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CALL FOR PAPERS

The faculty of Social Sciences is pleased to announce the holding of fourth International Conference entitled as, International Conference on Challenges of Transition in Social Sciences, 2014 (ICCTSS). This conference is one of the new activities being launched by the Faculty as part of its strategic objective for the advancement of the frontiers of the production and dissemination of knowledge. It grew out of a desire to fill the gap in the quest for the renewal of the University’s higher education system, namely, the absence of a regular, structured program in faculty that would permit faculty members of the social Sciences to reflect on their experiences, exchange views on common challenges confronting them, actively learn from one another, and draw on one another’s problem-solving resources in ways which could help to generate new comparative insights into Pakistan’s Social Sciences in a period of transition, while simultaneously achieving broader networking objectives.

Faculty of social sciences is committed to developing the conference as a core activity that will be integral to its strategy for supporting the University of Karachi over the long haul; Earlier International Conferences on Social Sciences were held in 2006, 2007 and 2008. This conference will be structured to lead to the production of a publication that will serve both as an important record of and statement on the status of the social sciences in Pakistan.

The theme that has been selected for this International conference is a topic which speaks to the multiple transitions taking place in the field of research in social sciences which are required to oversee. Among many other questions, participants at the conference will be invited to examine the following sub-themes:

1. The sources of the transitions taking place in the field of social sciences including their contours and directions.
2. Political and philosophical underpinnings of transition in social sciences including the constraints to be encountered.
3. The new resources that have had to be mobilized for the promotion of social sciences in Pakistan and the gaps which exists in this regard.
4. The systems of quality control that are in place or under construction.
5. The nature and efficacy of innovations that are being experimented with in teaching and research.
6. The changing modes of interaction among those involved in teaching/research in the field of social sciences including the shifts occurring in the relationships between staff and student.
7. The quality of graduate and post-graduate programs.
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8. Determinants of the content of curriculum.
9. The governance of the curriculum and the challenges of (re-)establishing universities as world-class centers of advanced research and teaching in the social sciences.

In order to make the conference productive and worthwhile, each session will be focused on a theme. Networking opportunities will also be provided that will allow for a structured sharing of experiences by the Speakers.

All readers of this Call for Paper are requested to send an abstract of the paper which they would like to present at the conference on the forms attached or email on the same format to the Conference Coordinator. An independent Review and selection committee will undertake a blind review of the abstracts received and recommend those that should be considered for development into full papers to be presented at the conference.

This conference is an effort to achieve the following objectives:

- To create an environment in which the professional exchange of ideas can occur.
- To generate new ideas and offer potential solutions to social sciences transition.
- To encourage people to be an active participants in society.
- To build ‘cooperative bridges’ among people from different municipalities, ethnic groups and background.

The ICCTSS 2014 will have following features:

**Keynote Session**

Keynote speaker will make a 35-minutes formal presentation in the inaugural.

**Plenary Session**

The ICCTSS 2014 will feature plenary session addressed by some of the world’s leading thinkers and innovators in the field. Main speakers will make 25-minutes formal presentation in the plenary sessions.

**Parallel Presentation**

The ICCTSS 2014 will feature parallel presentations by foreign and national researchers and practitioners. Speakers will make 20-minutes formal presentations in these sessions.

**Panel Discussion**

This would include a well crafted panel, staged conversation, dialogue or debate, a conference session involving substantial interaction with the audience.

**Social Film Festival**

Students and faculty are requested to participate and bring their brief videos on social and cultural issue for healing communities.
There is no fee to submit your film but after selection individual need to pay conference registration fee.

Conference proceedings
All submitted papers will have opportunity for consideration for the Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences. The selection will be carried out during the review process as well as at the conference presentation. The final decision will be made based on peer review reports by the reviewers.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Groups or individuals, particularly those with a concern for marginalized issues with respect to their fields will be interested in this conference.

Conference Themes

We invite research papers on the following themes

1) Academic freedom
2) Policy dialogue and social sciences
3) Social sciences and global challenges
4) The challenge of research in social sciences
5) Teaching of social sciences
6) Social inequality and social sciences
7) Vulnerability and social dynamics
8) Future of the social sciences
9) Social sciences and prosperity
10) Status of social sciences in today’s world
11) Recognition of social sciences
12) Developing areas of new research in social sciences in Pakistan
13) Role of literature in Social Sciences
14) Social Change and Social Sciences

Or any other topic relevant to the Conference title.

Note:

ICCTSS 2014 seeks to promote cross-disciplinary working between colleagues in the following disciplines: Philosophy, Psychology; Anthropology; History, Economics, Sociology, Linguistics, Literature, Gender Studies, Criminology and Criminal Justice; Development Studies; Politics and International Studies; Media studies and Social Work.
Submission of Proposals

What to submit

The following information is requested for all ABSTRACT submissions (Please find enclosed abstract submission form).

1) Title of presentation.
2) Author/Authors’ institutional affiliation.
3) Current e-mail and full mailing address and contact number(s)
4) Name of the presenting author
5) Abstract of 250 words, Times New Roman Style, 12 font size/Single line space
6) Language, English
7) Biographical details between 50 to 70 words
8) Conference theme
9) Types of submission

How to submit

You can submit your abstracts through e-mail to icctss2014@uok.edu.pk
Hard copies can be sent to

ICCTSS 2014 Secretariat
Dean Office, Faculty of Arts
University of Karachi
Karachi 75270

Last date of abstract submission: August 31, 2014

You will be informed about the acceptance of your abstract by September 08, 2014.

Instructions for the authors

The complete paper will be submitted till 10th October, 2014
* Maximum length: 4,000-4,500 words
* Font size: 12, single line space
* Format: Times New Roman Style
* The paper should address as explicitly as possible the following:
  1) Purpose of the study
  2) Theoretical and/or practical grounding of the study
  3) Methods used in the study, if applicable.
  4) Interpretation and significance of the study
IMPORTANT DATES

Conference Date:               December 3rd & 4th 2014
Abstract submission           August 31, 2014
Notification of acceptance    September 08, 2014
Final paper submission        10th October, 2014
Conference Registration       30th October, 2014

CONFERENCE VENUE

The ICCTSS 2014 will be held at the Faculty of Arts, University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan

Venue
Auditorium
Faculty of Arts
University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan

Supportive Departments

Quality Enhancement Cell, University of Karachi.
Public Relations Office, University of Karachi.
Campus Security office
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**Short Films**
In order to qualify as a Short film, a film must have a total running time of minimum 5 minutes and maximum 20 minutes. All Short Films that are selected will screen before scheduled in Program.

**Film Format**
Selected films must be made available for Festival presentation in digital video (DVD).

**Film Requirements.**
Language: Films must be made available with the language soundtrack and English Subtitles.

**Format**
All films must be submitted on DVD format.
All entries, as well as accompanying materials, will not be returned and will become part of the non-distributable archives of the Social Film Festival

**Accompanying Materials**
Please include a printed copy of the Entry Confirmation Form with your submission DVD or link. Incomplete entries will not be considered. Form is available at Conference Secretariat.

**Important dates**

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University of Karachi, Karachi. Pakistan
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ICCTSS 2014 Organizing Committee

Chair: Prof. Dr. Moonis Ahmar
Dean Faculty of Arts
University of Karachi
Karachi

Conference Coordinator: Dr. Anila Amber Malik Psychology

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1) Professor M. Sajdin. QEC
2) Professor Dr. Nasreen Aslam. Women Studies
3) Professor Kaleem Raza. English
4) Professor Dr. Fateh M. Burfat. Sociology
5) Professor Dr. Ahmed Qadri. Political Science
6) Professor Dr. Tanzeem ul Firdous. Urdu
7) Professor Dr. Naheed Parveen. Sindhi
8) Professor Dr. S. M. Taha. General History
9) Dr. Samina Saeed Political Science
10) Dr. Wahab Soori Philosophy
11) Dr. Farhan Hanif Siddiqui. International Relations
12) Dr. Qudsia Tariq. Psychology
13) Dr. Uzma Parveen. Islamic History
14) Dr. Sakina Riaz. Social Work
15) Ms. Noreen Mujahid. Economics
16) Ms. Sadia Mehmood. Mass Communications
17) Dr. M. Sadiq Ali Khan Computer Science
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Abstract submission form

Name_______________________________________Designation________________

Qualification________________________________________________________

Institutional address___________________________________________________

Home address-----------------------------------------------------------------

E-mail-----------------------------------------------Work.Tel----------------------

Home Tel-------------------------------------------Cell number---------------------

Presenting Author-----------------------------------------------------------------

Conference Theme-----------------------------------------------------------------

Please check the theme for which you wish your paper to be considered for presentation:

Please check the type of submission:

○ Empirical papers
○ Review papers
○ Qualitative Reports

LAST DATE OF ABSTRACT SUBMISSION: 31st August, 2014
ABSTRACT  (250 words)

Title: (not more than 7 words) _________________________________

Abstract:

Biographical details (not more than 50-70 words)
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REGISTRATION FORM

Please print or type all information

Title : Dr. ___ Prof. ___ Mr. ___ Ms. ___ Name: ________________________________

Name of organizational/affiliation: (University, research organization, college, school, etc.)

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Professional Address__________________________________________________________________

Qualification ________________________________________________________________________

City______________________________ Country_____________________________

Home address________________________________________________________________________

E-mail_____________________________Work.Tel_____________________________

Home Tel.__________________________Cell number___________________________

Business Fax no.____________________Home Fax_____________________________

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: (Cash or bank draft in the name of Social Intervention Conference, University of Karachi)

Student Registration 1000/-PKR.
Faculty 1500/-PKR
Others 3000/-PKR
International Delegates 60 US $

Please note that all presenters will need to register for the conference
*This registration fee entitles the participants to attend the sessions in the two-day conference, conference material, tea and meals

Last date for registration: 30th October, 2014