



## **International Symposium on Medically Assisted Reproduction: Health, social and demographic aspects**

**16-18 September 2024, Villa Vigoni, Italy**

**Call for papers:** Submissions deadline **15 March 2024**

The number of children conceived after Medically Assisted Reproduction (MAR) and of adults who undergo these treatments has been steadily increasing. Many questions remain regarding the well-being of MAR conceived children, barriers in access to MAR and the demographic and social consequences of increasing MAR use. This interdisciplinary event will bring together scholars for presentations, discussions, and critical reflections around the topic.

### **Submission information**

We invite proposals for presentations and posters on any health, social and demographic aspects of Medically Assisted Reproduction which affect children, adults and families, including matters around egg donation, surrogacy, egg freezing, access to MAR treatments, and more broadly around current fertility levels and intentions, reproductive health and rights, and childlessness in the European context and beyond. We welcome both empirical (qualitative or quantitative) and conceptual papers.

Please submit an abstract of no more than 400 words using the online [form](#). The submission **deadline** is **15<sup>th</sup> of March 2024** and notification of acceptance will be sent out in **April 2024**. Please note we can only consider **one submission per presenter** (either oral or poster).

### **Confirmed keynote speakers:**

- Prof. Lone Schmidt (University of Copenhagen)
- Dr. Diederik Boertien (Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics, Barcelona)
- Prof. Mikko Myrskylä (Max Planck for Demographic Research, Rostock)

The event will open with a welcome speech from the Rector of Bocconi University, Prof. Francesco Billari.

### **Travel and accommodation**

The event will take place on 16-18 September 2024 at Villa Vigoni by Lake Como, Italy. The event is free of charge and accommodation costs and meals will be covered by the event organisers. Attendees will need to fund their own travel to and from the event. The nearest airport to Villa Vigoni is Milano Malpensa or Milano Linate. Please see more details on how to reach the venue [here](#). Please note that there are no childcare facilities at the Villa.

### **Organising committee**

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