

# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## BEYOND BOUNDARIES

Rethinking Education, Society,  
and Thought

2<sup>nd</sup> Conference for PhD Students  
and Young Researchers in  
Education and Social Sciences

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The Free University of Bozen-Bolzano is delighted to announce the **2<sup>nd</sup> PhD Conference in Education and Social Sciences**, scheduled to take place in **Brixen-Bressanone** from **Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026**. More details about the **program** and **registration** are available on our [website](#)!

The PhD conference **Beyond Boundaries** invites **PhD candidates** and **earlycareer (non-tenured) researchers** in education, pedagogy, social sciences, and related fields to actively participate.

In an era of growing complexity, intersectionality, and global interconnectedness, boundaries are no longer fixed or self-evident. The conference aims to create an open and interdisciplinary space for young scholars to explore how boundaries – disciplinary, social, and conceptual – shape knowledge, identities, and social practices, and how they can be critically questioned and transformed.

The central question is: **What do boundaries mean today?** Do they risk becoming barriers to innovation, inclusion, and mutual understanding? In this spirit, we particularly encourage contributions that engage with:

- **Disciplinary boundaries:** How can we navigate the tensions between specialization and interdisciplinarity in research and professional practices? What opportunities and challenges emerge when disciplinary borders are crossed?
- **Social boundaries:** How do visible and invisible boundaries shape identities, communities, and institutions? What are the implications for equity, belonging, and participation in educational and social contexts?
- **Conceptual boundaries:** How are the limits of knowledge, language, and meaning defined and negotiated? How can these boundaries be challenged or rethought within educational and social research?

## SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT

PhD candidates and early-career researchers are invited to submit an abstract of up to **250 words** via the **online submission form by 15 May**.

→ [Submit your Abstract](#)

→ [Website](#)

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