

Online or in-person

from April, 24th 2025 to April, 25th 2025

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## ICSW International Conference on Participation, social welfare and local administration in times of AI

### Other activities

From a global perspective, citizens are at a crossroads in the field of social welfare and social services. On the one hand, social welfare is anchored in citizen participation, which allows us to participate in decision-making processes, and to exercise our rights. On the other hand, the accelerated digitalization of our administrations after the COVID-19 pandemic, is reinforced by the incorporation of Artificial Intelligence. In this process, people living in rural, depopulated and isolated environments cannot be left behind. This international conference, funded by Diputación de Málaga and with the collaboration of Ayuntamiento de Ronda and ICSW, will address the challenges of participation in the field of social welfare, with special reference to local government, the administration closest to the citizens and responsible for social services in many countries.

What path should we take, in a context where new technologies can reinforce participation, or can they reinforce hierarchization and surveillance? How to redefine and reinforce citizen participation in a context of digitization and Artificial Intelligence? What is our model of digitization? What are the key competencies we need to be effective in a social environment that is physical, but also reproduces itself in the metaverse? What role can co-design and co-creation methodologies play in the field of citizen participation? How to strengthen intergenerational solidarity? How to address the problems of isolation and loneliness in rural and isolated environments?

To this end, we are counting on the special participation of ICSW Europe, which is organizing one of the sessions of the conference. Based on the results of the international meeting on participation held in Ronda in 2024, the final version of the ICSW Ronda Declaration, the result of a long participatory process in 2024 and 2025, will also be presented at this conference.

### Dates and places

UNED Málaga

From April, 24th 2025 to April, 25th 2025

Lugar:

Convento de Santo Domingo, Ronda

## **Teaching hours**

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Teaching hours: 12

## **Program**

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**Thursday, April, 24th 2025**

**10:00-10:20 h. Opening with the authorities of Diputación de Málaga and Ayuntamiento de Ronda**

Antonio López Peláez

**10:20-11:00 h. Keynote session: Participation and social welfare: best practices in polarized societies**

Marta Lora-Tamayo Vallvé

**11:00-11:50 h. Round table: Participation and well-being: perspectives from the IASSW, the IFSW and the ICSW**

Sergei Zelenev

Antoinette Lombard

Joachim Mumba

**12:00-12:45 h. Round table: Citizen participation and smart welfare**

Paulo Pedroso

Sang Mok Suh

**12:45-13:30 h. Round table: Social media and social services**

Patricia Ruiz Reyes

Peter Kanyon

**13:30-14:30 h. Participation and social welfare in Finland and Morocco**

Driss Guerraoui

Ronald Wiman

**14:30-15:30 h. Rest**

**15:30-17:30 h. Round table: Participation and social welfare: a global perspective**

Mr Sepesa Rasili

DLAMINI Thembinkosi

CHUA Hoi Wai

Amacodou DIOUF

Nicola Byrne

Ilda Lopes Rodrigues da Silva

Aila Refiana

Dr. Mahesh Chougule

Bachir Tamer

17:30-20:00 h. ICSW Europe Scientific Seminar: Participation and Social Welfare in Europe

Larisa Lacatus

Gloria Kirwan

Philippe Narval

**Friday, April, 25th 2025**

10:00-11:00 h. Round table: IA, participation and social protection

Antonio López Peláez

Gloria Kirwan

Joaquín Castillo de Mesa

11:00-12:00 h. Presentation of the ICSW Ronda Declaration

Sergei Zelenev

Ronald Wiman

12:00-12:30 h. Closing remarks

Antonio López Peláez

Joaquín Castillo de Mesa

12:30-13:00 h. Closing ceremony, with the authorities of the Provincial Council of Malaga

Antonio López Peláez

Joaquín Castillo de Mesa

## Attendance

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This activity allows to participate in-person assistance or live or delayed online assistance, without having to go to the center.

## Enrollment

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## Virtual attendance

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Esta actividad permite al estudiante poder recibir la actividad desde su casa, sin necesidad de ir al centro.

## Directed by

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## **Aimed at**

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Technical staff of the Málaga Provincial Council and local administrations, students, social work professionals, citizen participation, ICSW members, academia and the general public.

## **Goals**

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Address the most effective participation strategies in local Administration from a comparative perspective.

Analyze the demands of all the actors involved in the participatory processes from a co- design methodology.

Analyze good participatory practices in the international environment from a comparative perspective.

Develop the key elements of the Ronda Declaration on citizen participation.

## Methodology

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Conferences and round tables

## Collaborates

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### Financed



Excma. Diputación Provincial de Málaga

### Collaborates



Ayuntamiento de Ronda



ICSW

International Council on Social Welfare

## Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible

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Esta actividad impacta en los siguientes Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible:

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Y BIENESTAR**



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