

**ALICANTE, 19 AND 20  
JUNE 2025**



**Let the voices of school  
absenteeism be heard**

**FINAL CONFERENCE  
+ II INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP**



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## FINAL CONFERENCE

Official closing of the SOS-Attendance Observatory Project.  
Presentation of key outcomes, best practices, and tools developed in Italy, Portugal, Spain, and Türkiye. Includes a reflection on future directions.

## II INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP: CROSS-CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES ON GLOBAL STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS SCHOOL ATTENDANCE PROBLEMS

An academic forum to explore cross-cultural strategies for addressing school attendance issues. The event includes a poster exhibition, with abstracts published in a peer-reviewed international Book of Abstracts, and features contributions from experts in the field from Italy, Portugal, Spain, and Türkiye.



### WHY PARTICIPATE?

- Certificate of attendance (10h)
- Poster participation certificate
- Abstracts published
- Fully free activities (no Registration fees)



### HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Deadline for free registration and poster abstract submission: May 31, 2025
- Registration: Scan the QR code

### REGISTER HERE!



### HIGHLIGHTED PROGRAMME

#### Thursday, 19 June

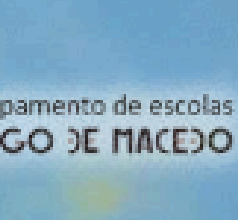
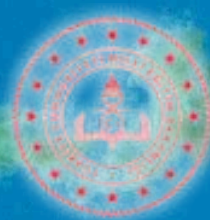
- Project presentation
- International experiences
- Outcomes and future steps
- Cultural activity: "Discovering Las Hogueras de Alicante"

#### Friday, 20 June

- II International Workshop
- Poster exhibition
- Poster Awards Ceremony
- Closing session



Faculty of Education, University of Alicante





# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## Call for Submissions to the II International Workshop: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Global Strategies to Address school attendance problems

*We are thrilled to express our warmest greeting to all of you and invite you to participate in the II International Workshop: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Global Strategies to Address school attendance problems, an international space for scientific and professional exchange addressing one of today's most pressing educational challenges: school attendance.*

*This event is part of the activities of the European project Observatory SOS-Attendance, co-funded by the Erasmus+ programme. The workshop will be held on 20 June 2025 at the Faculty of Education of the University of Alicante, as part of the project's Final Conference.*

### Workshop Objectives

This workshop aims to:

- Analyse personal and contextual factors affecting school attendance from a cross-cultural perspective.
- Share innovative strategies to prevent absenteeism and promote school engagement.
- Foster the exchange of experiences among researchers, professionals, and policymakers.
- Promote interdisciplinary and collaborative approaches to understanding and addressing attendance problems.

### Types of Contributions

The workshop welcomes the submission of scientific posters in English. Both empirical and theoretical proposals are encouraged, drawing from various disciplines (education, psychology, sociology, social work, school health, among others).

Posters will be presented in person during the event, giving authors the opportunity to engage with participants and contribute to meaningful dialogue.

### Submission Guidelines

Abstracts must be submitted via the online registration form, available here:

Each submission must include:

- Title (max. 120 characters, including spaces)
- Abstract (250–300 words)
- 4-6 keywords
- Author's name, affiliation, and co-authors (if applicable)

Abstracts will be reviewed by an international scientific committee based on relevance, clarity, methodological coherence, and contribution to educational theory or practice.

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### Key Dates

- 31 May 2025 – Deadline for registration and abstract submission
- 10 June 2025 – Notification of acceptance
- 20 June 2025 – Poster exhibition at the workshop

### Poster Information

- Language: English
- Format: Vertical – 100 cm height x 70 cm width
- Required content:
  - Title
  - Authors and affiliation
  - Introduction / Problem statement
  - Methodology / Theoretical approach
  - Results / Conclusions
  - Acknowledgements and references (if applicable)

Posters should be clear, visual, and self-explanatory. Limit text to key information for easy reading during breaks. Each presenter is responsible for printing and mounting their poster on the event day.

To maximize the number of researchers who can present their work, we must limit active contributions per participant. We encourage you to submit a maximum of two proposals as the presenting author (first author), with no limitation on co-authors.

The University of Alicante is responsible for printing and covering the costs of the first five posters for the event.

### Certificates and Publication

- All registered participants will receive a certificate of attendance.
- Presenting authors will receive a certificate of scientific contribution.
- Accepted abstracts will be published in a digital Book of Abstracts, peer-reviewed by the Scientific Committee of the SOS-Attendance project.

### Organization

The workshop is organized by the Faculty Education, Department of Developmental Psychology and Didactics, University of Alicante and the Erasmus+ project SOS-Attendance.



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### Poster tips and tricks

#### HOW TO START YOUR POSTER

- 1.If you don't know how to start, you can start with looking up posters in your field, google can be of great help here. It gives you a general idea of which are the possibilities.
- 2.Make a sketch on paper, design a vertical (portrait) poster. Make a design and decide where the different elements are going to be. What is visually attractive?
- 3.Write the text for your poster. There's not a lot of space on your poster for text, just include the main elements.
- 4.Make sure your poster is readable, people can come closer of course, but the overview should be clear. Try to avoid small font sizes where possible and consider using a well readable font.
- 5.Translate your design and text to a digital version. If you don't have an advanced program to do this, Microsoft PowerPoint can be a great solution. Use color and open spaces to increase readability and to amplify important elements.
- 6.Once prepared, maybe ask a friend or somebody knowing nothing about your research to give a look and provide feedback on the understanding, clarity, graphical quality and more.

#### THE ELEMENTS ON THE POSTER

Tips and tricks for your elements:

- Title: Make it short but complete
- Authors: Names and organizations, you can add email, websites etc.
- Logo of the organization if applicable.
- Introduction: Give a clear summary of the goal and subject of your poster. For example, what was the question you were trying to answer?
- Middle part: A short overview of your method and results, this could be visualized with stats and graphs, but stick to the main issues and simplify graphs if needed for readability.
- End part: Give a very concise conclusion, what are the recommendations?
- References: please add a list of the main references.
- Last but not least, don't forget to mention the date and location for the presentation.

#### POWERPOINT

If you want to work with PowerPoint this is generally the way to get a vertical poster (might differ between versions).

- File new Empty presentation (select)
- Use top menu Design Slide size Custom slide size Slides: Portrait (select) then fill in custom, put in: height 1,00 m and width 0,7 m. So 100 cm by 70 cm, this is A0 paper size.
- Use Insert in the top menu to insert text and images.

