

GLOBAL FORUM ON MODERN DIRECT DEMOCRACY POLITICAL CULTURE

from LOCAL PARTICIPATION
to GLOBAL COEXISTENCE

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CALL FOR PAPERS

The 2016 Global Forum on Modern Direct Democracy
November 16-19, 2016
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It is a pleasure to invite you to the 2016 Global Forum on Modern Direct Democracy. The conference is organized by Arizona State University; the Initiative & Referendum Institute Europe, which is affiliated with the University of Wuppertal's Institute for Democracy and Participation Research; and the city of Donostia-San Sebastian, Spain, which is also hosting the event at its Miramar Palace on November 16-19.

Among the forum's hosting partners are the Council of Europe, International IDEA, Democracy International and Swissinfo, the international service of the Swiss Broadcasting Company.

Topics of interest:

The forum's theme will be: "Local Participation, Global Coexistence." The forum calls for papers and presentations that look at any aspect of modern direct and participatory democracy around the world. But the forum is particularly interested in how direct and participatory democracy tools are used by local and regional governments as well as social movements.

Guide for authors

We are asking for abstracts as soon as possible; the deadline for submission is October 10. Please submit your abstract, please email the Global Forum co-president, Joe Mathews of Arizona State University, at two email addresses: joe@zocalopublicsquare.org and Joseph.M.Mathews@asu.edu.

We intend to notify you of acceptance on a rotating basis, and quickly, with final deadline for acceptance October 15. The deadline for final paper submission is December 1.

Publication of papers

Papers will be published on the Global Forum site, 2016globalforum.com and on people2power.info, the democracy media platform hosted by [swissinfo](http://swissinfo.ch/directdemocracy), which publishes in 10 world languages [swissinfo.ch/directdemocracy].

Committee for papers:

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We look forward to seeing you at the 2016 Global Forum on Modern Direct Democracy.

Sincerely,



Joe Mathews

PS. And please do not forget to register your participation for the Forum at 2016globalforum.com/register.