



Call for Abstracts

Early Career Workshop on Comparative Social and Public Policy

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Barcelona

**3rd
Edition**

#COSPPPO



Video 1st Edition

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Deadline: 13th December 2025

We are pleased to invite submissions for the **third edition of the Early Career Workshop on Comparative Social and Public Policy (COSPPo)**, to be held on the **23rd and 24th of April 2026** at Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. The workshop is organised by early career and doctoral researchers from the Institute of Government and Public Policy (IGOP) at UAB.

Submissions:

Please submit your application by completing this [questionnaire](#).

Accepted applicants will be notified by early January. Upon acceptance, **in-site accommodation, lunch and coffee breaks will be covered**.

If you have any questions, please get in contact with us at:

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It aims to bring together scholars researching all aspects of comparative social policy in an international setting. This event offers a unique opportunity for **doctoral and postdoctoral researchers** to critically examine the ongoing **transformation of social citizenship** across diverse contexts. We are particularly interested in contributions that explore how shifting political, economic, and social conditions are reshaping the meaning, scope, and practices of social citizenship.

We invite the **submission of long abstracts (max. 450 words)** that offer methodological, theoretical and/or empirical contributions (both qualitative and quantitative) to the field from a comparative perspective. Proposals may address a wide range of topics across disciplines including poverty and social exclusion, housing, social security, labour market policies, family, health, social care and migration. Cross-national studies are preferred, although single case studies that contribute to our knowledge of wider societal processes are welcome too. The **deadline for submissions is 13th December 2025**.

The workshop is designed to provide researchers with a **supportive and in-depth environment for presenting their work**. Unlike standard conference sessions, each paper will be allocated 50 minutes for presentation and discussion, allowing for detailed feedback by established academics. Selected participants will be required to **submit a full paper by the 3rd of April**.

In this way, we aim to foster collaboration and discussion among doctoral, early career and senior scholars. The workshop will include presentations and collective discussions. **Professor Hannah Zagel, expert in comparative sociology with a focus on social inequality, reproduction, and family relationships across the life course, and the role of policies will deliver a keynote lecture.**