# University of Dar es Salaam

Dar es Salaam University College of Education (DUCE)

SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GENDER ISSUES IN HIGHER EDUCATION –  $23^{RD}$  TO  $24^{TH}$  APRIL, 2020

CONFERENCE THEME: WORKING TOWARDS ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL NO. 5 "ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY AND EMPOWER ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS": PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES

### CALL FOR ABSTRACT

Dar es Salaam University College of Education (DUCE) is organizing the Second International Conference on Gender Issues in Higher Education following a very successful conference in 2017 held at the College. The 2017 Conference gathered more than 120 scholars, gender activists, government officials and stakeholders from different parts of the world, whereby various studies covering issues related to gender equity and equality were presented, challenges shared and the way forward chartered out. In general, it was realised that gender imbalances and stereotypes are global issues that should be continually addressed through unified global strategies.

Moreover, it was observed that over years, there have been some notable achievements on gender equality in various areas. For instance, according to the UN 2015 report on Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), women political representation and employment in paid jobs outside agricultural sector has increased and indeed, about two-thirds of developing countries are recorded to have achieved gender parity in primary education. Progress is also reported regarding harmful practices such as child marriage and FGM (Female Genital Mutilation). However, despite continuous progress, women and girls continue to suffer discrimination and violence in almost every part of the world. For instance, the same report indicates persistence of gender disparities in education at higher levels, work places, economic assets and participation in private and public decision-making where women

continue to constitute the minority. Thus, more efforts are required in order to end different forms of gender inequalities and gender violence.

The first Conference laid foundation for the upcoming Conference in terms of taking stock of what has transpired since the last historical event at the College. The SecondInternational Conference on Gender Issues takes into account the ongoing efforts towards achieving gender equality in the world as articulated in various international and country specific conventions, declarations, resolutions, and policy frameworks. It is expected that through this Conference participants will have forum to share both national and international measures taken to address gender related issues in different parts of the world and examine effectiveness of such steps in enhancing gender equality and eliminating all forms of discrimination against women. It will involve various distinguished keynote speakers and conference days of paper presentations, panels, and posters. It is therefore an opportunity for researchers and activists to use the Conference platform to share study findings, interventions and challenges in achieving gender equality. Specifically the Conference intends to:

- (i) Share progress and various measures taken in achieving SDG No 5: "Achieve gender Equality and Empower all Women and Girls" in specific contexts.
- (ii) Share approaches and interventions towards achieving gender equality both globally and at national contexts.
- (iii) Examine gender equality frameworks and undertakings with regard to what works and challenges encountered (who is doing what and who is not doing what and why).
- (iv) Propose relevant interventions in breaking the barriers and promoting engagement of men and women in achieving gender equality.
- (v) Come up with recommendations on how to achieve gender equality in different aspects.

We invite abstracts, papers and panels on this multilayered, wide-open topic from scholars in all discipline of the academy. Focusing on the SDG 5 targets and indicators, the following sub-themes will guide the Conference:

- (i) Gender disparities in tertiary and vocational education,
- (ii) Gender vis-à-vis technology (ICT and social media influence),
- (iii) Women access to ownership and control over resources: Legal frameworks vis a vis practices,
- (iv) Gender economic rights, industrialization and entrepreneurship,
- (v) Gender stereotypic occupational and leadership discrimination,
- (vi) Gendered parenting roles and shared responsibilities,
- (vii) Gender vis a vis health rights and access,
- (viii) Gender Based Violence.

# **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:**

- i. Abstract not more than 300 words should be emailed to <a href="mailto:cgender@duce.ac.tz">cgender@duce.ac.tz</a>
- **ii.** Abstracts should include names of author(s), affiliations, email and phone contacts and indicate type of presentation eg. Paper, poster and round table discussion
- **iii.** Full papers should not exceed 6000 (excluding tables and references) words prepared in Times New Roman, size 12 font and spacing of 1.5.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Note: Conference fees shall cover coffee/tea, lunch and the conference package

**SIDE ACTIVITIES:** City guided tour and evening galaxy gala on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2020

## **Conference Registration fee:**

• Students- Tanzanians TSh 50,000.00

Students- African Countries \$ 50.00Students- Elsewhere \$100.00

• Others- Tanzanians TSh 100,000.00

Others- African Countries \$100.00
Others- Elsewhere \$150.00
City tour and galaxy gala – all \$30.00

# Additional\$25.00 shall be added to registration fee after 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020 Bank Details:

Bank Name: National Bank of Commerce

Branch Chang'ombe

Account Name: Dar es Salaam University College of Education

Account Number: 071101000196 Swift Code: NLCBTZTX

OR

Bank Name: National Bank of Commerce (NBC)

Branch: Chang'ombe

Account Name: DUCE Foreign account

Account Number: 071105000038 Switch Code: NLCBTZTX

**Location:** The Conference is expected to be held in Dar es Salaam at the Dar es Salaam University College of Education (DUCE), located along Taifa Road at Chang'ombe.

**Accommodation:** Upon request, Conference organizers can arrange hotel accommodation.

More information: visit our website link: duce.ac.tz/dcgi

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