



Social Work International Conference

Social Work Responses to the New Realities of a Turbulent World

2nd Edition, November 2nd - 3rd 2017, Bucharest

Social Work International Conference (SWIC) 2017

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Call for Abstracts

Organizers: *Department of Social Work, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, University of Bucharest* in collaboration with the *Romanian Association of Schools of Social Work (ASSWR)*

Conference dates: November 2nd – 3rd, 2017

Conference venue: Faculty of Sociology and Social Work (90 Paduri Street, Sector 5, Bucharest)

Conference languages: English

Conference website: www.swicub.com

The Social Work Department of the University of Bucharest is pleased to invite submissions for presentations at the 2nd edition of the *Social Work International Conference (SWIC)* to be held in Bucharest on **November 2nd – 3rd, 2017**.

The conference theme, *Social Work Responses to the New Realities of a Turbulent World*, seeks to gather contributions focusing on social work related-issues against the background of a fast-changing world. In the context of a reflexive society, characterized by a constant interplay between action, its interpretations and re-action (Beck, 1992), the need to understand and review social work's responses becomes imperative. In recent years, we have witnessed the emergence of new social risks/problems, as a consequence of a myriad of socio-political factors. Social work is a dynamic profession and field of study with a mandate to properly interpret social changes and to act and re-act to the most pressing social needs created by world changes, such as the economic crisis in 2008 and the subsequent austerity measures, the social problems created by armed conflicts and issues pertaining to the intensification of transnational migration, etc. Rapid technological advancements have enhanced the exchange of information across various settings, which has the potential of contributing to increasing our awareness of social risks and, ultimately, to generating concrete actions for redefining the social order.

We welcome scientifically sound and original contributions from researchers, educators, practitioners, and students from social science in the areas listed below.

Submissions can be empirical, theoretical or practice based. We accept submissions from both experienced researchers/practitioners and undergraduate, master and PhD students.



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Focus areas:

1. Social work practice and profession
2. Human rights and vulnerable groups
3. Social work with children and youth
4. Social work with adults and the elderly
5. Social work with Roma families
6. Social work responses to domestic violence
7. Deviance and social behavior
8. Social work education
9. Diversity and social justice
10. International perspectives in social work
11. Social work and social development
12. Community social work
13. Miscellaneous

Key dates

Submission of abstracts: July 25th, 2017

Informing participants: September 10th, 2017

Registration deadline: September 30th, 2017

Conference: November 2nd – 3rd, 2017

Full-Text submission: February 1st, 2018

Publication of papers

All submissions to SWIC2016 must be in English (abstracts and full-texts). They will be evaluated through a peer-review process.

Accepted full-text papers will be published in a special number of the [The Social Work Review](#) (Revista de Asistență Socială).

Instructions for authors

Presentation types include individual or co-authored papers, poster presentations, and organized workshops. The papers will be selected based on criteria such as: compliance with the conference theme, relevance, actuality of the subject.

Registration

Registration is now open. To register please fill out the [Abstract Submission Form](#).

Abstract submissions should include the following:

Title of the presentation

Name and affiliation of the author(s)

3-5 key-words

The abstract body (300 words or less, maximum 3000 characters) should include:

- Background
- Purpose
- Methodology
- Results and/or practice implications
- General conclusion

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Travel and Accommodation

Participants must cover and organize their own travel and accommodation costs and details. Organizers will not be able to reimburse travel and accommodation expenses. Applicants who need a visa to enter Romania will be provided with confirmation of registration papers.

Please address any enquiries about the conference to swicub@sas.unibuc.ro

The SWIC 2017 Organizing Committee looks forward to seeing you in Bucharest this fall!