

International Conference
Women, Environment and Environmental Justice (ICWEEJ)
December 7 -9, 2016

*Part of the Project "Consciousness-Raising of Pakistani Women on Contemporary
Academic and Social Issues 2015-2017"*
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Call for Papers

Environmentalism as social justice movement seeks to ensure sustainable welfare of natural resources and ecosphere since its inception in the beginning of 20th century till to date. Environmentalists believe that though both men and women should have equitable participation in environmental preservation, however women have a distinct connection with the environment in their daily interactions. There are significant links between gender equality, health and well-being and environmental/ecological sustainability.

The conference seeks to explore and highlight diverse perspectives on the multifaceted correlation and interplay between women, environment and human societies. Further it also aims to explore how gender consciousness is integrated in environmental concerns and serve as a platform to dilate upon issues women are facing in relation to environmental degradation and propose measures to ensure women's significant participation in environmental policy making and management.

It is hoped that the conference will not only raise environmental consciousness of the participants but also inspire them to initiate efforts and create opportunities for joint efforts in the cause for environmental health, sustainability, and gender equality. Besides, it also envisions developing networks and linkages with different organization who are concerned about the well-being of the planet and planetary maintenance to accomplish shared objective of environmental justice.

The deliberations in the conference will not only be centred on the root-causes of environmental degradation, environmental injustices and environmental policymaking but also seek out environmental ideals that can be actualized in Pakistan. The conference is the first large-scale meeting between academics, students, civil society members, religious scholars, journalists, media personnel, business and activism communities focused on gender and the environment.

For this conference, we seek proposals for presentations that cross, blur, defy, and redefine disciplinary boundaries within the ecological studies in relation to women and employ creative interdisciplinary methods and perspectives to examine contemporary environmental debates.

The topics include but are not limited to:

- Ecofeminism
- Ecocriticism and Study of Literature
- Ecological Narratives
- Ecocritical Pedagogy & Environmental Education
- Environmental Discourse in the Media
- Women and Environmental Activism
- Impact of Climate Change on the Lives of Women
- Integration of Gender Consciousness in Environmental Issues
- Transforming Everyday Life
- Environment and Social Justice
- Urban Environmentalism
- Treatment of Women and Earth in Literature / Fracking and Health Hazards/
Symbolic Signification of Fracking and Pink washing
- Female, Environment and the Protection of Future Generation
- Impact of Cloning and Mechanization of Food on Women's Health
- Physical and Psychological Environment as Regarded by Ethnic Sectors

Submission deadlines

Please send 250- to 300-word abstracts to conference.fc@iiu.edu.pk

Deadline for submissions is **August 31, 2016**.

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