



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Welfare & Policy Conference - CALL FOR PAPER

### Bordeaux, 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> May 2025

We are pleased to invite submissions to the second edition of the **Welfare & Policy Conference** organized by the **Society for research on Welfare and Policy (WAP)** and the **research program HOPE** at the **Bordeaux School of Economics**.

In a troubled world, economics - and social sciences more generally - must provide evidence on what determines behaviors regarding life choices (health, work, care, etc.), voting (and shifts towards conservatism, populism or social protests), economic decisions (consumption, saving, etc.) or pro-environmental attitudes; what affects our well-being, health, mental health, emotions, perceptions and preferences; ultimately, what we should know and do to improve public policies for a better world. For this reason, we invite contributions in various fields of economics, quantitative social psychology and political sciences, and in particular on (but not restricted to):

- Labor and nonmarket time uses, post-Covid trends and the role of labor market policies and family policies
- Determinants of health & mental health, and the role of health and social systems
- Inequalities, their perception and the relation with well-being, political orientation, social unrest...
- New forms of poverty, adaptation and the limits of resilience
- How fiscal and social systems reduce inequality (across people or generations), quickly respond to shocks, or adapt to new inequalities (such as those engendered by climate change or forced migration)
- How shocks change behavior, trust, values..., and consequences for the sustainability of welfare systems
- Social media, the diffusion and manipulation of information, and life with populism
- Negative emotions and the tradeoff between security, freedom & democratic support
- Perception of global warming, green policies and behavioral changes versus inertia, denial, etc.
- Normative work on policy/political transformations aimed at promoting peace, democracy and stability

Keynote speakers: **Andrea Weber** (Central European University, Vienna)  
& **Matthew Sutton** (University of Manchester)

**Submission guideline:** A full paper or an abstract must be sent before **February 1, 2025** to [contact@wapsociety.org](mailto:contact@wapsociety.org) (the name of the pdf file should begin with the corresponding author's last name). We also encourage submissions of **complete sessions** (4 papers) with indication of the name of the corresponding chairperson. Decisions will be communicated by **Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>** and registrations will be opened until **April 15<sup>th</sup>**. More info at: <https://wapsociety.org/event/wap2>

