

XXIX JORNADAS DE LA ASOCIACIÓN ESPAÑOLA DE PROFESORES DE DERECHO INTERNACIONAL Y RELACIONES INTERNACIONALES

LA COMUNIDAD INTERNACIONAL ANTE EL DESAFÍO DE LOS OBJETIVOS DE DESARROLLO SOSTENIBLE.
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THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY FACING THE CHALLENGE OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS. THE ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Call for Papers

I. AIM OF THE CONFERENCE

Presentation:

The Spanish Association of Teachers of International Law and International Relations (AEPDIRI), in collaboration with Rovira i Virgili University (Tarragona), will hold its next conference from 15 to 17 December 2021 on the theme “The International Community Facing the Challenge of Sustainable Development Goals: The Role of the European Union”.

The programme comprises four sessions of 90 minutes each dedicated to: 1. Planet, 2. People, 3. Prosperity, 4. Peace and Justice, and a roundtable discussion to address the Challenges of Gender Equality (SDG 5).

Thematic subjects for the presentation of papers:

Each session will feature three speakers (20 minutes per paper), and up to three contributions per session will be selected to be presented publicly (5 minutes per contribution).

The themes for interdisciplinary discussion at each session will be related to the SDG and their goals, including responses to the COVID-19 pandemic and the main strategies adopted by the International Community and the European Union in this context. Submissions are invited according to the instructions given below. The suggested paper topics are only illustrative and not exhaustive.

SESSION 1. PLANET: Protecting natural resources and the climate of our Planet for future generations. The European Green Deal. SDG: Climate Action (13), Life Below Water (14), Affordable and Clean Energy (7), Clean Water and Sanitation (6), Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure (9) and Life on Land (15).

Suggested topics for contributions:

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- Increasing the climate goals of the International Community and the EU for 2030 and 2050.
- Supplying clean, affordable and safe energy.
- Building and renovating using energy efficient resources.
- Accelerating change towards sustainable and intelligent mobility.
- Preserving and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity.
- International transport of goods and people (especially maritime transport).
- Improving the conservation and sustainable use of the oceans and its resources, and the application of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.
- The goal of zero pollution for a toxic-free environment.
- Implementing integrated water-resource management at all levels, including through cross-border cooperation.

SESSION 2. PEOPLE: Social Rights, migration, asylum and child protection. SDG: No Poverty (1), Zero Hunger (2), Good Health and Well-Being (3), Quality Education (4), Decent Work and Economic Growth (8) and Reducing Inequality (10).

Suggested topics for contributions:

- Policies and European legislation on migration, asylum and protection of people.
- European Child Guarantee on vulnerable children.
- Protection of minors: identity, parentage, adoption, parental abduction.
- Unaccompanied minors and minors leaving care.
- The right to economic resources, access to basic services, property and the control of land and other assets, heritage, natural resources, new technologies and financial services, including micro-financing.
- Creating employment and reducing poverty.
- Access to education.
- Access to health.

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- Access to housing.
- Eradication of forced labour and other forms of modern slavery, human trafficking, and child labour.
- Promoting a safe, risk-free work environment for all workers, including migrant workers, particularly women migrants and people in precarious employment.

SESSION 3. PROSPERITY: Action Plan on the Circular Economy and on Responsible Consumption and Production. SDG: No Poverty (1), Zero Hunger (2), Decent Work and Economic Growth (8), Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure (9), Sustainable Cities and Communities (11) and Responsible Consumption and Production (12).

Suggested topics for contributions:

- Mobilisation of industry for a clean and circular economy.
- Reinforcing and boosting the role of consumers.
- Collaborative social economy, sustainable platform economy and sustainable tourism.
- New regulation on fertiliser products.
- The EU's strategy on plastics in the circular economy.
- Public procurement and private sustainability.
- Ensuring the sustainability of food production systems and applying resilient farming practices. "From farm to fork" strategy.
- Correcting and preventing restrictions and distortions in the world agribusiness markets.

SESSION 4. PEACE AND JUSTICE: Peaceful and inclusive societies. The EU as a force for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. SDG: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions (16) Partnerships for the Goals (17).

Suggested topics for contributions:

- Good governance, democracy and the Rule of Law.
- Promoting responsible and transparent institutions. Initiatives to combat corruption.
- Human rights and responsible corporate behaviour.

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- Promoting efficient, transparent, independent, open and responsible justice systems, and access to justice for everyone, particularly for the poor and vulnerable.
- Supporting an open and nurturing space for civil society.
- Analysing the links between poverty, fragility conflict and forced displacement.
- Supporting implementation of the 2030 Agenda in developing countries through development cooperation.
- Promoting stronger and more inclusive partnerships with multiple interested parties.
- Development policy coherence for reaching the SDG.
- The EU's Neighbourhood, Development and Cooperation Instrument.

II. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AND ACCEPTANCE

Requirements:

Only one paper per author may be submitted, and only a single author may submit a paper.

Contributions may be presented in English, although no translation service will be provided during the Conference.

Papers should be submitted in a compressed file (zip/rar) containing three documents in Word:

1. Document containing only the following information: title of the paper and the session for which it is intended; full name of the paper's author, the author's university affiliation, academic post, statement as to whether the author is a member of the AEPDIRI.
2. Document containing an abstract of the proposed paper, which should not contain the author's name but only the title of the proposed paper, the session for which it is intended, its area of expertise, its content and 3-5 keywords. Papers should be between 1000 and 1500 words.
3. Brief CV of the paper's author (max. 4 pages).

Submissions that fail to meet these prerequisites will be excluded from consideration.

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Deadline and submission of papers:

Papers may be submitted between **3 May 2021 to 15 July 2021**.

To submit a proposal, you will first need [to register for the Conference](#). Once registered, you will have private access for sending your paper, receipt of which will be confirmed by email. The registration fee can be paid via the secure area of the website, once you have received the decision on whether your paper has been accepted.

Content of the material and review. The [Scientific Committee](#) will review the proposals according to the following criteria:

1. Relevance of the proposed topic to the Session's theme.
2. Quality of the paper's approach.
3. Originality of the paper.

The [Scientific Committee](#) will select up to three papers for oral presentation and up to three alternate papers for oral presentation per session. The Scientific Committee will make its decision by 20 September 2021 at the latest, by email (please ensure that you have supplied a valid email address) and will give the following information:

- a) The selection of papers for oral presentation at the Conference.
- b) The selection of alternate papers not for oral presentation.

The Conference organisation regrets that it is unable to pay for speakers' travel, lodging or Conference registration.

III. PUBLICATION

Acceptance of a paper for oral presentation or as an alternate does not imply acceptance for publication. However, you will need to submit your paper's final draft by the date set in the table of relevant dates, should you wish for it to be reviewed by the Scientific Committee for its publication in the Conference proceedings.

The full text should conform to the REDI (*Revista Española de Derecho Internacional*) style rules (<http://www.revista-redi.es/es/normas-de-estilo/>). It must not exceed 5000

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Submissions for publication should be made **before 2 November 2021**. Decisions on acceptance of papers for inclusion in the Conference proceedings will be made before 31 January 2022.

IV. TABLE OF RELEVANT DATES

Submission of papers:	3 May 2021 to 15 July 2021
Decision on acceptance of papers:	20 September 2021
Deadline for submission of full text:	2 November 2021
Decision on publication:	31 January 2022