies* is the second credited journal of Iranian Sociological Association (IRSA). This journal follows a non-centralized model enjoying the cooperation of departments of social sciences and sociology of universities, provincial offices and specialized groups of the association, and other interested scientific institutions.

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