El rol de los estudios de población tras la pandemia de COVID-19 y el desafío de la igualdad en América Latina y el Caribe

LATIN AMERICAN POPULATION ASSOCIATION / IX CONFERENCE / CALL FOR PAPERS

Population studies in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic and the challenge of equality in Latin America and the Caribbean

The Latin American Population Association (ALAP) invites researchers, public officials, students, members of civil and international organizations, and all those interested in population studies, to participate in its IX Congress. This year's meeting will be held in virtual mode, from the 9th to the 11th of December 2020.

Call for papers

After its VIII conference, held in Puebla in 2018, ALAP decided to carry out its IX Conference in Valparaíso in 2020. Plans for the Valparaiso meeting were already underway when the COVID-19 pandemic hit the countries of Latin America. In this context, we decided to move the IX Conference to virtual mode, keeping the existing structure and extending the call for papers. We invite researchers to submit the latest works, especially that related to the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts on the region. We hope the ALAP community will make the most of this new experience and we look forward to meeting you face-to-face again at the 10th Congress, scheduled for 2022.

Congress Theme

In February 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic reached Latin America and disrupted the everyday life of every country in our region. While the consequences of this crisis are still uncertain, its negative effects are expected in various dimensions. In addition to the health and mortality effects, the region will likely experience severe social and economic problems associated with the measures taken by most governments as a response to the sanitary crisis. This is one of the central challenges for our region in the short term, given the vulnerability of large fractions of its populations and the extent of social inequalities. The upcoming crisis threatens to setback the progress made in the exercise of multiple rights (reproductive rights, migratory rights, rights of the elderly), as well as improvements in gender equality. Major difficulties are also expected in relation to the implementation of data-gathering operations necessary to understand and act on some of our most pressing problems, in particular the 2020 census round scheduled in many countries of the region. In this context it will be particularly challenging to keep development commitments like those expressed in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development.

The ALAP community is in a privileged position to make an important contribution in these unfavorable circumstances. The diverse disciplines that converge in our community gather the relevant knowledge and toolbox needed to explain the evolution of pandemics, project their trends, and study the effects

it generates, in the intersection between the biological and the social. In fact, the key dimensions in the evolution of the pandemic and its impacts on the population largely overlaps with our areas of research: the age structure of the population; the relationship and interactions between generations, care strategies and residence arrangements; mobility flows; population distribution in the territory; inequality; and the production and use of microdata.

The theme of the IX Conference focuses on the challenge of equality in the context of the pandemic and the upcoming crisis, which reflects the commitment and dedication of ALAP to the study of the determinants and consequences of demographic transformations in Latin America and the Caribbean throughout its history. In 2020, the IX ALAP Conference aims to consolidate its tradition of intergenerational exchange between researchers, promoting comparative analysis with other regions, and rethinking the role of the discipline in the years to come. For this reason, we extend our regular invitation to specialists from other regions.

Relevant dates

September 4	Deadline for full paper or extended abstract submission	
October 9	Notification of acceptance	
October 16	Deadline for registration with discount	
November 6	Deadline for final version of papers	
27 November	Deadline for registration	
December 7 – 8	Pre-events and online courses	
December 9 – 11	IX ALAP Conference	

Themes

- Cities
- Historical Demography
- Aging
- Ethnicity
- Fertility and sexual and reproductive health
- Data sources
- Environment
- Migration and mobility
- Mortality and health
- Marriage and family
- Population and Human Rights
- Population projections and estimates
- Social vulnerability
- Emerging issues
- Impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Latin America and the Caribbean

Instructions for the submission of papers

Extended abstract / full paper

Complete papers (max. 20 pages) or extended abstracts (4 pages) can be uploaded to congresosalap.com until September 4, 2020. In both cases, they must contain the research problem,

objectives, materials and methods, results, and conclusions. Each author will be able to upload up to three papers.

Papers registered in the regular sessions planned before the pandemic may continue to be associated with the same regular sessions. Papers that have not been previously registered will be accepted, both in the sessions already planned and in the topic "Impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Latin America and the Caribbean", incorporated in this new call. In the latter case, the papers may be assigned to regular sessions or summoned to participate in Round or Plenary Tables.

Final version of the paper

Those who wish to send a final version of the paper are welcome to do so until November 6, 2020. Although it is not a mandatory requirement, it is recommended to send the most current and complete version of the paper to participate in the congress and be published in their annals.

Registration cost (values in US dollars)

	Members of ALAP	Non-members
Until October 16		
Students	10	40
Professionals	20	60
Until November 27		
Students	20	60
Professionals	40	120

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