SISEC Early-career Researchers Conference 2025
October 16-17, 2025 - University of Bari Aldo Moro

FOR A JUST TRIPLE TRANSITION. THE COMPLEX INTERTWINING OF ENVIRONMENT, TECHNOLOGY, AND DEMOGRAPHICS

The conference “For a Just Triple Transition. The Complex Intertwining of Environment, Technology, and Demographics” aims to explore the interdependence between ecological, digital, and demographic transitions, contributing to the scientific debate on the 21st century transformations promoted by the Italian Society of Economic Sociology (SISEC).

These interrelated and ever-evolving processes raise conceptual and methodological challenges that question the social sciences ability to analyse the complexity of the dynamics in place. The interplay of demographic changes, environmental transformations and digital innovation calls for critical reflection on the adequacy of the analytical tools at our disposal, as well as the possibility that new perspectives to capture and interpret these intertwined processes may be needed.

Moreover, in an era of growing inequalities, it is crucial to take a coordinated and multidisciplinary approach to identify solutions and strategies for managing ongoing changes in an equitable and sustainable manner. Within these processes, the scientific community plays a crucial role in building knowledge and developing solutions, cooperating with other social actors. The conference, therefore, aims to foster a constructive dialogue between academia, policymakers, and stakeholders through panel discussions, plenaries, and parallel sessions.

The conference promotes an interdisciplinary approach, welcoming contributions from sociology, political science, and economics. Studies, in Italian or English, based on qualitative, quantitative, or mixed methods are encouraged to explore the conference themes from an intersectional, intergenerational, as well as national and international perspective.

The in-person Conference will be held in the Department of Political Science of the University of Bari Aldo Moro, **October 16-17**, **2025**. The call is addressed to non-tenured researchers, including master’s graduates, PhD students and candidates, postdoctoral research fellows, and RTD-A researchers. Participants are invited to submit an abstract in one of following thematic session:

1. Actors and Dynamics of Industrial Relations in the Triple Transition.
2. The Triple Transition and the Future of Welfare.
3. Migration, Economy and Society in the Age of Triple Transition.
4. Public Administration: Subject and Object of the Triple Transition.
5. Rethinking Territory in the Triple Transition: Transformations, Challenges, and Perspectives.

Proposals must be submitted by **June 20, 2025,** via this **link** and should not exceed **500 words**. Contributions acceptance will be communicated by **July 31, 2025**.

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