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**International Adult and Continuing Education Hall of Fame  
2024 Conference and Induction  
University of Florence, Italy, 7 – 9 November 2024**

***Revitalising Adult Continuing Education  
for Positive Social Changes and Personal Fulfilment.  
Meeting for Co-Creating new Partnerships and Projects  
Including IACE Hall of Fame Induction of New Members***

## **Guidelines for the Working groups**

### **1. Objectives**

The objective of the IACE Hall of Fame Conference is to develop opportunities for cooperation between participants and their home organisations. The meaning and expected outcomes for each Working Group (WG) are described in the Summary each WG prepares. Summaries will be available at the conference website: <https://www.hoflorence.unifi.it/news.html#>

Please note that participants in the WGs are professionals with long-standing experience in policy and scientific work in adult learning and continuing education. Therefore, no paper presentations, research findings, experiential sessions, PechaKucha, or the like are planned during the Conference.

Two Special Issues of two Journals were launched before the Conference. Contributions from those interested in making their work and research perspectives known are likely contained therein. After the Conference, a dedicated book will be edited collecting all relevant contributions.

The goal is to see if opportunities for cooperation can be defined internationally in general and on a transatlantic base in particular.

### **2. Roles and Organisation**

In each Working Group there are:

- *Promoter*. An organisation that promoted the WG
- *Chair of Panel*. It is the person who will conduct the WG and will manage and conduct the Preparatory Phase and Final Session along with Discussants and Mentor
- Two or more *Discussants*. They will debate on the proposals/issues introduced by the Chair
- *Contributors*. All participants to the Preparatory Phase and to the Final Session in Florence
- *Hall of Fame Mentor*. He/She is expected to provide his/her contribution based on his/her body of knowledge. He/She is expected to support the Preparatory Phase and Final Session and provide a summary of the main outcomes of the WG session.

Participation in WGs is restricted exclusively to those indicated in the official programme.

### 3. Preparatory Phase

A Summary has been prepared for each Working Group. It is being finalised through a set of short webinars.

Webinars are useful to:

- Allow participants to know each other
- Exchange information on interests and individual perspectives for future work and research
- Identify proposals for cooperation that will be developed in Florence.

It is in the Preparatory Phase that participants will share any documents they deem useful to express their interests and their own contribution to the cooperation. This will allow the final meeting of the WGs in Florence to be focused on the follow-up (and not on the state-of-the-art analysis).

The Conference in Florence has a limited number of participants. However webinars in the Preparatory Phase are open to persons who will not be in Florence and are interested in cooperating.

### 4. Working Groups in Florence

Each WG will last during the IACE Hall of Fame conference 3 hours and 45 minutes.

The WGs planned on the 7<sup>th</sup> will be taken and be over in the same day.

The WGs planned on the 8<sup>th</sup> will be taken in the morning and continue on the 9<sup>th</sup> in the morning.

The number of participants in each WG will be kept within the limit of 10-20 persons.

When opening the WG, the *Chair* will introduce the WG by presenting the Summary which is the result of the preparatory webinars (10').

*Discussants* will present their thoughts and proposals to define diverse possible perspectives of cooperation.

*Contributors* in the WG express their opinions and evaluate the relevance and sustainability of the proposals.

### 5. Conclusions

Each WG will end hopefully with the approval of the final document containing the shared projects proposals. The document is prepared under the coordination of the Chair of the Panel and the support of the IACEHOF Mentor.

The document will be presented in the final session of the Conference on November 2024, 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am.