



Social Uncertainty and Fertility in Europe (SOUNFER): Early Evidence, Open Questions, and Research Perspectives

3 June 2026, h 13:00-17:00

Aula Filopanti (Viale Quirico Filopanti, 5, Bologna, IT)

- h 13:00 – 13:15 *Greetings and Introduction to the SOUNFER project, Chiara L. Comolli, University of Bologna (SOUNFER, PI)*
- h 13:15 –14:15 Chair: **Chiara L. Comolli**, University of Bologna (SOUNFER)
- *Social networks and their implications for fertility choices across social groups in the Netherlands, Valeria Ferraretto, University of Bologna (SOUNFER)*
 - *Buffering uncertainty: The Protective Role of Wealth for Fertility Intentions in Finland, Elena Vettoretto, University of Bologna (SOUNFER)*
- Discussant: **Katya Ivanova**, Department of Sociology, Tilburg University
- h 14:15-15:15 Keynote: *Relationships as Reproductive Contexts. A Relational Fertility Research Agenda, Nicole Hiekel, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR)*
- h 15:15-15:30 Coffee break
- h 15:30– 16:45 Chair: **Saverio Minardi**, University of Bologna (SOUNFER)
- *Running Out of Time? Parenthood and Trends in Time Poverty in Seven Western Countries, Anna Martinez, University of the Basque Countries*
 - *Fertility intentions in times of “polycrisis”: the interplay between global uncertainty, sociocultural orientation, and social media use, Chiara Puglisi, University of Bologna (SOUNFER)*
 - *Racing and ticking clocks. Reproductive trajectories and biological ageing: metrics for a relationship (if any), Marianna Stajano, University of Bologna (SOUNFER) and University of Florence*
- Discussant: **Giammarco Alderotti**, Department of Statistical Sciences, University of Florence
- h 16:45 *Closing remarks, Chiara L. Comolli, University of Bologna (SOUNFER, PI)*

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