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(Cyprus)

International Conference "Gender, Law and Institutions"

Second Call for Proposals



University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus
21 – 22 November 2014

ORGANIZERS

UNESCO Chair in Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment & the Department of Law
University of Cyprus

CONFERENCE AIMS – PRIORITIES

Gender-based discrimination is often manifested in the laws, policies, institutions and practices of many countries and cultures of the world. For example, in many countries women are not given the same opportunities as men to reach decision-making positions, including positions in public and political life. Even if there are constitutional guarantees providing for equality and laws protecting women's rights, discriminatory practices by law enforcement and services can stand in the way of women's security and access to justice.

With these and other challenges in mind, the conference will take place and intends to be a forum, discussion and networking place for academics, researchers, professionals, administrators and policy makers interested in the intersection of gender, law and institutions. Thus, the organizers

invite proposals from any academic discipline with respect to practice and/or research concerned with the conference's main priorities. The **priorities of the conference** are:

- a) Gender, Human Rights and Law
- b) Gender and Employment
- c) Gender, Policies and Justice
- d) Gender and the Judiciary
- e) Gender, Political Life and Political Parties
- f) Gender, Power and Decision-Making
- g) Gender and the Police
- h) Gender and the Military
- i) Gender and Media
- j) Gender, Research and Higher Education

The programme of the conference includes 4 keynote speeches by experts in gender studies and law:

- (1) **Loraine Gelsthorpe**, Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Institute of Criminology, *University of Cambridge, UK*
- (2) **Maria Drakopoulou**, Reader in Law, Kent Law School, *University of Kent, UK*
- (3) **Nestor Courakis**, Professor of Criminology, Law School, *University of Athens, Greece*
- (4) **Kevät Nousiainen**, Professor of Comparative Law and Legal Theory, Faculty of Law, *University of Turku, Finland*

PROPOSALS

- The language of the conference is English
- Proposals are invited on the conference themes/priorities. Proposals for papers, posters and symposia are welcomed
 - **Papers** are presented as a standard presentation, for which the presenter will have 20 minutes to present and answer questions.
 - **Symposia** involve at least three linked papers, presented together by a group. The chairperson is decided by the presenting group while the time for a symposium is limited to one conference (1,5h) session regardless of the number of the papers.
 - **Posters** are presented on a standard A1 sized page and elaborate on some area of research, ideas or expressions. The presenter stands by his/her poster and discusses it with the participants of the conference during a timetabled poster session.
- Papers for the conference will all be presented and discussed in a 20 minute slot. A paper of up to 4,000 words may be submitted for circulation at the Conference and, if of sufficient quality, will be published in the Conference Proceedings. You will be able to edit your paper after the Conference and resubmit it.

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN THE PROPOSAL FORM

Please find attached to this Second Call for Proposals the **Proposal Form** (find it also in the UNESCO Chair's website), which you should fill in with the required information as follows:

- Type of proposal (Indicate whether the proposal concerns *paper*, *poster* or *symposium*. In case of a symposium, please include all the required information for each paper in the proposal)
- Conference priority (please choose 2 priorities in which your proposal falls into)
- Title of the proposal (max. 20 words)
- People involved in the proposal and affiliation details
- **Abstract.** Please include aim, research questions, conceptual or theoretical framework with at least three theoretical references, methodology, research instrument(s), methods or sources used, conclusions, expected outcomes or findings (max. 1000 words)
- References (the most important ones) (max. 400 words)

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL FORM

Your proposal form MUST be submitted via email (unescoeq@ucy.ac.cy) as an attachment by **1 September 2014**. Regrettably we cannot consider proposals submitted after this date.

CONFERENCE BOOKINGS AND REGISTRATION

TRAVEL/ACCOMMODATION

The conference will be held at the University of Cyprus (75 Kallipoleos str.), Nicosia, Cyprus. Nicosia is easily accessible from Larnaca (Larnaca International Airport, 51 km) or Pafos (Pafos International Airport, 86 km). To get to Nicosia you can take a bus (Kapnos Airport Shuttle) which will drop you off at the centre of the town where you can take a taxi to your hotel. The bus ticket costs 8 Euros (from and to Larnacaairport) and you may need an additional 8-10 Euros for the taxi (from the bus stop to your hotel). For more information and timetables, you can visit the website of Kapnos Airport Shuttle: <http://www.kapnosairportshuttle.com>. You can also take a taxi but this will cost 45 to 60 euro. There is a taxi stand as you come out of the arrivals' hall at Larnaca airport.

You are responsible for making your own travel arrangements to/from Nicosia and for booking your own accommodation. Please note that the conference organizers CANNOT make accommodation bookings on your behalf, provide travel advice or arrange your travel for you. However the following websites as well as prices for the hotels and links to their websites, in order to get more information and proceed with your booking, may be of help when planning your travel to the conference:

- For Nicosia maps, please click here: <http://www.cyprus-maps.com/nicosia-maps.html> or <http://www.ucy.ac.cy/livinginnicosia/en/getting-to-nicosia>
- For University of Cyprus maps, please click here: <http://www.ucy.ac.cy/en/maps>
- For hotels in Nicosia, see the table below:

	Single room (per night)	Double Room (per night)
Hilton (5 min. walking distance from Kallipoleos str.)	95€	110€
Semeli Hotel (10 min. walking distance from Kallipoleos str.)	80€	104€
Cleopatra Hotel (city center)	72€	92€
Centrum Hotel (down town)	69€	79€

Holiday Inn (down town)	85€	95€
UC Hall	30€ (for 2 nights +) 50€ (for 1 night)	35€ (for 2 nights +) 60€ (for 1 night)

▪ **REGISTRATION**

Registration MUST be made by filling in the Conference **Registration Form**, which you will find in the UNESCO Chair's website (<http://www.ucy.ac.cy/unesco/en/>), and sending it via email (unescoeq@ucy.ac.cy). Registration to the conference will open on **20th September 2014**. We will not be able to take any registrations before that date. Registration fees and deadlines for early bird registrations will be available then.

You can delay booking your place at the conference until after you receive notification of acceptance of your proposal. Please note that receiving an email with the acceptance of your proposal does not mean that we have automatically booked your place at the conference; you will still need to make a registration using the Registration Form found in the UNESCO Chair's website to be able to attend the conference. Please note the latest date for registration to the conference is the **20th October 2014**.

Registration Fees	
UNESCO Chair Member Institutions (all delegates/contributors from each institution)	Free
Other contributors / delegates	50€
Other participants / listeners	25€
Under-graduate & post-graduate students	15€

PROVISIONAL CONFERENCE TIMETABLE

Date	Time	Session
Friday 21 November	15:30 – 16:30	Registration
	16:30 – 18:00	Welcome and Opening Plenary (Welcome Addresses & Keynote Lecture 1)
	18:00 – 19:30	Parallel sessions
	19:30 onwards	Conference reception
Saturday 22 November	09:00 – 11:00	Keynote Lectures 2 & 3
	11:00 – 11:20	<i>Coffee break</i>
	11:20 – 12:50	Parallel sessions
	12:50 – 14:20	Parallel sessions
	14:20 – 15:20	<i>Lunch</i>
	15:20 – 16:50	Parallel sessions
	16:50 – 17:10	<i>Coffee break</i>
	17:10 – 18:40	Parallel sessions
	18:40 – 19:00	Summing up & Closing Plenary Speech (Keynote lecture 4)
21.00 –	Conference dinner	

CONFERENCE KEY DATES

- **23 June 2014:** Submission of proposals starts
- **1 September 2014:** Deadline for submission of proposals
- **19 September 2014:** Notification for the accepted proposals (peer reviewed)
- **20 October 2014:** Deadline for conference registrations/bookings
- **21-22 November 2014:** Conference
- **29 December 2014:** Deadline for submission of papers for the Conference Proceedings – Selected Papers (peer reviewed)

For further information, or if you have any queries, please check the UNESCO Chair website or e-mail us: valanidou.floria@ucy.ac.cy , unescoeq@ucy.ac.cy

Yours sincerely,

The Conference Organizing Committee