



Call for Papers
"Empirical analysis of Social Capital and Development in Latin America"
July, 2013
Mexico City

Social capital has been used as a conceptual tool in the social sciences in recent decades; it has been used as an explanatory agent in a variety of dimensions and in different contexts. Disciplines such as economics, psychology, health, education, social security, criminology and anthropology, among others, have developed research on the characteristics and value of social capital.

The Inter-American Conference on Social Security (CISS) and the Universidad Iberoamericana (Ibero) are jointly organizing the conference "Empirical analysis of Social Capital and Development in Latin America". The aim of this conference is to present and socialize empirical research on social capital and its relationship to social development in Latin America using different surveys available in the region that address social capital dimensions. Particular emphasis will be on documents related to Latin America and the Caribbean.

Some of the suggested surveys include the following, although researchers can use any other recent survey that addresses social capital dimensions in the region:

National Survey on Social Capital (ENCAS, by its initials in Spanish) 2011- Stata files
http://www.undp.org.mx/spip.php?page=area_interior&id_rubrique=125&id_article=1482&id_parent=119

National Survey on Social Capital (ENCAS, by its initials in Spanish) 2011-Excel files
http://www.iberoeconomia.mx/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=125&Itemid=6

National Survey on Social Capital in the Urban Regions (ENCASU, by its initials in Spanish) 2006
http://www.undp.org.mx/spip.php?page=area_interior&id_rubrique=125&id_article=1482&id_parent=119

Latinobarometro, Latin American public opinion
<http://www.latinobarometro.org/latino/LATDatos.jsp>

The World Values Surveys
<http://www.wvsevssdb.com/wvs/WVSDData.jsp?Idioma=I>

It is expected that articles registered for the conference will present evidence of research on topics that relates social capital with social development. Some of them are listed here.

Social Capital and:

1. Social security mechanisms.
2. Reduction of crime and/or violence.
3. Social fabric.
4. Quality in education.
5. Employment.
6. Mechanisms for allocating public resources
7. Poverty reduction
8. Inequalities (income, gender, ethnicity, region, etc.)
9. Social cohesion.
10. Food resources supplies.
11. Wellbeing.
12. Health.
13. NGOs.
14. Social mobility.
15. Financial inclusion.
16. Political participation
17. Measurement issues
18. Other related topics.

After a blind peer review, the selected articles will be published in ***Well-Being and Social Policy***, an academic journal jointly coordinated by the CISS / IBERO which is published in English and Spanish. The journal, currently listed on indexes of journals, is widely distributed in the Americas among policy makers, researchers, and students interested in the field. For more information about the journal and its contents, access <http://well-being.ciss.org.mx/>

Based on available funds, organizers will pay airplane tickets in economy class, food, and accommodations during the conference for those authors whose articles are accepted and who consent to publish their work in the journal ***Well-Being and Social Policy*** and do not have other funding. The articles accepted to participate in the conference are not necessarily accepted for publication in the journal. Complete papers should be sent to bienestar.politicasocial@gmail.com.

Key dates:

Submission deadline: April 8, 2013

Acceptance decision: April 15, 2013

Conference: May 17, 2013

Final version of papers: July 5, 2013

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