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**Zürich Population
Research Conference 2027**

Call for Abstracts



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New Challenges and Solutions in Population Research

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The University of Zürich's Population Research Center (UZH PRC) invites submissions for the 2nd Zurich Population Research Conference, which will take place on February 1–2, 2027.

Population research is undergoing rapid societal, technological, and methodological change. From digital data and AI to ethical concerns, participation gaps, and global demographic shifts, researchers must continuously adapt. This conference offers a platform to discuss key challenges and innovative responses.

We welcome contributions on migration and mobility, health inequalities and mental health, climate and environmental change, and life course research, as well as methodological and cross-cutting topics including AI and machine learning, digital data collection, hard-to-reach populations, survey fatigue, ethics and data governance, transparency and reproducibility, participatory approaches, and related issues.

The conference is interdisciplinary and welcomes empirical, theoretical, methodological, and policy-oriented research from all fields studying populations.

Keynote Speakers

- Elisabeth Tilley (ETH Zürich)
- Andrew Kambugu (Makerere University)

Conference Format

The conference will take place in person on February 1–2, 2027, at the University of Zürich City Campus. The program will feature keynote lectures, a plenary session, thematic panels, a poster session, and networking opportunities throughout.

The conference aims to foster interdisciplinary exchange, collaboration, and learning across population-focused disciplines.

Submission Guidelines

We welcome submissions for oral and poster presentations.

Oral presentations

Please submit a title and an abstract of up to 300 words. Accepted contributions will be presented in thematic panel sessions (approx. 12 minutes plus Q&A). Full papers are not required. To ensure broad participation, only one submission per presenting author is allowed.

Poster presentations

Poster abstracts follow the same format and word limit (300 words). Posters will be presented in a dedicated session and introduced through a short flash talk (2–3 minutes).

All submissions will be reviewed by the conference committee based on relevance, methodological rigor, originality, and contribution to the conference theme. Outstanding contributions will be recognized with Best Oral Presentation and Best Poster Prizes.

Registration Information

Conference fees:

- CHF 100 (regular participants)
- CHF 50 (PhD/MA/BA students)

The fee covers access to all sessions, coffee breaks, and lunch. The conference dinner is optional and costs an additional CHF 40.

Important Dates

- May 18, 2026 – Call for abstracts opens
- July 5, 2026 – Deadline for abstract submissions (no extension)
- September 1, 2026 – Notification of acceptance
- December 13, 2026 – Registration deadline
- February 1–2, 2027 – Conference dates