



## **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GENDER, HUMAN RIGHTS & ISLAM**

Dated 23<sup>th</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> (Thursday, Friday) November, 2017 Organized by: Department of Sociology Bahauddin Zakariya University Multan, Pakistan

# **Conference Background and Aims**

Gender equality has become a generally accepted refrain and gained secure positioning within international approaches to, and discourse on, development and human rights. However, it took decades of advocacy for gendered diversities to become effectively acknowledged as relevant to the international human rights system. In this process, the recognition that "women's rights are human rights" played a central role.

In response, legal and normative instruments have been introduced to address the marginalization of women and girls, such as the 1979 Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and the 1995 Beijing Platform for Action (BPFA). Increasingly, other issues relevant to gender equality are gaining attention, for instance those pertaining to sexual orientation and gender identity and the role of men and boys in achieving gender equality. International policies and strategies such as gender mainstreaming have been developed to advance the achievement of gender equality in practice. Significant steps continue to be taken to build a human rights system that recognizes the need for gender equality and diversity to be inherent to approaches for securing human rights for all.

This International Conference will focus on how scholars, public intellectuals, policy makers, journalists and activists from diverse fields can contribute to our understanding of Gender, Human rights and Islam.

. We are currently seeking research contributions from academics, researcher, professionals, students, and activist in this connection. We would thus like to encourage

the submission of innovative papers of empirical and/or conceptual nature in the areas.

#### Themes

The conference would cover the wider main theme. To cover some of the areas of social sciences, sub-themes are presented to cover in depth issues within main theme as under:

#### **Main Themes**

- Discrimination and human rights' violations
- Women's sexuality and reproductive rights: sexual health, cultural, social and economic issues.
- Violence and criminality: Gender differences
- Sexual harassment and sex crime
- Gender differences in coping with traumatic life events
- Feminist Theory, Politics & Activism
- Intersections of Gender, Race, Class and Sexuality in the mirror of the ages
- Equal opportunities & resources in Education: opportunities at local, regional and global level
- Gender, ethnicity and civil society: Coercion, discrimination and exclusion
- Decision Making & Leadership among women vs. men
- Enslavement and human trafficking
- Identities & Diversity: Gender role attitudes and role divisions according to sexual orientation

#### **Abstract Submission**

Please submit your abstracts via email to: socconference@bzu.edu.pk in Word Format not exceeding more than 250 words only in English Language.

#### Venue

The conference will be conducted at the Jinnah Auditorium, Bahauddin Zakariya University Multan.

#### Registration

Registration Fee: Rs.2000/-

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The registration fee includes conference pack, lunch, tea, certificate & conference Proceedings.

### **Important Dates**

Submission of abstracts	November 5, 2017
Acceptance of abstracts	November 10, 2017
Submission of papers (Full Paper)	November 15, 2017
Notification of Acceptance	November 17, 2017
Authors' Registration and submission of power point slides	Latest by November 18, 2017
Confirmation of Booking and Accommodation	November 19, 2017

# **Our Speakers**



**Prof. Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin** Chairperson, Punjab Higher Education Commission, Pakistan



**Prof. Dr. Tahir Amin** Vice Chancellor Bahauddin Zakariya University Multan, Pakistan



**Prof. Dr. Anita M. Weiss** Professor, Department of International Studies (Religious Studies, & Sociology) University of Oregon, USA



**Prof. Dr. Johar Ali** Professor of Sociology University of Peshawar, Pakistan



**Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zakria Zakar** Dean/ Director Institute of Social & Cultural Studies University of the Punjab



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