

**III INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PUBLIC POLICIES AND
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

**“Social Justice and Human Rights in the 21st Century: Challenges for the
formulation of Public Policies”**



**SIMPÓSIO INTERNACIONAL DE POLÍTICAS PÚBLICAS E
DESENVOLVIMENTO SUSTENTÁVEL**



GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

PRESENTATION

Accelerated transformations in the global landscape, driven by technological advances, shifting consumption patterns, environmental challenges, and social inequalities, force contemporary society to rethink its development models. In this context, human rights in the 21st century emerge as a central axis in the formulation of public policies that guarantee not only human dignity and equity in the present but also sustainability for future generations.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), established by the United Nations (UN), reinforce the global commitment to building a more inclusive, fair, and sustainable world. However, effecting them requires the implementation of effective public policies that balance economic growth, social justice, and environmental preservation. Therefore, the defense of Human Rights is directly linked to the development of strategies that ensure quality of life for future generations.

In this sense, it is urgent to organize academic events that promote critical reflection, debate, and the sharing of experiences aimed at developing innovative public policies, intersecting human rights, sustainability, and citizenship. With an eye toward a sustainable future and social justice, it is increasingly necessary to foster dialogue between researchers, public administrators, social movements, and civil society, fostering the exchange of knowledge and the dissemination of successful practices that can be replicated in public policies across a wide range of contexts.

Thus, the International Symposium on Public Policies and Sustainable Development aims to promote collaboration, share knowledge, address emerging challenges, formulate effective policies, mobilize civil society, discuss global goals, and stimulate innovation, aiming for a more sustainable and equitable future. Therefore, contributing to the debate and critical and analytical deepening of social theory, focusing primarily on topics relevant to the Brazilian and Latin American context, is of utmost importance and constitutes a central objective of this event.



In this context, the **III International Symposium on Public Policies and Sustainable Development**, whose theme “**Social Justice and Human Rights in the 21st Century: Challenges for the Formulation of Public Policies**” was chosen in light of the current challenges facing public policies in Brazil and around the world, is concerned with rising inequalities, attacks on social rights, the climate emergency, and the need for innovation in forms of governance and social participation.

Initiatives to adhere to the UN Sustainable Development Pact encompass actions in the areas of human rights, labor, the environment, and anti-corruption, in addition to fostering the adoption of these issues in the private sector. Thus, in discussing public policies within the three sustainable development dimensions — economic, social, and environmental — this Symposium presents itself as a promising framework for debates on the development of perspectives, with central themes that challenge people's quality of life and the planet's future.

The Event will be held by the School of Higher Sciences of the Santa Casa de Misericórdia – EMESCAM, City of Vitória/ES (Brazil), with the Coordination of the Master's Program in Public Policy and Local Development as the proponent, from **December 4th to 6th, 2025**.

It aims to attract undergraduate and graduate students, researchers, scientists, professors, and professionals from various fields to share research findings and promote debate around the central theme. Lecturers from the Public Policies field with extensive experience both in the academic and the public sphere, internationally and nationally, will participate. There will also be a scientific space where speakers will present scientific abstracts, which will be published in the event proceedings.

The Symposium will include expert lectures, simultaneous roundtables, a free-topic space with presentations by alumni, a scientific space separated by thematic axes associated with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (Annex III), and a discussion circle format to broaden the discussions. Thus, by bringing together different institutions and society, an event of this nature becomes a dynamic space for exchanging ideas, sharing best practices, and fostering collaboration aimed at building more sustainable and equitable communities.



The event will have a total workload of 20 hours, distributed as it follows: on Thursday (04/12), the Pre-Congress will take place, with activities in the morning and evening, including the Opening Ceremony; on Friday (05/12), there will be conferences during the morning and afternoon periods; and on Saturday (06/12), in the morning, the symposiums will be held followed by the Closing Ceremony, while the afternoon will be dedicated to the Scientific Space.



SOLIDARITY REGISTRATION*

The **III International Symposium on Public Policy and Sustainable Development will be free of charge** this year, thanks to the **solidarity registration**.

Participants will be invited to contribute non-perishable food items at the opening ceremony and throughout the event, which will be donated to partner social institutions. This initiative reinforces the Symposium's commitment to social responsibility and the principles of solidarity and sustainable development, strengthening the bond between the academic community and civil society.

Registration will be open from **October 6 until November 20, 2025** and will be carried out through the institution's official website: **www.emescam.br**. The III International Symposium on Public Policies and Sustainable Development will present the types of work to be presented and published in event proceedings: simple abstracts and full papers.

Each speaker will be entitled to submit up to **three scientific papers, with up to six authors**. It is the speaker's sole responsibility to submit papers in accordance with the rules and by the submission deadline.

Registration for the event is free, and speakers will receive a certificate of 20 hours of participation. Participants who also submit scientific papers, if accepted, will receive a second certificate for the submitted work. This certificate will be delivered to the lead author's email address.

In order to receive the participation certificate, registrants must have attended 80% of the event. Attendance will be monitored by the event organizers.

*** Limited vacancies.**