Words of Welcome



As the Executive Director of the International Political Science Association (IPSA), it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the 27th IPSA World Congress of Political Science in Buenos Aires, Argentina. It has been five years since our last inperson congress, and after this period of unprecedented challenges and changes, our gathering in the vibrant city of Buenos Aires feels particularly meaningful. I cannot express sufficiently how heartening it

is to witness the resilience and adaptability of our global community. Furthermore, IPSA's last congress in South America was held in Santiago, Chile, in 2009 and our return to this continent renews our commitment to the diversity and intellectual outreach of this region's vibrant political science community.

As part of our commitment to promote inclusivity, we have not only revised the fee structure for the 27th congress, but also introduced a dual participation format for the first time. This congress will allow for both in-person and virtual participation, ensuring that geographical or financial constraints do not limit the exchange of valuable insights and ideas. This is another step in making our global community more accessible and inclusive.

The theme of this congress, Politics in the Age of Transboundary Crises: Vulnerability and Resilience, resonates deeply with our contemporary global reality, where complex crises, from pandemics to environmental disasters, transcend borders, testing and revealing the vulnerability and resilience of our political systems and societies.

As we gather in Buenos Aires, we carry forward that spirit of perseverance and innovation that defines our community. Your contributions will not only enrich our collective knowledge, but also chart the course of political science in the years ahead.

In closing, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the participants, the Program Co-chairs, Research Committees, the Local Organizing Committee, the Executive Committee members, and the indefatigable team at the IPSA Secretariat. Your dedication and hard work have been instrumental in making this event a reality.

I wish you a fulfilling and inspiring experience at the 27th IPSA World Congress. I thank you for your participation and look forward to witnessing the remarkable work that will undoubtedly emerge from our gathering.

> Kim Fontaine-Skronski **Executive Director**

Welcome to Buenos Aires!





It is a great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to our esteemed colleagues from around the world attending the 27th World Congress of Political Science. The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) takes immense pride in the preparation of this Congress.

Argentine political scientists are deeply interconnected with our regional community of peers. Reflecting this, our LOC is uniquely composed of representatives from five neighboring countries. Consequently, this congress not only represents Argentina but also serves as a World Congress for Latin America. The LOC has organized ten sessions in Spanish and Portuguese and has convened a general session on Latin American politics in English. We eagerly anticipate the opportunity to showcase our academic contributions and scientific achievements to the global political science community.

Furthermore, we aspire that this congress will uphold the exceptional standards set by previous IPSA congresses in terms of disseminating scientific knowledge and fostering networking opportunities, particularly for Latin American academics. These elements are vital to the generation of global scientific knowledge.

The chosen venue for this year's congress, la Universidad Católica Argentina, is recognized as the finest private university in Argentina. Nestled in the picturesque neighborhood of Puerto Madero, the university is surrounded by excellent hotels, cafes, and restaurants. Moreover, it is conveniently located within walking distance of several historically significant tourist attractions in Buenos Aires, such as Plaza de Mayo and the traditional neighborhood of San Telmo.

We invite all of our colleagues to actively participate in the in-person exchanges that the pandemic forced us to suspend, to join us in experiencing unforgettable days of learning and engaging discussions with our peers, and of course, to indulge in some of our most cherished treasures, such as our renowned high-quality meat, Malbec wine, and

Thank you very much for coming.

Martín D'Alessandro & María Laura Perera Taricco LOC Co-chairs

