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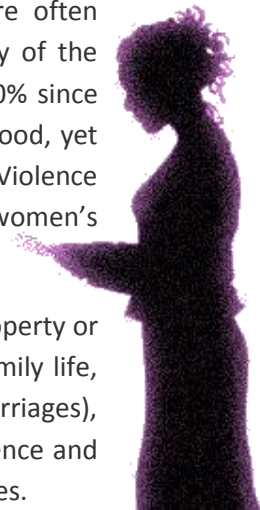
SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

Gender equality is essential for the achievement of human rights for all. But Women are often discriminated against many forms of social and economic factors. Women form the majority of the world's poorest people and the number of women living in rural poverty has increased by 50% since 1975. Women work two-thirds of the world's working hours and produce half of the world's food, yet they earn only 10% of the world's income and own less than 1% of the world's property. Violence against women throughout the world and in all cultures prevails on an unimaginable scale, and women's access to justice is often paired with discriminatory obstacles in law as well as in practice.

In some countries women, unlike men, cannot dress as they like, drive, work at night, inherit property or give evidence in Court. The vast majority of expressly discriminatory laws in force relate to family life, including limiting a woman's right to marry (or the right not to marry in cases of early forced marriages), divorce and remarry, thus allowing for sex discriminatory marital practices such as wife obedience and polygamy. Laws explicitly mandating "wife obedience" still govern marital relations in many States.

TIKIM's 1st annual world conference on women studies attempts to form a discussion to address these discriminations against women. Hence we selected "Elimination of Discrimination Based on Gender" as conference theme for 2015.

The conference will provide scientific platform to bring together educators, researchers and scholars in the domain of interest from around the world to exchange knowledge, discuss issues, share innovations and network.



CONFERENCE SHEDULE

Day 1: 24 th March 2015	Day 2: 25 th March 2015	Day 3: 26 th March 2015
8.00 a.m-8.30 a.m. Conference Registration	08.30 a.m. - 09.00 a.m. Plenary Speech	6.00 a.m. – 9 .00 a.m.
8.30 a.m-9.30 a.m. Inauguration Session	9.00 a.m. - 9.30 a.m. Morning Refreshment	Optional Post Conference Tour
9.30 a.m-10.15 a.m. Conference Photo & Morning Refreshment	9.30 a.m. - 12.30 a.m. Technical Sessions	
10.15 a.m-12.45 p.m. Keynote forum	12.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m. Network Lunch	
12.45 p.m-1.45 p.m. Network Lunch	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. Plenary Speech	
1.45 p.m-4.00 p.m. Keynote forum	2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. Technical Sessions	
4.00 p.m-4.30 p.m. Evening Refreshment	4.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Evening Refreshment	
4.30 p.m-6.00 p.m. Keynote forum	4.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. Conference Concluding & Awarding Ceremony	
6.00 p.m. onwards Cultural Show & Dinner		

CONFERENCE TRACKS

Topics of interest for submission include the following 8 themes, but are not limited to:

- ✚ Gender Discrimination in the workplace
- ✚ Cultural and Social oppression of women
- ✚ Religious discrimination and women
- ✚ Philosophy, Theology and Gender
- ✚ Human rights, women rights
- ✚ Indigenous communities and women
- ✚ Sexual oppression and women
- ✚ Women, Art, and Education

CALL FOR PAPERS

Submit your Abstract to: abstract@womenstudies.co

Please set up your abstracts according to the given format at this website. <http://womenstudies.co/2015/abstract-guidelines-wcws-2015/>) that format will help you to submit your abstract; therefore you are requested to follow the format carefully for your abstract submission. Abstracts that do not follow this format will be rejected. You are also expected to send a brief biography together with the Abstract. If you have any technical issue or you need any further assistance in submitting your abstract, please contact Isanka at isanka@tiikm.com or +94 715 589 870

- ✚ The abstract must indicate purpose of study, research methodology, major results, implications, and key references. Last date for submission of abstract is January 30, 2015.
- ✚ Authors must clearly mention the track in which the paper is to be included.
- ✚ Submitted abstracts would undergo blind review by expert reviewers.
- ✚ Authors of accepted abstracts wishing to publish the full paper in the proceedings or one of the Supporting journals should submit the full paper by April 20, 2015. If submitting the full paper, please indicate your publication preference.

At least one of the authors of the paper must register for the conference by March 10, 2015. Final submission should be strictly in accordance with the author guidelines as provide at the time of acceptance of paper.

THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the conference will be English.

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission deadline:	30 January 2015
Abstract acceptance notification:	Within two weeks
Early Bird Registration deadline:	15 February 2015
Conference registration final deadline for presenters:	10 March 2015
PP Presentation due on or before	15 March 2015
WCWS 2015	24-25 March 2015
Cultural Show and Networking Dinner:	24 March 2015
Post Conference tour:	26 March 2015
Full paper submission deadline	20 April 201

CONFERENCE VENUE

Hotel Galadari Colombo

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REGISTRATION FEE

Registration deadline

Closing date for early bird registration : 15 February 2015
Closing date for registration : 10 March 2015

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Please send a scanned copy of the bank receipt after transferring your registration fee. Also, send as your color photograph for the registration process.

Registration Types

Europe, America, Australia &
Oceania

Middle East and
Africa

Asian
countries

Sri
Lankan

Virtual Group

In-Person Participant's Registrations Include:

- Attendance at all plenary and parallel sessions (keynote addresses as well as paper presentations and descriptions of practice and informal conversation sessions with keynote speakers).
- In-person conference session presentation (which involves submitting a abstract and, if accepted, inclusion in the conference program).
- The option to submit your paper to the corresponding Journal.
- Two conference lunch buffets
- Conference dinner with cultural show
- Four snack/coffee breaks

- ISSN published Abstracts CD/ publication, admission to poster sessions, A printed conference programme, conference bag , conference materials , attendance and/or author certificates, a receipt of the registration fee

(Please note registration does not include extras such as transport, tours or accommodation. These extras can be booked at the time of registration.)

Europe, America, Australia & Oceania

Type	Early Bird Reg. US\$	Late Reg. US\$
Delegate	390	440
Student	365	415
Non-Presenter	365	415

Middle East and Africa

Type	Early Bird Reg. US\$	Late Reg. US\$
Delegate	365	415
Student	340	390
Non-Presenter	340	390

Asian countries

Type	Early Bird Reg. US\$	Late Reg. US\$
Delegate	295	345
Student	270	320
Non-Presenter	270	320

Group Registration

- All the benefits of in-person participant
- Discounted Registration for five (5) or more participants from same organization/institution

Please contact Mr. Dinesh for more information dinesh@tiikm.com

Type	Early Bird Reg. US\$	Late Reg. US\$
Europe, America, Australia & Oceania (per participant)	340	390
Middle East and Africa (per participant)	315	365
Asian countries (per participant)	255	305

Virtual Registration

If you wish your paper to be published in WCWS 2015 Publications, but will not be able to attend the WCWS 2015 conference, you have an option to register as a “virtual presenter”.

- Abstracts and papers will be published in conference proceedings
- Upload a presentation of your paper to conference website and “author STREAM”
- Submit your paper for peer review to the supporting Journals
- An author certificate, Proceeding book and conference materials will be posted to every virtual presenter after the conference

Type	US\$
Delegate	175
Student	150

Sri Lankan Registration

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Type	Early Bird Reg. Rs.	Late Reg. Rs.	Virtual Reg. Rs.
Delegate	18000	22000	9000
Student	14500	18000	6000
Non-Presenter	15000	18000	

Payment method for conference participants

1. For foreign Participants / BANK TRANSFER (TT)

BANK NAME	Hatton National Bank 479, T. B. Jayah Mawatha (Darley Road), P.O. Box 837, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka.
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BENEFICIARY	The International Institute of Knowledge Management(Pvt)Ltd 423 1/D, High Level Road, Moraketiya, Pannipitiya, 10230, Sri Lanka
ACCOUNT NUMBER	077910146135
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*** For Sri Lankan Participants ***	
BANK NAME	Hatton National Bank
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ACCOUNT NUMBER	077010016840

Please email a scanned copy of the remittance advice to registration@womenstudies.co as proof of payment.

Registration Note: One author registration can cover a maximum of one paper. Contributions will only be published at WCWS 2015 publications if at least one of the authors of each accepted abstract is registered before 31 January 2015. Please contact Mr. Dinesh for more information dinesh@tiikm.com