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International Population Conference

IPC2021 Call for Papers

The Call for Papers for IPC2021 is now open. Authors can submit abstracts up **until 15 May 2021**. This article provides tips to prepare your submission, explaining how organizers will create sessions and why it is critical to select the right keywords.

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Sponsorships and Research Leader Sessions

IPC 2021 presents a unique opportunity for organizations to showcase their services and products and inform and engage with a global audience. The sponsorship package includes “Research Leader Sessions” in which institutions can raise awareness of their organization's work in the population field.

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IUSSP elections

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IUSSP awards

Call for 2021 IUSSP–Mattei Dogan Award nominations

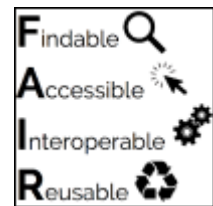
This Award honours a scientist of high international renown for the contribution of his or her work to the development of studies of population that draw on the perspectives of different disciplines and for the importance that this work has accorded to international comparisons. Deadline for Nominations: 15 September 2021. ([Read more](#))



IUSSP Panels

New Panel with CODATA on FAIR vocabularies

To support the growing movement to make data “Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable” (FAIR), the IUSSP Council has approved a new Panel, which will be a joint initiative with the International Science Council’s Committee on Data (CODATA). The Panel is co-chaired by George Alter (University of Michigan), Arofan Gregory (DDI Alliance) and Steven McEachern (ANU and DDI Alliance). ([Read more](#))



Urban Family Planning

Updates on the Urban FP Fellowship Project

The Panel on Family Planning, Fertility and Urban Development is pleased with the Urban Family Planning fellows' progress. All four members of the first cohort have published (or are in the process of publishing) their studies results. Despite some delays caused by the COVID pandemic, the second cohort of 11 fellows has also begun their work. ([Read more](#))



IUSSP Webinar Series

Upcoming webinars include:

FP Research under COVID-19

Register in advance to attend the IUSSP webinar on “Family Planning Research under the COVID-19 Pandemic: How is it going and what are we finding?” on **23 March** at 15:00 UTC. Tanmay Mahapatra, Anita Raj, Mohan Ghule, Modupe Taiwo, Dinah Amongin, Anoop Khanna, Danish Ahmad and Georges Guiella will share findings from experiences on collecting data under the pandemic. Priya Nanda will moderate this webinar. ([Read more](#))

Population, Food and the Environment

Register in advance to attend the joint IUSSP-PAA webinar on Population, Food and the Environment on **9 April**. The webinar's starting point is the outcome of a bet on food prices made ten years ago between panellists David Lam and Stan Becker. Leiwen Jiang will moderate the webinar, which includes speakers Shirley Mustafa, John Bongaarts, and Raya Muttarak. ([Read more](#))

News from the members

Members' new publications

- *Production of a Vital Statistics Report: Guide (Revision 1)*, 15 contributors, including: Helge Brunborg, Petra Nahmias, Tim Adair, Philip Setel, Farnaz Malik

([Read summaries](#))

New IUSSP members

Seventeen new members and 27 new Student Associates joined the IUSSP between 1 December 2020 and 1 March 2021. ([See list](#))

Honour-based discount on membership dues

Aware of the particular difficulties created by the Covid-19 pandemic, the Council decided that members who have difficulty paying the full rate of their membership dues will now have the option to pay a special 2021 Covid-19 reduced rate of Euro 25 for one year of membership. We trust that those who can afford it will continue to pay the regular fees.

In memory

- **Anatole Vichnevski** (1935-2021)

Anatole Vichnevski passed away on 15 January from Covid-19. Until this terrible pandemic struck him down, he had continued his exceptional career of demographic research as head of the Institute of Demography at the Higher School of Economics (Moscow).



- **Parameswara Krishnan** (1936-2021)

Parameswara Krishnan passed away on 17 February 2021 in Kerala, India where he was born 84 years earlier. Most of his career is associated with the University of Alberta (Canada), where he taught from 1974 to 1998.



Regional population associations

PAA 2021 annual meeting

The Population Association of America (PAA) 2021 Annual Meeting will be organized entirely as a virtual conference on 5-8 May 2021. For more information on the programme and the registration fees, [visit the PAA website](#).



EAPS Events

On 20 May 2021, the EAPS PhD Network is organizing an online event for PhD students (+1 year). On 20-22 September 2021, the EAPS Health, Morbidity and Mortality Working Group is planning a meeting in Prague with a call for papers on "New Challenges: New Issues". Deadline: 28 May 2021.

([Read more](#))



News from ALAP

UNFPA & ALAP published a new book (in Spanish): *The implementation of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean: progress and challenges*. ALAP's journal, *la Revista Latinoamericana de Población (RELAP)*, has issued a call for papers in Spanish, Portuguese, and English.



5th APA virtual conference

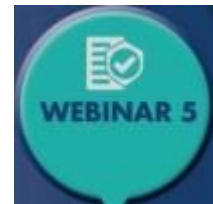
The Asian Population Association will hold its 5th APA Conference as a 3-day virtual conference on 20-22 July 2021. It will include live sessions, pre-recorded video sessions, and poster sessions. For more information, [visit the APA website](#).



Other announcements

Demography and COVID-19 in Africa

The Government of South Africa and AFIDEP co-hosted a very successful Webinar Series titled 'Demography and COVID-19 in Africa – Evidence and Policy Responses to Safeguard the Demographic Dividend' from 21 October to 2 December 2020. Visit the resource page, which includes recordings of all five webinars, the series report, and related infographics. ([Learn more](#))



5th Prof. John Caldwell Memorial Lecture

The Fifth Prof. John Caldwell Memorial Lecture of the Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health (IASSH) was held on 18 December 2020. Prof. Tim Dyson of the London School of Economics delivered the lecture on the theme- "India's population and health through the ages". [Watch the recording](#). ([Read more](#))



Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI)

The Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI), the world's largest longitudinal ageing survey, released its wave one report and data set in Jan. 2021. LASI is a collaborative venture of the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Harvard School of Public Health and University of Southern California (USC). It interviewed 72,000 individuals across India covering the socio-economic and health dimensions of India's growing elderly population. ([Click for Data Request Form](#)). ([Read more](#))



University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

The Department of Demography of the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka is organizing several events, including World Population Day Celebrations on 11 July 2021. For more information about these events and the programmes taught at the University of Colombo, [read more...](#)



N-IUSSP

Recent articles



- COVID-19 pandemic: demographic highlights, Joseph Chamie
- Grandparents looking after grandchildren in England, Giorgio Di Gessa, Paola Zaninotto, Karen Glaser
- Are demographic indicators really converging in post transitional countries? Maria Castiglioni, Gianpiero Dalla Zuanna, Letizia Tanturri
- Trends in age at menarche in low- and middle-income countries, Tiziana Leone, Laura Brown
- From deprivation to neonatal and post-neonatal mortality in Bolivia, Filippo Temporin
- Religion as a moderating factor in the education-fertility relationship, Nitzan Peri-Rotem
- Internet: a tool for promoting contraceptive uptake in sub-Saharan African countries, Veronica Toffolutti, Hai Ma, Giulia Menichelli, Ester Berlot, Letizia Mencarini, Arnstein Aassve
- U.S. immigrant men's earning trajectories vary by country of origin, Leafia Ye, Michal Engelman
- Strong combined impact of smoking, obesity, and alcohol on survival improvements in Europe, Fanny Janssen, Sergi Trias-Llimós, Anton Kunst
- Health at older ages: childless adults not always worse off than parents, Nekehia T. Quashie, Bruno Arpino, Radoslaw Antczak, Christine A. Mair
- Women's employment 1996-2016: US vs Europe, Jennifer L. Hook, Eunjeong Paek

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Calls

Calls for Papers

- Handbook on Feminist Approaches to Women's Violence. Editors: Stacy Banwell, Lynsey Black, Dawn Cecil, Yanyi Djamba, Sitawa Kimuna, Emma Milne, Lizzie Seal, Eric Tenkorang. Deadline for submissions: 31 March 2021
 - Call for Sessions, SciDataCon part of International Data Week, organized by Codata. Seoul, Korea, 8–11 November 2021. Deadline for submissions: 31 March 2021
 - Quetelet Seminar. Invisibilities and Uncertainties in Population Sciences. Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 27-29 October 2021. Deadline for submissions: 8 May 2021
 - 2021 International Population Conference (IPC2021), Online & Hyderabad, India, 5 to 10 Dec 2021. Deadline for submissions: 15 May 2021
 - Workshop on pensions and ageing. Paris, France, 7-8 October 2021. Deadline for submissions: 23 May 2021
 - EAPS Health, Morbidity and Mortality Working Group call for papers on "New Challenges: New Issues". Prague, Czech Republic, 20-22 September 2021. Deadline for submissions: 28 May 2021.
 - Gendering Green Criminology. Deadline for submissions: 31 May 2021
 - Pandemic Babies? The Covid-19 Pandemic and Its Impact on Fertility and Family Dynamics. 13-14 December 2021. (MPIDR) Harnack House, Berlin, Germany. Deadline for submissions: 1 August 2021
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Job opportunities

Jobs/Fellowships

- Data Scientist. LABFAM University of Warsaw, Poland. Deadline for Applications: 1 April 2021
 - Research Fellow or Assistant Professor (RAMMPS). Deadline for Applications: 7 April 2021
 - Assistant Professor. LABFAM University of Warsaw, Poland. Deadline for Applications: 30 April 2021
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Doctoral / Post-Doctoral Positions

- Wellcome. International Master's Fellowships. Deadline for applications: 13 April 2021
 - PhD scholarships University of Groningen. Deadline for applications: 2 May 2021
 - New Master Programme on "Global Demography". Department of Demography at the University of Vienna. Deadline for applications: 3 May 2021
 - 3 doctoral students on three-year contracts. INED, Paris, France. Deadline for applications: 28 May 2021
 - Postdoc Fellow. National University of Singapore for Research Project on Southeast Asian Family Dynamic Study. Deadline for applications: 31 October 2021
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Training Courses or Workshops

- Four-week course in R. Barcelona Summer School of Demography (BSSD). Deadline for applications: 31 March 2021
 - European University Institute. 17th Migration Summer School, 'Migration and the Pandemic: Taking Stock and Thinking Ahead'. 28 June–9 July 2021. Deadline for applications: 15 April 2021
 - European Doctoral School of Demography (EDSD) 2021/2022. Deadline for applications: 15 April 2021
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Calendar

Forthcoming IUSSP meetings & other events

- Berlin Demography Days 2021. Online, 22 to 24 March 2021
- **IUSSP webinar on “Family Planning Research under the COVID-19 Pandemic: How is it going and what are we finding?”, 23 March 2021**
- Training Workshop: How to Use Data to Build Back Better Post-COVID-19, organized by Apolitical. Online, 24 March 2021
- Introduction to Population Grids and their Integration with Remote Sensing Data for Sustainable Development and Disaster Management. Online, 30 March to 6 April 2021
- **Joint IUSSP-PAA webinar on Population, Food and the Environment, 9 April 2021**
- 2021 PAA Annual Meeting. Online, 5 to 8 May 2021
- PERN Cyberseminar on Refugee and internally displaced populations, environmental impacts and climate risks, 10-18 May 2021
- **IUSSP virtual workshop on methodologies for measuring pregnancy intention and unintended pregnancy and birth, 13-14 May 2021**
- ASMDA2021 International Conference and Demographics 2021 Workshop, Athens, Greece, 1 to 4 June 2021
- 5th Asian Population Association Conference. Online, 20 to 22 July 2021

- EAPS Health, Morbidity and Mortality Working Group meeting. Prague, Czech Republic, 20-22 September 2021
 - **IUSSP Seminar on Unintended pregnancy and key outcomes—abortion and unplanned births, New Delhi, India, tentatively postponed to Spring 2022**
 - Quetelet Seminar. Invisibilities and Uncertainties in Population Sciences. Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 27-29 October 2021
 - Sixth International Conference on Family Planning. Pattaya City, Thailand, 8 to 11 November 2021
 - SciDataCon part of International Data Week, organized by Codata. Seoul, Korea, 8–11 November 2021
 - **2021 International Population Conference (IPC2021), Online & Hyderabad, India, 5 to 10 December 2021**
 - Pandemic Babies? The Covid-19 Pandemic and Its Impact on Fertility and Family Dynamics. Berlin, Germany, 13-14 December 2021
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Submit your announcements

Feel free to share news from your institution and region so that we can keep all IUSSP members informed about recent or forthcoming events and opportunities in the population field. IUSSP members are welcome to submit information on conferences, job openings, post-doctoral positions, and research grants for inclusion in the newsletter and IUSSP website. Please send the information to contact@iussp.org and remember to include important dates for application deadlines (and photos when appropriate). You should send information by email or in a Word document (so it can be edited if needed). For inclusion in the next Bulletin, please send information by 1 June 2021. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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IPC2021 Call for Papers Tips

The IUSSP International Population Conference 2021 (IPC 2021) is a general population conference where research in all relevant areas and a wide range of disciplines is welcome. The organizers will create the scientific programme mainly from abstracts submitted to the **Call for Papers**. The Call is now open, and you should submit your abstract on or before **15 May 2021** deadline. Note that you can submit **no more than 2 abstracts!**

Before submitting, you will want to prepare in advance the following required information:

- Full title, short abstract (200 words), extended abstract (2-4 pages).
- Most appropriate conference theme ([see list](#)).
- Optimal set of keywords ([see list](#)).
- Authors and co-authors' up-to-date affiliation and email.

Conference Themes

There are 25 substantive conference themes: select the theme that is closest to your presentation topic. If you wish to present your paper in one of the in-person India Day sessions in Hyderabad, select "**India Day**" from the list of themes.

Keywords for reviewers

Two anonymous reviewers will review every submission. To ensure that your abstract's reviewer has expertise in your field of study and is familiar with the methodologies used for your research, you should select **appropriate keywords**. Choosing several keywords will ensure that reviewers have expertise and interest in your papers' topic.

COVID-19

The pandemic and its impacts is a cross-cutting theme of the conference. Abstracts relating to any aspect of the pandemic are encouraged. Please submit the abstract to the most appropriate conference theme and then select "COVID-19" as one of the keywords.

Time zones

Accommodating presenters' different time-zones is a challenge. In the submission form, you should indicate the time-zone where you will be at the time of your presentation in December. If your presentation is selected, you will need to make yourself available for your session anytime between 08:00 and 20:00 hrs in your local time. You will also have the option to add earlier or later time slots, which will help organizers create interregional sessions across different time zones..

Recorded presentations

All presenters for IPC 2021 should pre-record their presentation. The IUSSP PopPov virtual conference's experience demonstrated numerous benefits and no downsides. Sessions have fewer disruptions caused by internet connectivity. Presentations stay within time limits and are of better

quality. As an added benefit, presenters are more relaxed and engaged in the session; they can even answer written Q&As during their presentation. Pre-recording a presentation also makes it easier to participate in a later or earlier time slot. **The discussion and Q&A will be live**, and a recording of the entire session (including the discussion) will be available on-demand for round-the-clock viewing.

Theme Conveners will build coherent sessions based on submission reviews, and the timeslots presenters indicate they are available to present.

Sessions, Flash Sessions, Poster Sessions

Most sessions will have four presentations of 12 minutes each, followed by discussion. For some topics, Conveners may create Flash sessions with more (6 or 7) shorter presentations to provide a broader range of perspectives. Poster sessions will include a pre-recorded 3-minute pitch-presentation for each poster.

Poster authors will also have an assigned time slot to respond to questions by live-chat or video. Each theme will have a Poster session that includes highly-rated abstracts that conveners could not fit in an oral session and abstracts whose authors selected the "poster only" format.

We look forward to your submissions by **15 May 2021**. You will be notified by 15 September 2021 if your paper or poster is selected.

Abstract submissions step by step:

To submit an abstract, you will need to complete 6 steps:

- (1) enter a title** (Sentence case: no CAPS except for first word and proper nouns.)
- (2) add co-authors** (If they are already in the database, please check their institutional affiliation and email. If they need updating, ask your co-authors to correct them on the website. — If you do not intend to present the paper yourself, please select the presenting author.)
- (3) specify the presenting author's time zone** (You can add additional time slots.)
- (4) enter an abstract** (200 words max - copy-paste.)
- (5) select your theme and up to 4 keywords.** (Check the lists beforehand. Check "Poster only" if you want to be considered only for a poster session.)
- (6) upload your extended abstract (2-4 pages)** (PDF or Word, 4Mb max. Do not submit a full paper.)

All authors must submit abstracts online at <http://ipc2021.popconf.org>.



IPC2021 Conference Hubs: how to boost participation and networking opportunities

IPC2021 will be a hybrid conference, with a small number of in-person sessions in Hyderabad, India, while most of the scientific program will be virtual.

While many of you would prefer to attend an in-person conference to share and discuss your work and meet with colleagues, this will not be possible for most participants at this conference. However, we are working very hard to create opportunities during IPC2021 for participants to interact and network with colleagues worldwide. In large part, this will be done through informal virtual meeting opportunities immediately after the regular sessions where participants can continue discussions, catch up and chat with colleagues, or start new conversations.

IPC2021 Conference Hubs are another way to promote networking and in-person discussion around the conference. What are these Hubs and how do they work? Hubs take advantage of the video conferencing facilities that research institutes, universities, private companies, and hotels already have to facilitate online teaching and virtual meetings. Does your institution have a meeting room or classroom equipped with an internet connection, video screen and camera, and can install Zoom? If so, you can transform it into an IPC2021 Conference Hub! The meeting room then connects to the IPC2021 platform with a user log-in created by registering as a participant. Once you log in the room to the virtual conference platform, your IPC 2021 Hub is active, and you can invite a room of students or colleagues to view a live session and participate in Q&A, or watch earlier sessions as an on-demand video.

Note that each room can follow only one IPC2021 video channel or session stream at a time. All those joining the conference from a Hub Room need to agree on the session to join (similar to a Sports Bar, where customers need to decide whether to watch a soccer match or a baseball game...). If an organization has several equipped rooms, several sessions can be followed simultaneously, creating a local mini-conference!

The number of participants in a Hub Room depends on local conditions and (COVID-19) regulations. IPC2021 registered participants can join the Q&A or Chat from a phone or laptop when logged in to the conference platform. Those who have not registered for IPC2021 can ask a room monitor in charge of the video connection to add their question to the discussion. After the virtual session has finished, Hub participants can continue to discuss or organize other networking activities among themselves.

Hubs can also work for presenters. All presentations for IPC2021 will be pre-recorded and played during the session, with authors responding to the Q&A and discussion live. Presenting authors can join the session either from the Hub Room through a live video stream or from their laptop. And of course, after the session is over, you can continue the discussion in person with the author or authors present in your meeting room. Hubs create a space that can recreate the

interaction and networking of an in-person conference at your institution and enable you to share the scientific content and discussions of the IPC2021 with colleagues and students. Hubs are a great way to promote networking and make participation in IPC2021 more interactive and lively!

Organization and funding of an IPC2021 Hub:

As IPC2021 organizers and the IUSSP Secretariat will be very busy with the conference organization, Hubs will have to be locally organized and funded, possibly with local sponsors' support. We hope that regional and national population associations and organizations such as UNFPA offices and regional training institutions will play an active role in setting up Hubs to help make IPC2021 a wholly "networked conference". To the extent possible, the IUSSP will provide additional technical information and (online) training for potential Hub organizers on-demand, so please notify us at ipc2021@iussp.org if you are interested in becoming an IPC2021 Hub.

March 2021

Nominations for 2021 Council elections

Elections for IUSSP Officers and Council members for 2022-2025 will take place from 15 September to 31 October 2021. Following the procedure outlined in article 10 of the **IUSSP Constitution**, the Committee on Nominations has prepared the first list of candidates.

Candidates proposed by the Committee on Nominations for the 2022-2025 Council:

Vice President <i>(President Elect 2026-29)</i> (1 seat, two nominees)	Jane Falkingham (United Kingdom)	Laura Rodriguez Wong (Peru)
Secretary-General and Treasurer (1 seat, two nominees)	Nico van Nimwegen (Netherlands)	Rebecca Sear (United Kingdom)
Council member for Africa (1 seat, two nominees)	Nkechi Owoo (Ghana)	Ndola Prata (Angola)
Council member for Asia and Oceania (1 seat, two nominees)	Edith Gray (Australia)	Leiwen Jiang (China)
Council member for Europe (1 seat, two nominees)	Agnieszka Chłoń-Domińczak (Poland)	Albert Esteve (Spain)
Council member for Latin-America (1 seat, two nominees)	Irene Casique (Mexico)	Marcela Cerrutti (Argentina)
Council member for North-America (1 seat, two nominees)	Samuel Clark (United States)	Ann Moore (United States)
Council Member at large (4 seats, 8 nominees)		
Mohammad Jalal Abbasi-Shavazi (Iran Isl. Rep.)	Akanni Akinyemi (Nigeria)	
Aris Ananta (Indonesia)	Shelley Clark (Canada)	
Géraldine Duthé (France)	George Guiella (Burkina Faso)	
Ignacio Pardo (Uruguay)	John Santelli (United States)	

– Read the [Committee on Nominations’ report](#) –

Members can make additional nominations of IUSSP members for the 2021 Council Elections.

Deadline for additional nominations: 15 June 2021.

- Additional nominations must indicate which position the candidate is running for and if for a regional slate or Council-member-at-large slate.
- Additional nominations must be seconded by at least fifteen current members of the IUSSP of at least five different citizenships and accompanied by the written acceptance and declared citizenship of the nominated member.

Please send all nomination materials to IUSSP Executive Director Mary Ellen Zuppan (zuppan@iusssp.org) in one email entitled “Election 2021 - Nomination” (followed by the name of the candidate). Support letters can be scanned or attached as Word or PDF files, with electronic signatures.

IUSSP-Mattei Dogan Foundation Award for Comparative Research in Demography

The International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP) and the **Mattei Dogan Foundation** share a common objective: to promote interdisciplinary and comparative international work in the social sciences. In 2004, the Mattei Dogan Foundation and the IUSSP agreed to offer the Award for Comparative Research in Demography.



The Award honours a scientist of high international renown for the contribution of his or her work to the development of studies of population that draw on different disciplines' perspectives and the importance that this work has accorded to international comparisons. The Award is given to a scholar in mid-career to honour work already completed but also to encourage active researchers to continue their research. The Award carries a \$3,500 USD prize. It is granted every four years at the IUSSP International Population Conference, where the IUSSP Council invites the Awardee to lecture on a subject of his or her choice.

The 2017 award was presented to Anne Gauthier during the 28th International Population Conference in Cape Town, South Africa. Previous awardees were Gunnar Andersson (2013), Wolfgang Lutz (2009), and Vladimir Shkolnikov (2005)

Conditions of Eligibility

All IUSSP members nominated following the procedure listed below are eligible except for current IUSSP Council members. No age limit exists, but nominees should ideally be in mid-career.

Nomination Procedure

Candidates must be nominated by IUSSP members; no self-nominations will be accepted. Documentation includes the following:

- A nomination letter signed by at least six (6) IUSSP members of at least three (3) different nationalities.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation by prominent population scientists who did not sign the nomination letter.
- A curriculum vitae that includes a complete list of the nominee's publications.

Nomination documents should be sent in one email to the IUSSP Secretariat by 15 September 2021 and should be addressed to Mary Ellen Zuppan, IUSSP Executive Director (zuppan@iussp.org).

Selection Procedure

A Selection Committee appointed by the IUSSP Council will review the nominations and select the Awardee. The IUSSP will announce the winner in October 2021.

The Award will be presented during the IUSSP 29th International Population Conference in Hyderabad, India and virtually. The Awardee will give a Keynote address during the Conference.

IUSSP-CODATA FAIR Vocabularies Working Group

The IUSSP Council has approved a **Scientific Panel on FAIR Vocabularies for Population Research**, a joint initiative with CODATA, the Committee on Data of the International Science Council. The working group is co-chaired by George Alter (University of Michigan, IUSSP) with Arofan Gregory (DDI Alliance) and Steven McEachern (Australian National University and DDI Alliance) from CODATA.



This Panel responds to the growing movement to make data "Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable" (FAIR). Population research is an empirically focussed field with a long tradition of widely shared, easily accessible data collections. The FAIR Principles point to ways that this tradition can be enhanced by taking advantage of emerging standards and technologies. This Panel will focus on the development of FAIR Vocabularies for population data, which is an essential step in making data reusable and interoperable.

FAIR vocabularies yield benefits when data from different sources must be combined. Consider the most basic variable in demographic analysis: age. OECD has a list of 643 age categories, while the UN Population Division copes with more than 1100 age groups. If the meanings of variables in a dataset are only available through human-readable documentation, like a pdf, harmonizing data from two providers will remain a tedious manual process. However, if the age categories are linked to persistent identifiers in machine actionable metadata, software can be coded to harmonize age groupings. If these operations are performed across dozens of variables in hundreds of data sources, enormous amounts of human time will be saved.

In cooperation with CODATA, this new IUSSP Panel will build upon the work of the FAIR Vocabularies Group, who recently released "**Ten Simple Rules for making a vocabulary FAIR**". Most of their guidance is straightforward, like "Determine the governance arrangements and custodian responsible for the legacy vocabulary." But some steps require specialized expertise in standards like Simple Knowledge Organisation System (SKOS) or the Web Ontology Language (OWL). FAIR vocabularies will also need to be maintained, requiring sustainable institutions with the capacity to maintain necessary technologies. The Panel will be advised by members of the FAIR Vocabularies Group, which is chaired by Simon Cox (CSIRO Australia), and experts from other scientific domains will be invited to evaluate alternative strategies (e.g. centralized versus federated) and software.

The operational goal will be to work with three to five partners in international organizations and academia to convert their existing vocabularies to FAIR principles. The group will give special attention to coordinating with existing initiatives, like the terminology repository supported by Statistical Data and Metadata eXchange (SDMX).

The ultimate goal of this initiative is to make demographic data more interoperable by publishing controlled vocabularies that can be found and acted upon by software. This has the potential to vastly reduce the costs of merging data from multiple sources for researchers seeking to use population data. The Panel will learn where additional technical development is needed and when community involvement through IUSSP and other organizations is beneficial. A two-year work plan is envisioned.

Members interested in learning more about this new initiative or participating in the work of this Panel should contact George Alter (FAIRvocab@iussp.org).

Updates on the Urban Family Planning Fellowship Project.

The Panel on Family Planning, Fertility and Urban development is pleased with the progress of the Urban Family Planning fellows. All four members of the first cohort have published (or are in the process of publishing) the results of their studies. The second cohort of 11 fellows has also begun their work, though with some delays caused by the COVID pandemic.

Recent publications from Cohort 1

Dr. Nkechi Owoo (University of Ghana) and Moses Tetui (Makarere University, Uganda) have completed their research and policy engagement efforts. Dr. Owoo published "**Demographic Considerations and Food Security in Nigeria**" in the *Journal of Social and Economic Development*. Dr. Moses Tetui published "**Geospatial Distribution of Family Planning Services in Kira Municipality, Wakiso District, Uganda**" in the journal *Frontiers in Global Women's Health*. Dr. Tetui is also a co-editor of a forthcoming special issue of that journal on urban family planning.

Dr. Alexandre Delamou (Guinea) plans to continue policy engagement work into 2021 but recently published research results in "**Trends in contraceptive use, unmet need and associated factors of modern contraceptive use among urban adolescents and young women in Guinea**" in *BMC Public Health*.

Dr Pierre Akilimali, who will be finishing in 2021, has been promoted to head of Performance Monitoring for Action (PMA) in DRC. He was recently featured in "**The Surprising Challenge to Remote Training Success in DRC**". The article recounts his successful implementation of remote training for enumerators working for PMA as they seek ways to work around restrictions due to COVID-19. His promotion to head PMA has enabled him to incorporate his urban FP study results into briefings with Ministry officials on PMA.

This first cohort has provided the project with numerous lessons to improve the experience of Cohort 2. For example, guidance about publications has been offered, and the Scientific Advisory Panel assists with reviewing draft articles based on fellows' research. The training on "policy tracking" has been more explicit. The African Population Health Research Center (APHRC) provided training on aspects of policy engagement (stakeholder mapping, writing policy briefs, working with media) to Cohort 2 much earlier than Cohort 1 (see below).

Cohort 2

Eleven fellows are now included in Cohort 2 (one of the original 12 was unable to accept the fellowship because of a change in employment). Their study titles/cities are listed below and their bios and study abstracts are available in [English](#) and [French](#).

1. Dr Sunday Adedini, Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Nigeria: Family planning and urban development in Nigeria: exploring the policy and programmatic gaps (Ibadan and Kaduna, Nigeria)
2. Dr Nurudeen Alhassan, AFIDEP: Leveraging Family Planning for Sustainable Urbanisation in Malawi (Lilongwe and Mzuzu, Malawi)
3. Dr Adriana Binney, Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS), University of Ghana: Exploring use, non-use and discontinuation of modern contraception among urban youth in Accra, Ghana (Accra, Ghana)

4. Dr Moussa Bougma, Institut Supérieur des Sciences de la Population (ISSP): Stagnation de la fécondité à Ouagadougou : rôle de l'immigration du milieu rural et de la mobilité sociale (Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso)
5. Dr John Ganle, University of Ghana School for Public Health: Identifying and developing low-cost and acceptable family planning interventions and service delivery models for urban slums in Ghana (Agbogbloshie and Old Fadama Slums in Accra)
6. Dr Eliphaz Gitonga Makunyi, Kenyatta University: Family planning among blended Somali Women aged 15 -39 years in Nairobi: Barriers and Inequalities in Nairobi City, Kenya (Nairobi, Kenya)
7. Dr Francis Levira, Ifakara Health Institute (IHI): Impact of HIV-FP service integration on urban fertility among HIV positive women (Dar-es-salaam and Dodoma, Tanzania)
8. Dr Abdoul Nouhou : Barrières d'accès à la planification familiale à Niamey : entre qualité des services et motivations des femmes (Niamey, Niger)
9. Dr Elizabeth Oele, Kisumu County Department of Health: Fertility preferences and contraceptive use among women of reproductive age in an informal settlement, Kisumu, Kenya (Kisumu, Kenya)
10. Dr Ferdinand Okwaro, Aga Kahn University/University of Nairobi: Family Planning and Urban Development in Kenya: Exploring the Policy and Programmatic Gaps and opportunities for intersection (Nairobi, Kenya)
11. Dr Idrissa Ouili, Enseignant-Chercheur, Institut Supérieur des Sciences de la Population (ISSP) de l'Université Ouaga 1 Pr Joseph Ki-Zerbo: Fécondité et pauvreté multidimensionnelle des enfants : disparités intra-urbaines à Ouagadougou (Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso)

Each fellow has been paired with a "research mentor" to assist with technical aspects of their studies and also with an "urban policy partner" from the city who is tasked with helping the fellow ensure that the study results are shared with appropriate people and organizations in the urban sector. Despite the challenges of restrictions due to COVID-19, most of the fellows are making progress with their work; we anticipate that the extension of the project's timeline into 2022 will allow them to complete their research and communication activities.

Policy Communication and Training workshops

COVID-19 has turned upside down plans for bringing together the fellows from both cohorts for policy engagement training and to share and exchange about their research and policy engagement activities. With the excellent efforts of the team at the **African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC)**, however, the policy communications and engagement training is now taking place remotely through a series of monthly online virtual workshops that bring the fellows together. These will continue into the spring of 2021. These will be followed up by one-on-one mentoring.

The fellows recently filled out an anonymous online survey evaluating the training. They especially valued the practically oriented sessions on how to craft a compelling message from one's research, how to do stakeholder mapping and how to track policy. Several fellows indicated they anticipated applying what they had learned in the workshops to other research projects as well as transferring these skills to their students and other researchers. Fellows also valued the orientation to the nature of the policy realm, such as learning how to adapt to a dynamic policy environment. The project is especially grateful to APHRC for successfully adapting the training to a virtual platform and most recently incorporating French translation. The workshops have been video recorded and recordings made available to the fellows for reference or to use with the teams in their home institutions – perhaps one benefit of long-distance work during Covid that would not have been possible with live meeting sessions.

We hope by the end of 2021 and into 2022, fellows of both cohorts will have opportunities to present the results of their work at in-person events, where they can exchange with each other and with those working in urban development and family planning to address the specific challenges of accessing FP in urban areas.

This project is funded by a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to support a 4-year project to produce policy-relevant evidence on the effects of family planning and fertility change on urban welfare. The grant provides fellowships to 15 early-to-mid career researchers in sub-Saharan Africa to conduct research. The project includes mentoring and training activities as well as funds for policy outreach at local, national and international levels. The project's ultimate aim is to raise awareness of the contributions of family planning to sustainable cities among urban planners and policymakers and put family planning on the urban policy agenda where it has been largely absent.

Anatole Vichnevski (1935-2021) (AKA as Anatoly Vishnevsky)

IUSSP member since 1990, **Anatole Vichnevski** died on 15 January, after combatting Covid-19. He would have turned 86 on 1 April. Up to the moment he was struck by this terrible pandemic, he continued his exceptional engagement as director of the Institute of Demography at the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE University -Moscow), one of the best demographic research centres in Russia. His death is an immense loss for Russian demography.



Anatole Vichnevski was born 1 April 1935 in Kharkov, Ukraine, where he completed his university education and became a statistician. After working for the Ukrainian Institute of Statistics in Kiev, he moved to Moscow in the early 1970s. There, he worked for more than ten years at the department of demographic research at the Statistical Institute. He had the opportunity to work closely with many demographers and statisticians who had survived and were witness to Stalin's purges: Boiarski, Uralnis, Kurman, and Sifman. His contacts with them would profoundly mark him. He later testified to this tragic period for Soviet statistics and demography. During perestroika, he reconstituted a history of Russian and Soviet demography that his colleagues Andreev, Darski, Kharkova, and Volkov had long hidden. Both historian and demographer Anatole Vichnevski drew on conversations with these demographers to illuminate this period's social history.

In 1984, he joined the department of demography at the Moscow Sociology Institute, where he rapidly took advantage of the opportunities perestroika provided to create several demographic centres. The Institute of Demography at the National Research University of the Higher School of Economics (the Vychka) was his last creation. Established in 2006, the institute has become an international reference in Russia, cooperating with some of the most important centres for demographic research in Europe and the United States, including the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research in Rostock, the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and the French National Institute for Demographic Research (INED).

Throughout his career, Anatole Vichnevski was a creator. In collaboration with INED, he launched a Russian version of Population and Society, which was later transformed into the electronic journal Demoscope Weekly. He most recently created another scientific review, Демографическое обозрение/Demographic Review.

Anatole Vichnevski was not just a demographer. He was an intellectual in the French sense of the term and a Russian intelligentsia member, as his many writings confirm. He wrote demographic classics such as "The Demographic Revolution", published in 1976 and directed a volume on "The Demographic Modernization of Russia, 1900-2000", which appeared in 2006. His best-known work "The Sickle and the Rouble" was translated into French as "*La faucille et le rouble: la modernisation conservatrice en URSS*" and published by Gallimard in the prestigious collection, "*Bibliothèque des Histoires*". The work remains 20 years after its publication, astonishingly current. His novel, "*Lettre interceptées*", published by Gallimard in 2005, reconstructs a tragic family history based on letters, family memories and interviews. It is a wonderfully written essay on the dramatic history of the USSR.

Anatole Vichnevski was a great friend of France with a passion for French demography. Even before perestroika, he engaged with French demographers when doing so was difficult and risky. He quickly became an essential colleague through his resources, knowledge and experience. He

cultivated a close relationship with INED, French demography, and France in general through his perfect French mastery. He contributed to the early diffusion of the work of Alfred Sauvy. Through the encouragement of Gérard Calot, then director of INED, exchanges occurred regularly, punctuated by visits, internships, seminars and joint conferences. In Moscow, Anatole Vichnevski rejoined the demography department at the Sociology Institute of the USSR National Academy of Sciences. At the time, Leonid Rybakovski directed the department, strongly supporting international relations. However, in the context of perestroika, the department came in opposition to Anatole Vichnevski, who maintained a scientific rigour that was not always convenient for an increasingly politicised Russian science. Anatole Vichnevski initiated many French-Russian collaborative research projects, sending his young colleagues and students to France to organise several projects. Serge Zakharov and Vladimir Shkolnikov, particularly, continue these collaborations, as do Ioulia Florinskaia, Galina Rakhmanova, Elena Dolgikh, and Alexandre Anichkine. These collaborations led to ongoing projects on mortality, the USSR and Russia's population history, and many other questions.

His meeting with Nathan Keyfitz, first in Moscow in 1985 and then shortly afterwards at IASA in Vienna, also deeply marked him.

Anatole Vichnevski was not only a true researcher but also impassioned by science and scientific truth. He did not hesitate to involve himself in public debates, which led to his being attacked numerous times in a Russia experiencing many challenges these last years. He always defended his positions without compromise, holding above all scientific rigour and an attachment to the highest demographic research level. Proof of this lies in the fact that he became an IUSSP member, remaining a member without interruption until his death, affirming his desire to inscribe his work in a scientific approach, even before perestroika, far from political manoeuvres.

Above all, Anatole Vichnevski was a man of great humanity, a friend, always ready to listen, firm in his opinions, but also attentive to others. He transmitted these qualities to his students and colleagues, who accompanied him in the long process that led to his demographic institute's edification. He also shared these qualities with French colleagues he met with every year in Paris and Moscow, where he was always interested in learning the latest demographic developments. He exuded incredible energy, a passion for understanding, and a total engagement in his convictions. He had many enemies in Russia, eager to impose a political doxa on demography, which he refused in the name of science. As both a researcher and a public figure in demand on radio and television, he received immense respect.

We have lost an immense researcher and humanist and a great friend, and a most endearing, fascinating man.



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Parameswara Krishnan (1936 – 2021)

Parameswara Krishnan (Krishnan for short) was born in Kerala, India on 20 November, 1936, the fourth son of Parameswara Iyer and Narayani Ammal. He passed away after a lengthy illness at his brother's residence in Trivandrum, Kerala on 17 February 2021 at the age of 84. He joined the IUSSP in 1974.



Soon after earning his Ph.D. from Cornell University in 1971, Krishnan joined the sociology department at the University of Alberta, Canada. He taught introductory and advanced courses in social statistics, methodology, and demography over a long career. From 1972 to 1975, he directed the Population Research Laboratory at the University of Alberta. In 1974, he founded the Canadian Studies in Population journal and served as its first editor. In the same year, with the late Karol Krotki, he conducted a large-scale fertility survey of Alberta, the Growth of Alberta Families Study. Krishnan was a founding member of the Canadian Population Society, a professional association of Canadian demographers formed in 1975.

Krishnan's scholarly contributions intersect the areas of mathematical sociology, demography and population studies. As editor, co-editor or sole author, he published eight volumes, including, *Mathematical Models of Sociology* (1977); *The Elderly Population in Developed and Developing World: Policies, Problems, and Perspectives* (1992); and more recently, *Glimpses of Indian Historical Demography* (2010). Many of his research papers feature mathematical modeling of social demographic processes and the social demography of India.

Krishnan held visiting assignments at Peking University Population Studies Department; Demography Program at Australian National University; the University of Kerala as a Senior Shastri Fellow; S.V. University, Tirupati, India; and Centro des Estudios Demographicos in Mexico City. He retired from his official duties at the University of Alberta in 1998, but went on to teach at the University of Botswana for a number of years before returning to Kerala.

Parameswara Krishnan was as a dedicated and productive scholar who made important contributions to demography, statistics, and sociology. Above all, he was a fine human being, a supportive and inspirational supervisor to his students and most generous to his colleagues.

All his former colleagues and students are incredibly proud to have had the opportunity to learn and study with him and most of all to know Krishnan as a person.

Frank Trovato
Edmonton, Canada
26 February, 2021

New members and student associates

New members:

Seventeen new members joined the IUSSP between 1 December 2020 and 1 March 2021:

Congo, DR: Valentin Bope. **Dominican Republic:** Julio César Mejía Santana. **Ethiopia:** Muna Ahamd Shifa. **France:** Anne-Sophie Robilliard. **Ghana:** Richmond Atta-Ankomah; Robert Osei. **India:** Preethi K. **Italy:** Livia Elisa Ortensi. **Japan:** Nozomu Inoue. **Nepal:** Bimal Sharma. **Portugal:** Lara Tavares. **Romania:** Mădălina-Elena Manea. **South Africa:** Haajirah Esau; Vimal Ranchhod; Tsholo Setati. **Togo:** Kondo Tokpovi Vénunyé Claude. **United States:** José Pacas.

New Student Associates:

27 new student associates joined the IUSSP between 1 December 2020 and 1 March 2021:

Brazil: Amanda de Almeida; Marina Soares. **Burkina Faso:** Sanou Yaya. **Cameroon:** Otaf Peter. **China:** Haoyue Dong; Jia Wang; Jing Wu. **India:** Abhimanyu Arora; Deepabali Bhattacharjee; Mohai Menul Biswas; Sanjay Pal; Umakanta Sahoo. **Iran:** Reza Teimouri Arshad. **Italy:** Ester Lazzari. **Korea, Rep:** Minha Noh. **Macedonia:** Dijana Spasenoska. **Philippines:** Elias Olapane; Paolo Miguel Vicerra. **Senegal:** Dieynaba Ndour. **Spain:** Carolina Orozco Martínez. **Turkey:** Muserref Erdogan. **United Kingdom:** Saqif Mustafa. **United States:** Sarah Johnson; Jingqiu Ren; Uzaib Saya; Heidi West. **Zimbabwe:** Josphine Hapazari.