CALL FOR PAPERS
Promoting Vibrant Social Entrepreneurship: An International Conference
May 22-24, 2017 – Cambodia Korea Cooperation Center, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

OBJECTIVES

In recent years, social entrepreneurship has emerged as a promising approach that uses business techniques and activities (commonly constituted as social enterprises) to address socioeconomic inequalities and to create and sustain social wealth. This inaugural international conference will bring together scholars, researchers, practitioners, policy makers, educators, business leaders and community members across the globe to showcase their contributions to the field of social entrepreneurship. It will serve as a springboard for future conferences and the development of a collaborative network to coordinate research and knowledge exchange, to identify and support the development of effective practices, to advance education and training, and to foster reciprocal collaboration in order to promote vibrant social entrepreneurship in Southeast Asia. This conference is sponsored by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

THEMES

We welcome submission of abstracts for oral or poster presentations, as well workshop sessions. Some suggested topics include, but are not limited to:

- **Theoretical development** in the field of social entrepreneurship and social enterprise (i.e. models, roles, perspectives, frameworks)
- **Existing practice** to address social, economic, environmental and health issues through social entrepreneurship
- **Research** on social entrepreneurship/enterprises initiatives and **evaluation** of impact
- Effective practices, opportunities and lessons learned from **educational and training programs** with a focus on social entrepreneurship
- Models, theories and practical examples of strategic **inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration** (via **policy, alliances, innovations** etc.) to promote social entrepreneurship at local, regional and international levels
- **Funding and human resources** to support social entrepreneurship
- **Governance** of social enterprises
- **Sustainability** in social ventures, including **finance** and the use of **local wisdoms, traditions and strengths**
- Use of **technologies** in social entrepreneurship practice and education

SESSION FORMATS

We invite submission of abstracts for oral presentations, workshops, roundtable discussions and poster sessions that address the identified themes. **Individual Presentations (20 minutes)** will address at least one of the suggested themes. Presenters will be allocated up to 15 minutes for presenting their work and the remaining time will be allocated for discussion. **Workshops (90 minutes)** will focus on in-depth sharing of theoretical/practical models, use of tools, collaborative initiatives and special topics. Workshop chairs or co-chairs will be responsible for abstract submission and overall coordination of workshop activities. **Roundtables (90 minutes)** will be used for informal discussions of emerging issues and controversies. The organizer will chair the roundtable with up to a maximum of 5 appointed discussants, and involve other conference attendants in the discussion. **Poster Sessions** will showcase work in progress. Poster presenters will bring their own display materials and be available at the gallery during the allotted time to present their work.

SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

We welcome submission from academic researchers, practitioners, policy makers, educators, students and leaders in the different sectors. Please include the following with your submission:

- Name and contact information
- Format of session (individual presentation, workshop, roundtable, poster)
- Title of session
- Names of co-organizers and co-presenters, and their affiliated organizations, titles and email addresses (if applicable)
- 300-word abstract for consideration by the Adjudication Committee

Please submit proposals electronically via info@sesanetwork.com

IMPORTANT DATES

February 28, 2017- Abstract submission deadline
March 15, 2017- Notification of acceptance
March 31, 2017- Early bird registration deadline

For more information, please contact
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