The International Society for Health and Human Rights (ISHHR) is proud to announce that the 11th ISHHR Conference will take place in Medellín, Colombia, in October 2020.

The 11th ISHHR Conference and Capacity-Building Workshops will focus on themes relevant to both local and international participants:

- Sexual violence in war and its consequences
- Treatment and care of survivors of traumatic human rights abuse
- Supporting Human Rights Defenders
- Post-conflict reconciliation
- The challenges faced by internally displaced peoples (IDPs)
- Social activism in the fight against poverty (rural and urban)
- Traditional healing and the role of rituals
- ‘Los desaparecidos’: missing persons, families and psychosocial support
- Ethnic perspectives on social activism, empowerment and reconciliation
- Helping the helper
- The role of women in the construction of peace
ISHHR is an international network of professionals, practitioners, clinicians, advocates and students committed to developing and promoting the principles of health and human rights, as well as consolidating civil society and community development projects worldwide. Historically, ISHHR has held its events in post-conflict regions, where its aims and objectives have immediate relevance; recently, ISHHR has hosted its events in Serbia, Georgia, Peru, India, and South Africa, among other locations.

ISHHR's aims are to improve aid to persons who have experienced gross violations of human rights by sharing knowledge about treatment methods for medical and psychological care; to contribute to cooperation between centres, institutes and professional health and social care workers and support colleagues working in isolated, difficult or dangerous circumstances. The event provides an opportunity to consolidate the peace and reconciliation process. Medellín 2020 will provide a platform for dialogue between local and international colleagues and an opportunity to keep awareness of the Colombian peace-building process alive, internationally.

Looking forward to seeing you in Medellín!

To find out more about the ISHHR Conference in 2020, including the call for abstracts, sponsorship opportunities, and conference registration, visit www.ishhr.com.

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The ‘National Faculty for Public Health at the University of Antioquia’ is our scientific advisor for the conference.