INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON BEST INTEREST OF THE CHILD AND SHARED PARENTING. DECEMBER 2-3, 2019. MÁLAGA, SPAIN

Organizers: International Council on Shared Parenting (ICSP) and the School of Law of Malaga University (UMA)

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Venue: Aula Magna, Facultad de Derecho, Bulevar Louis Pasteur 26, Universidad de Málaga. Campus de Teatinos, Malaga

The International Scientific Conference on Shared Parenting will be held in Málaga, Spain on December 2nd-3rd, 2019 at the Aula Magna of the School of Law of the University of Málaga to celebrate its 40th Anniversary. The theme of the conference is: Best Interest of the Child and Shared Parenting.

This year our guest country is the Philippines as we understand this event as an opportunity to open this Congress to the emerging Asia zone, specially to a country that is the best possible bridge between the Western and the Asian cultures.

The conference will present research results and professional practices from an interdisciplinary perspective (law, social science and psychology) on how vital both parents are in their children’s lives even after separation and divorce. The following points will be the object of analysis:

- Development of children under shared parenting after divorce or separation
- Socioeconomic profile of shared parenting
- Litigation after divorce or separation when a shared parenting measure has been imposed by a judge
- Impact of shared parenting legal or judicial presumptions on the proportion of judgements that adopt this measure
- Parental alienation and shared parenting
- Models of shared parenting
- Shared parenting in case of babies and toddlers
- Shared parenting when the relations between the parents are strained

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**PROGRAM AND PANEL SESSIONS:**

Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} December. Venue: Aula Magna, School of Law. UMA

8:45 **Registration and Reception**

9:15 **Welcome message:** Angela Hoffmeyer, Edward Kruk (ICSP), Dean of Law School, Juan José Hinojosa Torralva (UMA), José Manuel Ruiz-Rico Ruiz, Director of the Department of Civil Law (UMA), Esperanza Gonzalez Pazos, Social Services Director Provincial Council (Diputada de Servicios Sociales de la Diputación de Málaga), Joaquín Ramírez Fernández, Malaga Caixabank Director of Institutions, Hector Danny Uy. Vice-president for Legal of the University of the Philippines (UP) and Ryan Jeremiah Quan, Program Officer, Graduate Legal Studies Institute, Ateneo de Manila University School of Law.
9:30-10:00  Inaugural Speech

10:00-12:00  Academic Session: First Panel: Best interest of the child and shared parenting

Martin Widrig. “The use of child’s best interests standard.” Associate Professor of Family Law, University of Friburg, Switzerland.

Almudena Moreno Mínguez, Associate Professor of Sociology, Universidad de Valladolid; Marta Ortega Gaspar, Lecturer in Sociology, Universidad de Málaga; and Ana Maria López Narbona, Lecturer in Sociology, Universidad de Málaga. “Family structure, parental practices and child subjective well-being in post-divorce situations: The case of shared parenting.”

11:00-12:00  Presentation of papers

12:00-12:30  Coffee-break

12:30-14:30  Academic Session: Second Panel: Socioeconomic profile of shared parenting

Gerardo Meil Landwerlin. "Socioeconomic profile of parents with shared custody in Spain." Professor of Sociology, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain.

Raúl Ruiz Callado. "Shared custody as a social construction in changing process." Raúl Ruiz Callado, Associate Professor of Sociology, Universidad de Alicante, Universidad de Alicante, Spain.

Rafael Alcázar Ruiz. "Social factors assessments in cases of shared custody disputed." Lecturer in Sociology, Universidad de Alicante, Spain.

13:30-14:30  Presentation of papers

14:30-16:00  Lunch
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16:00-18:00 Academic Session: Third Panel: Shared parenting as preventive of parental alienation, and sociology

Edward Kruk. “Shared parenting as preventative of parental alienation.” Associate Professor of Social Work at the University of British Columbia. Canada.


Diego Becerril Ruiz, Associate Professor of Sociology, Universidad de Granada and Jose Jimenez Cabello, Associate Professor of Sociology "Legislation, divorce and shared parenting". Universidad de Granada. Spain.

17:00-18:00 Presentation of papers

Tuesday 3rd December. Venue: Aula Magna, School of Law. UMA

10:00-12:00 Academic Session: Fourth Panel: Recent evolution of shared parenting in a comparative scenario

Lluis Flaquer. "Shared parenting after separation and divorce in Europe." Emeritus Professor of Sociology. Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona.

José Manuel de Torres Perea. “Evolution or recent regulations on shared parenting in Western countries.” Associate professor of Civil Law. Universidad de Málaga. Spain.

Juergen Rudolph. “Shared parenting in the Cochem Court Practice” German judge. Cochem. Germany.

Ryan Jeremiah Quan, “A Philippine Perspective on Shared Parenting and the Best Interest of the Child” Program Officer, Graduate Legal Studies Institute, Ateneo de Manila University School of Law.

11:00-12:00 Presentation of papers

12:00-12:30 Coffee break
12:30-14:30 Academic Session. Fifth Panel: Alternative Dispute Resolution on shared parenting and Joint Parenting Plan

Hildegund Sünderhauf. “Mediation and shared parenting”, Family Law Professor. Evangelische Hochschule Nürnberg, Germany

Yolanda de Lucchi López-Tapia. Associate Professor on Procedural Law. Universidad de Málaga. Spain; and Mariela Checa Caruana. and Mariela Checa Caruana. Psicologa Técnico del servicio de Atención Psicológica de la UMA. Psychologist. In charge of UMA Psychologial assistance. President of Assossiation “Other ADR on shared parenting”.


13:30-14:30 Presentation of papers

14:30-16:00 Lunch

16:00-18:00 Academic Session: Sixth Panel: Spanish perspective


José María del Río Belmonte, “Social workers in the context of the shared parenting” Trabajadores sociales en el ámbito de la custodia compartida”. Director of the legal Departament of the Diputación Provincial de Málaga

José Pascual Ortuño Muñoz. “Judicial Problems on shared parenting”. “Problemas judiciales custodia judicial” Magistrado de la Audiencia Provincial de Barcelona. Jugde at the Provincial Court of Barcelona

17:00-18:00 Presentation of papers

18:00 Closing Session
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Roberto García Alfonso. “Shared Parenting in daily praxis” Director de la sección de familia del Colegio de Abogados de Málaga. Director of the Family Department of the Malaga Bar Association.

Venue: Aula Magna

18:30 Closing ceremony
Angela Hoffmeyer, Edward Kruk (ICSP), Hector Danny Uy. Vice-president for Legal of the University of the Philippines (UP), José Manuel de Torres Perea, Juan José Hinojosa Torralvo, Dean of the School of Law

The conference is structured along six sessions. Most of them are Interdisciplinary sessions where different matters will be analysed: Models of shared parenting (SP) and their incidence in the best interest of the child, SP in case of babies and toddlers, SP when the relations between the parents are strained, litigation rate after an SP decision, relation between the economic measures and SP in the settlement agreements or judicial decisions, socioeconomic profile of shared parenting or alternative dispute resolution on shared parenting. There will also be a legal session where the evolution or recent regulations in Western countries will be evaluated. Also for discussion is the advisability of having presumptions in favour of sole or shared parenting.

International specialists in the field of shared parenting – representing both the academic sciences, and the legal and family professions – are invited to present their recent research results and professional practices at this interdisciplinary conference.

In parallel, the ICSP Conference Málaga 2019 call for papers kindled the interest of many scientists, professionals and members of civil society from around the world. The language of the Conference will be English.

Malaga is located beside the Mediterranean Sea in Andalucía, Spain. It has its own airport and is for this reason easily accessible by plane (for intercontinental flights via Madrid or Barcelona, the airport is 10-15 minutes from the city centre by train), train or bus. The Campus of the University of Malaga can be reached within another 10-15 minutes from the city centre by metro or bus or within less than 20 minutes by taxi from the airport (at reasonable prices).

The Faculty building offers all that is needed – especially an unexpectedly well-equipped and pretty conference hall (ideal for the plenary sessions), rooms for the workshops, as well as a helpful and friendly staff. Cooking facilities and the faculty cafeteria are adjacent, so catering can easily be organized. Prices for
hotels and additional programs (like the conference dinner) are low, compared to other European cities.

Last but not least, Malaga is a beautiful city. The home of 500,000 inhabitants has a lot to offer, as much from a cultural as from a culinary perspective. Furthermore, it is just a stone’s throw away from world class tourist attractions, such as the Alhambra in Granada (the world’s most visited tourist attraction), the Mezquita in Cordoba or the famous bridge of Ronda, just to mention a few. It would not be a surprise if some of the conference participants added a few days to their stay in Malaga to visit at least some of these sights.

Deadline for sending abstracts: 30th October 2019
Please send the abstract of your proposed papers to this email or by the conference webpage: https://www.uma.es/spanish-philipine-law-archive/?set_language=en

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