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First edition - Hybrid format (face to face and on-line)

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Conference Open Call

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OPEN CALL for Conference Participation

Dates: 15-16.12.2025

Location: University of Bari, Bari, Italy

Department of Education, Psychology and Communication (FOR.PSI.COM.), University of Bari,
Via Crisanzio 42, Bari, Italy

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Conference Theme

The Conference explores the Ageing focus and interdisciplinary perspectives (Sociology, Demography, Economics, Psychology, Education, Physical Exercise and Sport Science, Mental health and intelligent technologies), promoting scientific collaboration across fields and countries.

Language and Location of the Conference: Italian and English

In person: Department of Education, Psychology and Communication (FOR.PSI.COM.), University of Bari, Via Crisanzio 42

Online: Zoom Platform

Posters accepted

Deadline for abstract submission: **December 5, 2025**

Notification on the final conference program: **December 9, 2025**

Deadline for full paper submission (optional): **January 21, 2026**

Participants and speakers: experts, researchers, academic, economic and social stakeholders

The upcoming International Conference on Ageing, Health, and Interdisciplinary Perspectives (within the **FSS Conference Series**) stands as a critical forum dedicated to tackling one of the most pressing global challenges of the 21st century: the profound societal transformation brought about by demographic ageing. This conference is fundamentally designed around an expansive **Ageing focus**, moving beyond simple biological longevity to explore the complex interplay of factors that shape the quality of life, health outcomes, and social integration of older populations worldwide. Its core mission is not merely to present research but to actively promote robust **scientific collaboration** across disparate fields and national borders.

At the heart of the conference's structure is its commitment to **interdisciplinary perspectives**. Ageing is far too complex a phenomenon to be understood through the lens of a single domain; therefore, the event deliberately integrates insights from a broad spectrum of academic disciplines. Scholars focused on **Sociology** explore how changing family structures, community integration, and social roles impact the elderly. Simultaneously, experts in **Demography** provide the critical statistical backbone, projecting future population shifts, dependency ratios, and the resulting pressures on social welfare systems.

The economic implications of an ageing world are addressed by contributors from **Economics**, who analyze labor force participation, pension system sustainability, and the burgeoning silver economy.



Crucially, the conference delves into individual well-being through the lenses of **Psychology** and **Mental Health**. Psychologists investigate cognitive decline, emotional resilience, and the factors contributing to life satisfaction in later years, while mental health specialists focus on prevention and treatment strategies for depression, loneliness, and age-related neurological disorders.

The proactive adaptation to longevity is also a central theme, drawing on the field of **Education**. This focus highlights the importance of lifelong learning, digital literacy, and continuous skill acquisition, ensuring older adults remain engaged, employable, and adaptable citizens. Finally, recognizing the exponential growth of technological solutions, the role of **Intelligent Technologies** is heavily explored. This includes presentations on robotics for home assistance, AI-driven diagnostics, remote monitoring systems, and digital platforms designed to enhance communication and combat isolation.

By uniting these diverse methodologies—from qualitative sociological surveys to quantitative demographic modeling, and from clinical psychological trials to cutting-edge technological development—the conference ensures a **holistic and actionable understanding** of ageing. This deliberate mixing of perspectives is vital; for instance, economic models can be improved by psychological data on retirement motivation, and the effectiveness of intelligent health technologies relies on sociological understanding of adoption barriers.

Ultimately, the conference serves as a vital nexus where researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and innovators connect. By dissolving traditional disciplinary silos, it facilitates the sharing of best practices, the joint development of innovative methodologies, and the establishment of international consortia. This atmosphere of cross-border and cross-field collaboration is essential to translate research findings into concrete policies and scalable solutions that will genuinely enhance the health and dignity of older populations globally. The outcome is not just a collection of papers, but a foundational platform for building a healthier, more equitable, and more supportive future for all ages.

Therefore, international participation is mostly welcomed and appreciated - researchers, PhD candidates and professionals are gladly invited to submit articles that focus on the topics presented.

Participation Basis and Structure of the Conference Sessions

The conference sessions for paper presentations are as follows:

- **AHI Session 1 – Ageing**
- **AHI Session 2 – Contemporary Issues in Sociology and Social Work**
- **AHI Session 3 – Psychology & Behavioural Sciences**
- **AHI Session 4 – LifeStyle**
- **AHI Session 5 – Education & Lifelong Learning**
- **AHI Session 6 – Psychiatry & Mental Health**



- **AHI Session 7 - Cross-Disciplinary & Technology-Human Integration**
- **AHI Session 8 - Physical Exercise and Sport Science**

The Conference sessions welcome papers approaching theoretical studies and empirical research, good practice examples or lessons learnt in practice.

General Guidelines and Paper Format/Publication Norms*

The Conference papers (English language papers only!) shall be published after the venue

Submitted papers shall be included in the following journals/ conference volumes:

1. *Conference volume with International ISBN*. The volume will be sent for indexing to Clarivate Analytics Conference Proceedings Citation Index (former Thomson Reuters - ISI Web of Science).
2. *International Journals on the topics of the Conference*.

Please make sure to respect the following:

- The papers must be unpublished work.
- The abstracts and full papers should be submitted for review in electronic format: MS Word
- Papers are to be submitted in the official language of the Conference, English, containing a title, a short abstract (between 200 and 300 words), six key words as well as a 6 row bio note about the author(s).
- Please provide the full names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the authors, indicating the contact author.
- Please include in the e-mail containing the paper the session topic for which you are submitting the article and also the partner journal in which you want to publish.
- Please double-check spelling, syntax, composition and layout.

Remember: The editorial board reserves the right, upon the double-blind review by the referents, to publish or reject any of the received papers and to suggest changes that may be considered necessary, based on a double-blind peer review procedure.



Please register/send the abstracts and the papers to the following web site or e-mail address:

ahi@fssconference.ro

IMPORTANT: NO FEES REQUESTED FOR REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION!!!

General Guidelines and Paper Presentation

Authors may deliver their work during the conference as a **10-15 minutes oral presentation in presence, video/poster presentation or live presentation on the ZOOM Platform.**

The details for connecting to the ZOOM platform will be provided with the final conference program

For further information you can write e-mail on: ahi@fssconference.ro

Conference webpage:

<https://fssconference.ro/ahi>

Please visit the website periodically for regular updates!

Remember: The AHI scientific board, reserves the right, upon the review by the referents, to accept or reject any of the received papers/abstracts, based on the peer review procedure!

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