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## RC28 Spring Meeting 2025: Call for Abstracts

The Research Committee 28 (RC28) on Social Stratification and Mobility of the International Sociological Association (ISA) invites scholars from around the world to contribute to the **2025 RC28 Spring Conference**, to be held from **March 25-27, 2025**, at the **University of Milan**, Department of Social and Political Sciences.

The theme for this year's conference is **“Education, Markets, and Families: The Dynamics of Social Stratification and Inequalities.”** Paper or poster submissions addressing this theme are especially encouraged, though all empirical and theory-driven contributions related to social stratification, social mobility, and inequality are welcome.

The conference offers a stimulating environment for scholars to share their research, engage in discussions, and network with peers from various disciplines. We particularly encourage submissions that bridge gaps between theoretical models and empirical evidence or that propose novel methodological approaches.

### Submission Guidelines

To submit your proposal, please visit the conference website at <https://rc28milan2025.com/> (currently under development). You are expected to prepare and submit a short abstract (maximum 250 words), as well as an **extended abstract** (2-4 pages, up to 1000 words). The abstract should clearly describe the **research question, theoretical framework, data, methods, and main findings** of your study. Including key figures or tables is optional but recommended to enhance the clarity of your submission.

Please also provide **up to 5 keywords**, specify the **preferred format** (oral or poster presentation), and select a **conference stream** that best fits your work. Submissions are limited to **one paper per presenter**, though you may co-author multiple papers.

Please note that **all presenting authors** must be registered as **ISA RC28 members** at the time of the conference. You can become a member by registering through the **ISA website** or during the conference registration process via the **conference portal**.

### Important Dates

- **Abstract submission opens:** October 4, 2024
- **Abstract submission deadline:** November 7, 2024
- **Notice of acceptance:** December 15, 2024
- **Registration opens (tentative program available):** December 15, 2024
- **Early bird registration deadline:** January 15, 2025

- **Regular registration deadline (for speakers):** February 15, 2025
- **Late registration deadline (not for speakers):** March 15, 2025
- **Full program announcement:** March 1, 2025

## Review Process

All submissions will undergo **peer review** by the conference's **Scientific Committee**. Authors will be informed of the committee's decision by **December 15, 2024**. Accepted abstracts will be organized into thematic sessions to ensure more focused discussions.

## Presentation Formats

- **Oral Presentations:** Each presenter will have approximately 15 minutes, followed by a discussion.
- **Poster Presentations:** A dedicated poster session will offer the opportunity for one-on-one discussions with other scholars.

## Conference Streams

We invite contributions to the following thematic streams, which reflect the key areas of interest for RC28:

1. **Social Mobility and the Intergenerational Transmission of Status**
2. **Education and Social Stratification**
3. **Occupations, Labor Markets, Incomes**
4. **Family, Fertility, and Social Stratification**
5. **Poverty, Social Policy and Welfare States**
6. **Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity**
7. **Methodological Advances in Stratification Research**
8. **Social Stratification of Attitudes and Behavior**

## Travel Awards

The RC28 is committed to supporting junior scholars and scholars with limited economic resources by providing **Travel Awards** to help subsidize their participation in RC28 conferences. These awards are designed to recognize **outstanding scholarship** in the field of social stratification and to assist those who might otherwise face challenges in attending.

To be eligible for a Travel Award, applicants must be **RC28 student members** or members facing **special needs**. Applicants are required to submit both an **extended abstract** via the regular submission process and a **full paper** for consideration for the award. The full paper should demonstrate **academic excellence** and **contribution to the field**.

In addition to the regular abstract submission, scholars interested in competing for the Travel Award must email their full paper to the conference organizers at [rc28unimi@gmail.com](mailto:rc28unimi@gmail.com) by the deadline below.

- **Deadline for applying for travel awards (full paper submission):** January 1, 2025
- **Notification of travel award decisions:** January 15, 2025

Decisions regarding Travel Awards will be based on the **quality of the submitted paper** and will be made by the **RC28 Travel Award Committee**.

### **Additional Information**

For more information, please visit the conference website, which will be regularly updated with news and resources, including information on travel, accommodation, and detailed session descriptions. If you have any questions or need further assistance, feel free to contact the organizing committee at [rc28unimi@gmail.com](mailto:rc28unimi@gmail.com).

We look forward to your participation in what promises to be a stimulating and enriching event in Milan!