



**20<sup>th</sup> European Spring Conference on  
Social Psychology  
Sils-Maria, Switzerland  
March 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Main Organizers:** Antonio Chirumbolo & Richard Slatcher  
**Co-Organizers:** Marino Bonaiuto, Jochen Gebauer, Anja Göritz & Catalina Kopetz

Since 1996, psychologists from all over the world have participated in the *European Spring Conference on Social Psychology*, thanks to the original initiative from Fritz Strack, Arie Kruglanski and Wolfgang Stroebe.

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the 20<sup>th</sup> *European Spring Conference on Social Psychology*, which in 2026 is scheduled from March 8<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) to March 14<sup>th</sup> (Saturday). The conference will be held in Sils-Maria, in the charming Engadin Valley, Switzerland. The purpose of this announcement is to describe the conference and to invite you to apply for attendance. Feel free to distribute this information to interested colleagues. The aim of the conference is to foster exchange of ideas among researchers on a broad range of social psychological and related topics within a setting designed to inspire creativity, collaboration and fresh perspectives. It is our desire to attract participants from all areas of social psychology and related fields rather than feature one specific field.

**Deadline for registration and abstracts: November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

The conference offers high quality talks on cutting edge topics in social psychology (broadly defined). In addition, attendees will have opportunities for informal exchange, and, in their free time, they can engage in outdoor activities such as skiing or hiking. The typical day includes informal exchange from morning to early afternoon, followed by talks from ca. 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. After the talks, participants usually continue their discussions over dinner and by breaking into small groups for subsequent socializing. Each talk will last 35 minutes including questions and discussion. The talks will be at the level of a departmental colloquium. There will be plenty of time to discuss the details of one's research in informal interactions with other conference participants. Participants who present papers are expected to stay for the whole period of the conference in order to engage in informal feedback and reciprocal exchanges.

## Location



**Sils-Maria** is located near St. Moritz, surrounded by spectacular mountain ranges and four extended skiing areas. Although there are runs for all levels of expertise, St. Moritz caters particularly to the intermediate and advanced skier. In addition, cross-country skiing is superb, both on the frozen lakes and in side valleys. Non-skiers may enjoy leisurely walks on groomed paths.

## Accommodation



**The conference** will be held at the **HOTEL EDELWEISS** (<https://www.hotel-edelweiss.ch>), which is in Sils-Maria, not far from St. Moritz. The hotel offers us an attractive package deal that includes breakfast from the buffet, dinner, free Wi-Fi, outdoor car parking, spa and railway pickup.

We were able to secure a special rate for a 6-night package, which is **CHF 1'425.00** per person (single room). The rate includes half-board (i.e., breakfast and dinner each day of the conference). If there are participants which want to prolong their stay, each extra night would cost CHF 237.00 per night/person, including half board.

Once accepted at the conference, participants have to make their room reservations directly with the **HOTEL EDELWEISS**, Via da Marias 63, CH-7514 Sils-Maria, Tel. +41 81 838 42 42, e-mail [info@hotel-edelweiss.ch](mailto:info@hotel-edelweiss.ch) by **referring to “European Spring Conference”**. The hotel has set aside a limited number of single rooms and double rooms. Be sure to make your room reservations as soon as you can. Afterwards, reservations may be made on an “as available” basis.

## Transportation

Sils-Maria is easily accessible by train (spectacular ride!) to St. Moritz (the hotel offers a shuttle from St. Moritz main station; please book in advance). Sils-Maria is also easily accessible by car via Chur, Switzerland (via Julier Pass), via Lecco, Italy (via Maloja Pass) and via Landeck, Austria (via the Inntal valley).

## Registration

Please fill out the enclosed form and return it via email as soon as possible, but no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to [Richard.Slatcher@uga.edu](mailto:Richard.Slatcher@uga.edu) referring in the email subject to **“European Spring Conference - Registration.”** The conference fee is **250 CHF** and should be paid in cash to the organizers on the first day of the conference.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Antonio Chirumbolo ([antonio.chirumbolo@uniroma1.it](mailto:antonio.chirumbolo@uniroma1.it)) and/or Richard Slatcher ([Richard.Slatcher@uga.edu](mailto:Richard.Slatcher@uga.edu)).

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## Registration Form

Please return this form by email, together with an abstract, by **November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025** to:

**Richard Slatcher**  
**Department of Psychology**  
**University of Georgia (USA)**  
email: [Richard.Slatcher@uga.edu](mailto:Richard.Slatcher@uga.edu)

Name: .....

Address: .....

Office phone: ..... Mobile phone: .....

Email address: .....

Please tick here (\_\_\_) if you agree that we put your name, email address and mobile phone on a list to distribute among all attendees of the conference. This has been proven useful in earlier conferences to connect participants and to facilitate exchange. If you use WhatsApp, please be sure to list the mobile number that you use for that app for communication during the conference.

The conference fee of **CHF 250** will be paid in cash to the organizers on the first day of the conference. We will only accept payment in Swiss Francs (CHF).

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Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Abstract (max. 250 words):**



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### **Preliminary Program**

*(Mornings: Informal interactions and exchanges)*

#### **Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**

*Organizational meetings, Welcome gathering*

#### **Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

*Paper session*

#### **Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Paper session*

#### **Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

*Paper session*

#### **Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Paper session*

#### **Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Paper session, Closing session*

#### **Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Departure*