

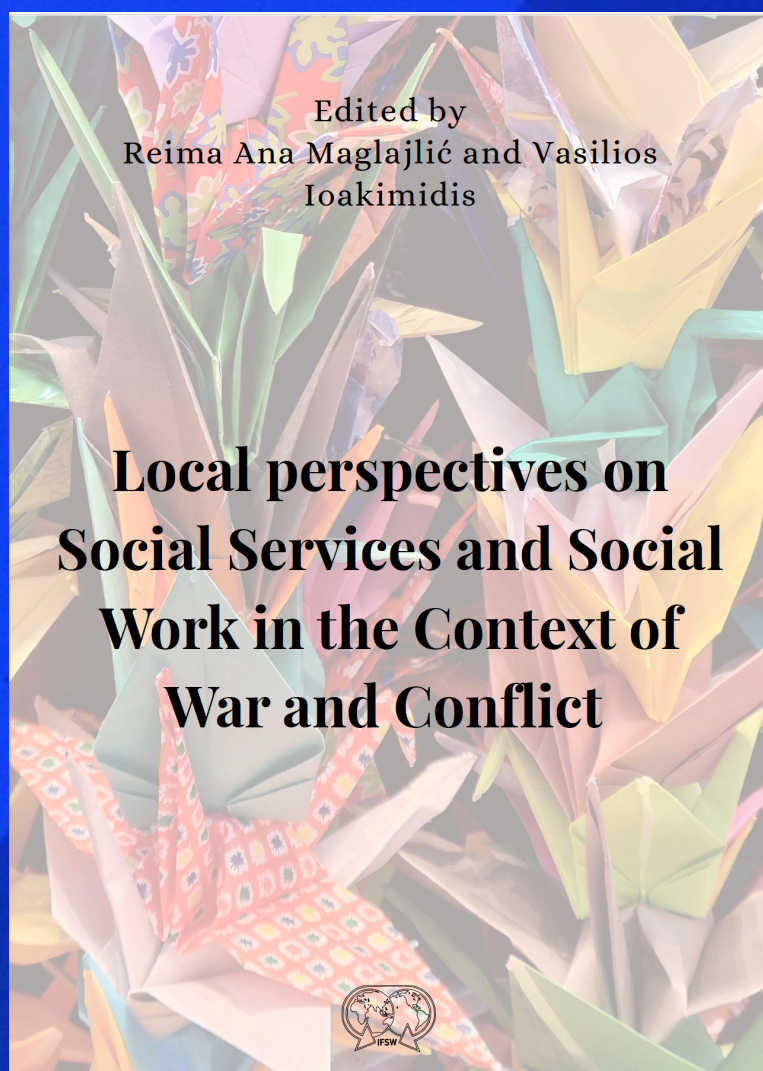


# Book launch: Local Perspectives on Social Services and Social Work in the Context of War and Conflict

**Friday, 19 September 2025, 11:00 - 13:00 Co-ordinated Universal time (UTC)**  
**(London: 12:00 - 14:00 BST; Lusaka: 13:00 - 15:00 CAT)**  
**Location: Online, Zoom (link)**

This edited volume is a result of collaboration between social work practitioners and academics who have both personal and professional experience of war and conflict. Our collaboration was initiated over two decades ago and continues to grow through an informal International Network on Social Work and Political Conflict (INSWPC). Thirteen chapters in this book offer practitioner reflections, insights from young refugees, expert interviews and analysis, broader historical analysis of social work practice, and, primary research, including studies led and co-produced with people who use health and social care services across eleven countries. Please join us for the launch to meet the book Editors and the chapter authors, and to learn more about their collaboration through the INSWPC

**The book will be available as a free download from the IFSW bookstore (link) from 21st of September 2025, The International Day of Peace.**



"...a powerful reminder that the story of war and political conflict is not solely one of destruction and loss, but also of courage, solidarity, and the relentless pursuit of justice. It tells of people and communities who have endured unthinkable violence, forced displacement, and the erosion of livelihoods and rights, yet whose spirit remains unbroken and whose hope endures. It tells of social workers who stand amidst these harsh realities, refusing to remain silent, refusing to accept violence and oppression as inevitable and working tirelessly to build conditions in which peace and dignity can take root."

From the Foreword by  
Joachim Mumba, IFSW President and  
Pascal Rudin, Interim Secretary-General, IFSW