Since the beginning of the century, Italy has gone through an impressive sequence of crises on a regional as well as global scale. The economic downturn that began in 2008, the refugee crisis in the last decade, the COVID-19 pandemic, the ongoing conflict between Russia and Ukraine, just to mention the main events. Besides the social and economic impacts of the crises, it is essential to study changes and possible impacts on values and attitudes. The conference aims to discuss value change in Italy – also from a comparative perspective by considering different domains – and offer an opportunity for scholars studying the Italian case on the basis of EVS and WVS data to meet.

The European Values Study (https://europeanvaluesstudy.eu/) and the World Values Survey (https://www.worldvaluessurvey.org/) are large-scale, cross-national and longitudinal survey research programmes concerning basic human values.

Call for papers
The conference aims to gather methodologically high-quality, theoretically based contributions using EVS and WVS data. Presentations combining EVS, WVS and other data are also welcome. The call asks for a special emphasis on Italy: comparative and longitudinal contributions are encouraged. The conference welcomes presentations on any values domain, as well as methodological contributions.

Deadlines
Abstracts no longer than 500 words should be submitted to the organizing committee (italy.values@gmail.com) by 20 June 2022. Abstracts may be in English or Italian and should be accompanied by 5 keywords. Authors will be notified by the organizing committee concerning the selection of the presentations by 30 June 2022.
For any further information, please contact italy.values@gmail.com or visit https://www.spstrend.it/
Conference Programme
A preliminary conference programme will be provided in early July 2022.

Conference languages
Keynote sessions will be held in English.
Paper sessions will be held in English or Italian according to the presenter’s preference.

Registration
Participation in the conference is free of charge, but both presenters and attendees need to register.
Registration will be opened in early July and will close on 6 September 2022.

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