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CALL FOR PARTICIPATION AND SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Specific social, political and economic circumstances have been determining the character and value orientation of social policy and social work practice. Today, these scientific disciplines and their practices are characterized by a diversity of goals and measures, ranging from the guarantee of a minimum standard of living over the promotion of employment to the comprehensive protection of vulnerable social groups and the promotion of social inclusion.

Contemporary social work practice and social policy programs are geared towards promoting equality, a concept that must be considered in relation to outcomes and opportunities for achieving equality in practice. Sometimes, the provision of universal protection is not necessarily linked to equality in access and usage of social benefits and services. Equality of outcomes or equality of opportunities is just one of the value dilemmas that accompany social work practice and determine social policy goals, while at the same time revision and recalibration of this value framework is further intensified by the impact of exogenous factors on the provision of social security and mitigating the differences between particular social groups within national frameworks.

We invite all interested authors in the field of social work and social policy, as well as authors from related scientific disciplines, to submit their abstracts that are, in the broadest sense, related to the following thematic areas:

ADVOCATING EQUALITY IN MODERN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE

- Child protection and alternative care
- Rights of children and adolescents
- Family support systems
- Gender and sexual identity-community, practice and rights
- Mental health in modern society - challenges and obstacles
- Supervision in social protection
- Trends in gerontology - towards active "functional" aging
- Violence against the elderly - discovering a family secret
- Challenges of (social) inclusion of marginalized / vulnerable groups
- Community life: from law to reality
- (Contemporary) social contexts of psychopathology and antisocial behavior
- Innovative approaches in the theory and practice of social work
- Ethics and values in social work practice
- People on the move: Migration as part of contemporary societies



THE PRINCIPLE OF EQUALITY IN THE THEORY AND PRACTICE OF SOCIAL POLICY - REALITY OR MYTH?

- Social justice and social equality in a changing world
- Social inequalities in contemporary societies (income inequality, inequalities in health, education, housing and access to the labor market)
- Social inequalities in life-course perspectives: a challenge for contemporary social policy
- Identity issues and social inequalities - gender and ethnicity in focus
- Social inequalities, social capital and the welfare state
- Public sector policies, programs and measures in the redistribution of welfare and their outcomes
- The civilian sector and equality advocacy activities for vulnerable social groups

REGISTRATION AND FORMS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE

- Active participation (oral presentation, workshop, panel, poster presentation)
- Passive participation (by sending the completed application form to email: susreti.sr@fpn.bg.ac.rs)

Registration should be done by using the application form <http://www.fpn.bg.ac.rs/32253>. The abstracts, together with the completed application form, should be sent to email: susreti.sr@fpn.bg.ac.rs.

The abstract proposal should include: author's name and last name, affiliation, title, body of the abstract (range from 100 to 250 words, font 12, Times New Roman, Justify) and up to 5 keywords. A maximum of two papers can be submitted by one author, with possibility of being the first author for only one abstract.

PUBLICATION OF PAPERS

Accepted abstracts will be published in the Abstract Book. Authors have also the opportunity to publish full papers, after the review process, in the special issue of the scientific journal *Socijalna politika* (Social Policy).

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IMPORTANT DATES

- April 1, 2020 – deadline for abstract submission
- April 30, 2020 – deadline for notification of abstract acceptance
- May 15, 2020 – deadline for registration and registration fee payment

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

- Serbian, the languages of the countries in the region and English

REGISTRATION FEE

PARTICIPANT STATUS	AMOUNT OF THE FEE
Participants from Serbia	1000 RSD
Participants from abroad	10€
Students from Serbia and abroad, unemployed participants	Exempted from registration fees

* Detailed instructions on registration fee payments for participants from Serbia and abroad can be found <http://www.fpn.bg.ac.rs/32253>.



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