

The University of Rovira i Virgili (URV) has been a partner on a large number of EC financed research projects. In the last five year 129 URV project have been founded with European funds for a total amount of more than 23.000.000€.

The CSSC is a "**research center of the University Rovira Virgili** ," according to Article 127 of the Statutes of the URV, approved by the Govern Council in February 2015.

The research team involved in that project have much experience in researching and teaching in social, political, religious, economic and cultural conflicts research.

The lines of research in international and comparative perspective are:

- The role of the EU in armed conflict.
- The security of EU borders.
- Analysis of international terrorism and its consequences for the EU.
- Cooperation with third countries in safety.
- The EU contribution to the resolution of conflicts.
- The geopolitics of the EU in a polycentric world.
- Migration processes between the EU and third countries.
- The development of the right of European citizenship

Finally, the CSSC has a vast amount of experience in collaborating with civil society organizations in applied social transformation practices and the Local Action Coordinator, have valuable experience of managing EU projects.

For the development of these lines of research the CECOS has established a strategy cooperation with several universities and research institutes from different countries in Europe: Université de Luxembourg, CERIC Med: Mediterranean Centre for International Studies and Research (University of Rabat), Universidad Libanesa de Beirut - CEDS (Centre d'Edudes Diplomatiques et Strategiques) de París, University of México, chair of historical memory of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid.

## CSSC

**Overall objective:** to generate knowledge from a polyhedric perspective on globalization and the conflicting process in Spain and Europe, understood as "social conflict" the struggle of conflicting interests motivated by social facts, political, economic, gender, ethnic, religious and otherwise.

**Justification:** The social sciences and humanities are crucial for understanding social conflict and the fundamental changes in the contemporary society. Programs of regional, national and European research are aware and positioned as pillars of research to generate new knowledge to politicians, scientists and the general public interpret social challenges.

The Center for Studies on Social Conflict aims to develop new research and, therefore, enhance the contribution of social sciences and humanities to discussions on issues of particular relevance affecting society, contributing to the design of solutions that will lead to an innovative society, inclusive and responsible in a context of changes (crisis of European identity, occupational structure, social impact of migratory flows, new paradigms of participation, equality and gender, government transparency, democratic deficits, exclusion and poverty ...).

The CSSC add up the human capital, It formalizes a partnership that makes it more effective, comprehensive and competitive research and transfer.

They are members of CSSC **academic excellence** from different research groups in the field of Social Sciences and Humanities. CSSC intends, through its activities of teaching, research and extension, promote high-level reflection on all issues related to social conflicts in the world today. The CSSC is interdisciplinary and brings together political scientists, sociologists, historians, anthropologists, lawyers, communications specialists in literature, art and heritage and was born with the determination to encourage interdisciplinary analysis

### International Conferences

- International Conference on Contemporary Exiles / Festival documentary about exile. February 2013. Tarragona.
- International Conference on Transitions. May 2014. Tarragona.
- Conference Church and Franquisme. April 2015. Collaborators: Association of Victims of Franco's repression in the province of Tarragona (AVFTT) Democratic Memorial.

We have presented the research project Networks of Excellence. Announcement July 2015. "Network for the research on Social Conflicts in Spain and Europe in the contemporary age." UPF, University of San Pablo CEU and University of Nebrija. I+D+I Spanish Ministry.

### Presentation books

- "Everyday Fighters. The antifranquisme, political change and building democracy in Montsià (1972-1979) "Cristian González Ferrer, Historian UAB. November 2014.
- "Others Memories, Testimonials for the Transformation of Reality" by Laura Benadiba. February 2015.
- "Legion Azul and Second World War. 1943-1944 "Xavier Moreno Julia. April 2015.

### Conferences:

- May 2014 Cultural Week of the Kingdom of Morocco. Organizers: Consulate of Morocco Gral, Business & Social Research Lab (SBRlab)
- Alternative Journalism Conference 2015. Mars. Friends of CHE -Tgn
- May 2015. 67 years of the Nakba. The disaster continues 1948-2015. URV Tarragona BDS.
- May 2015. Agitate the Arab world. Centre for Cooperation and Development "URV Solidarity"
- June 2015 Academic Conference of the Kingdom of Morocco. Organizers: Consulate of Morocco Gral
- May 2014 EPThompson: the formation of the working class in England. Xavier Domenech Sampere
- June 2014. Argentina Complaint against the crimes of the Franco's regime. Ana Messuti Felipe Moreno, Alberto Reig Tapia, Montserrat Gine. Collaboration: AVRFT Association of victims of the Franco repression in Tarragona, Republican Ateneo de Tarragona.
- February 2015 Revisionism in history. Alberto Reig Tapia, Mita Nunez

- Diaz-Balart, Álvaro Manuel Dueñas. Organized Amesde.Madrid  
- April 2015. Complexity of modern society and international tensions.  
Jaime de Bourbon Parma  
- October 2015. The systematic Israeli aggression on the Palestinian people.  
Manu Pineda.  
- November 2015. "Refugees International: the reception of hypocrisy."  
Josep Sánchez Santiago Spanish, Oliver Klein, Isabel Iturrieta and Marta Domenech.  
- Noviembre 2015. "Morocco: autonomy and democratization." Mr. Abdelkader. Roundtable Santi Castella, Oliver Klein and Mohamed El Idrissi.  
- Noviembre 2015. "Syria in Paris. Reflections on the Syrian conflict and Islamophobia " Oliver Klein and santi castella

A proposal CECOS, was mention Honorary Doctorate of the University Rovira I Virgili, Dr. Paul Preston on May 15, 2015.