

SUPSI

Call for Papers

Oikonomia – Relationships, Care, and the Economy International Workshop

January 12, 2026, 10:00–18:00 (followed by a social dinner)

Venue: University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland - Manno, Stabile
Piazzetta Via Violino 11, 6928 Manno, Switzerland

Max participants: 50. **Fee:** Free

Deadline: November 15, 2025

Notifications: November 30, 2025

Language: English.

The Department of Business Economics, Health and Social Care (DEASS) at SUPSI invites submissions for the interdisciplinary workshop “Oikonomia – Relationships, Care, and the Economy.” The workshop explores the intersections between care practices, social relationships, demographic dynamics, and economic life, fostering dialogue across economics, demography, sociology, philosophy, psychology, political science, anthropology, and allied fields.

The program features **two keynote lectures**, **two Flash Talk sessions (15' each)**, and **two Poster Sessions**, plus a **social dinner**.

Tentative Program

- **09:30–10:00** Registration & welcome coffee
- **10:00–10:15** Opening remarks
- **10:15–11:15** Keynote lecture: Time-Use Data and Gender Equality: What We've Learned and Where We Go Next ([Mann-Yee Kan](#) - University of Oxford)
- **11:15–12:45** Flash Talks Session I
- **12:45–13:30** Light lunch offered
- **13:30–14:15** Poster Session I
- **14:15–15:45** Flash Talks Session II
- **15:45–16:15** Coffee break
- **16:15–17:00** Poster Session II
- **17:00–18:00** Keynote lecture: Understanding the intersection of informal caregiving for older people and paid employment among later-career adults in Switzerland: a gendered, life course perspective ([Laurie Corna](#) - SUPSI)
- **19:30** Social dinner (offered)

Submission Tracks & Requirements

Track A – Poster Presentation

- **Requirements:** Abstract (max **300 words**).

Track B – Flash Talk (15 minutes)

- **Requirements:** **Extended abstract (800–1,200 words) or full paper.**

How to submit: Email your PDF to valentina.rotondi@supsi.ch with subject “**CFP Oikonomia Workshop – Poster**” or “**... – Flash Talk.**” Include: title, authors & affiliations, contact author, keywords (3–5), preferred track, and 1–2 topic areas from the list below.

Topics of Interest (non-exhaustive)

- Care as the invisible infrastructure of the economy
- Social relationships, cooperation, and relational goods
- Fertility and family formation, union dynamics, aging and intergenerational transfers, population health and well-being
- Parenthood and parenting
- Narratives of care and public policy
- Time allocation, well-being, and interdependence

Review & Selection

Submissions are reviewed for **fit, clarity, rigor/innovation**, and **potential for cross-disciplinary dialogue**. Oral slots are limited (**10 Flash Talks** total). At equal quality, we may prioritize diversity of topics, methods, and demographic perspectives.

Practical info: Participation is free (max 50 attendees). Details on logistics (travel, accommodation, and dinner RSVP) will follow upon acceptance.

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