



University of Shkodra
"Luigj Gurakuqi"

THE 2nd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON: "RESEARCH AND EDUCATION - CHALLENGES TOWARDS THE FUTURE" ICRAE 2014



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Organized by

**Faculty of Education Sciences & Faculty of Social Sciences
University of Shkodra "Luigj Gurakuqi"**

THE SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

Shkodra is a two thousand year old city, one of the oldest in Albania with rich culture and traditions, important center of Illyrian civilization. The city that carries a long early history often wearing the garb of myths and legends that was called Scodra, built originated near joining two rivers, Buna and Drin, but forever in this city are crossed cultures and traditions, are writing great works from came well known intellectuals. Lying near Shkodra Lake is the city where was founded the first printing press (1565), was wrote the first book on the history of Albania. In Shkodra was founded the first library in Albania at the end of the XVIII century, the city had at the beginning of the XIX century the largest bazaar in the Balkans with 2,500 stores. Shkodra for Albanians means the city that originated the art photography. Since 1858 in Shkodra was founded Marubi photographic atelier. But it is the city of very famous writers, painters and composers. In Shkodra you can enjoy wonderful nature, important cultural centers, museums, religious or early civilizations, why not architecture and characteristic houses.

Faculty of Education and Faculty of Social Sciences are most consolidated faculties of our University, with a tradition in the field of education, but also with very good experience in organizing scientific conferences as an integral part of the entire work that realizes the academic staff in education in conveying national values and scientific research. ICRAE 2014 Conference was organized by the Faculty of Education in collaboration with the Faculty of Social Sciences and with all partner universities within and outside the country, is part of the scientific work that takes place in these faculties and follow ICRAE 2013 Conference. One of our strategies is the quality of scientific work and its impact on the growth of the scientific working level and increase academic performance with students of all three levels, Bachelor, Masters and PhD. We are convinced that the organization of scientific conferences from these two faculties of the University of Shkodra "Luigj Gurakuqi" is an opportunity and a contribution to exchange of experiences and achievements in the field of Research and Education, as a priority in order to realize our goals for European integration in the areas of education and science.

We would like to thank you in advance for your scientific contribution to the Scientific Conference and invite to encourage and promote as much as this collaboration in the future.

Visiting Shkodra during this period would be an unforgettable experience for you.

Prof. as. Dr. Gëzim Dibra,
Faculty of Educational Sciences,

Prof. as. Dr. Mimoza Prik
Faculty of Social Sciences

Conference Themes:

Topics of papers / presentations of participants will focus on the areas that will be realized in the following panels: **Albanology, Arts, Architecture, Culture, Education, Higher Education, ICT, Media & Communication, Philology, Sports & Recreation, Social Sciences, Research.**

I. **Albanology:**

- Archeology
- Linguistics perspectives
- New trends in Albanian Linguistics
- New areas in the science of Albanology
- Albanian Language and challenges in global development
- Anthropology, culture and society in the Albanian context

II. **Arts&Architecture, Culture:**

- History of art
- Heritage in art
- Arts & Education
- Art in social and cultural context
- The perception and understanding of arts
- Development of arts & culture in the region and the global development
- Architectural history and historic preservation
- Architectural and landscape, housing- planning design.
- Urban/building physics and technology.
- Urban planning and design.
- Architecture & urban design education

III. **Education:**

- Lifelong learning
- Effective pedagogy
- Management education
- Competencies in education
- Role of leadership in education
- Embracing the 21st-century skills
- Education is the key to a better future
- Pedagogy, curriculum and instruction
- New methods in teaching and learning
- Evaluation and assessment in education
- New technologies in teaching and learning
- Curriculum development-Finish experience
- Inclusive classrooms and curriculum considerations
- Education challenges and development for the future
- Achievements and challenges in the development of ICT in education, in Albania, the region and beyond
- Essential skill sets: creativity, communication, collaboration, critical thinking, problem solving, technological proficiency and global awareness.

IV. **Higher Education:**

- Higher education in our region
- Quality assurance in higher education
- Challenges of quality standards in education
- Improvement of standards in higher education
- Research studies in institutions of higher education
- Global trends of development of non public education
- Academic freedom, autonomy and social responsibility
- Policies, good governance and leadership in higher education
- Accreditation and measuring performance in higher education of the region
- Participations of higher education institutions in international/regional scientific projects

V. **Information and Communication Technology:**

- ICT in education
- ICT in society
- ICT in humanities
- ICT in economy

- ICT in medicine
- ICT in applicative sciences
- Electronics engineering research
- Information society, knowledge society
- e business, e commerce, e government, e learning, e participation, e democracy

VI. Media & Communication:

- Ethics and media
- Media and education
- Communication and language
- Media, political and social discourses
- The role of mass media in sustainable development
- Mass media and communication in the Albanian reality
- Media today in the region, in context of global development
- Professional communication techniques and innovations today

VII. Philology:

- History today
- Museum today
- Cultural trends
- History of religion
- Applied linguistics
- Children's literature
- History and tradition
- Language acquisition
- Contemporary library
- Theoretical linguistics
- Literature in global age
- Linguistics perspectives
- Language and education
- Contemporary translating
- Studies on foreign languages
- History, debate and discourse
- Modernism and postmodernism
- History and tradition in the region
- Anthropology, culture and society
- Translation and interpretation studies today
- Geography (human, regional, political aspects)

VIII. Social Sciences:

- Family & marriage
- Social reintegration
- Social network analysis
- Gender politics and discourses
- Ethic in psycho-social research
- Issues of identity and globalization
- Studies on organizations, work and profession
- Social services and support for vulnerable groups
- New social disparities/social and economic change
- Social services and support for vulnerable categories
- Social accountability, collective behavior and social movements
- Researches on psychology of: education, social, health, organization
- Professional communication in social environment and innovations techniques
- Challenges and perspectives of psychological services and social work profession
- Psycho-social development and its impact on individual and collective well-being

IX. Sports & Recreation:

- Disability and recreation
- Tournaments and its problems
- Championships and selectivity
- Sport performance and psychological aspects
- Massive sports and scientific quality selection
- Problems of sports: basketball, football, volleyball
- Assessment of athletics in young ages in the region
- Achievements of development of sports in the region
- Development of curricula from physical education, to sports and recreation
- Evaluation of recreation, a challenge that must be overcome for our societies

X. Research;

- Ethics in research
- Space and organization
- Environmental changes
- Changes in population
- Waterfront development
- Innovations and creativity
- Heritage and development
- Natural resources and management
- Research and innovations in education
- Research, challenges and opportunities
- Regional relations and spatial structures
- Research studies in developing countries
- Natural and cultural heritage and management
- Reform of scientific journals, a challenge to overcome
- Relationships between people, organization and territory
- Achievements and challenges for research studies in region
- Development of geography in context of the technological development

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The structure of the Conference:

- Opening Conference
- Plenary Session
- Panel/Section Presentations
- Round tables/ Workshops/ Symposiums
- Doctoral Symposium
- Virtual Presentations

Format of the Conference:

Themes of the research will respond to a new format, it is diverse and contemporary for our University and it will be as follow: Opening International Conference, some sessions will held in the multimedia rooms, will be transmitted via the Internet live stream. It will be open, not only to the participants of the conference but also to the public. So, international participants will have the opportunity to pursue presentations. Forms of the presentation in the conference will be:

- Oral presentations.
- Virtual participation through Video Conference (only for participant from outside of Albania) to provide a worldwide forum where the international participants from long distance can share their knowledge and ideas on the recent research and map out the directions for future research and collaboration.

Participant’s Profile:

The International Conference is addressed to academics, researchers and professionals with a particular interest related to the topics from all parts of the world.

- Senior and junior researchers are equally welcomed. As the nature of the conference is intended to be multidisciplinary, different academic backgrounds are welcomed.
- Post-graduate students, doctoral candidates and young researchers are welcome to submit a paper.
- Students of Scientific Master Program Studies- that are at last semester of their Diploma.
- Representatives of NGOs and activists willing to present their work or projects with impact on or influenced by specific understandings of policies are welcomed as well to submit their contributions.
- Participants have the right to present a maximum of two papers at the Conference, as first author
- One paper has maximum four coauthors.

Abstract:

- The abstract should be limited from minimum 300 to a maximum of 400 words (body of abstract),

- The abstract is a one-paragraph, single-spaced self-contained summary of the most important elements of the paper.
- The authors are required to clearly state the context and aim of their study including: introduction, research questions/applied scientific methods, data analysis/findings/main results, and suggestions /conclusions as concise summary of the key points of your research (Do not indent).
- It must be written and sent as Microsoft Word 2003,
- The abstract must have header and footer as ICRAE 2014_Abtract_Template
- The abstract document must be named as follows: [name_surnameICRAE2014abstract](#) and will sent as attachment at Application Form of web site,

Paper:

- Paper should be written in English, single-spaced on standard-sized paper A4 with 1" margins on all sides. You should use 12 pt. Times New Roman font.
- Paper should include four major sections: the Title Page, Abstract, Main Body, and References.
- **Line Spacing:** Single-space throughout the paper, including the title page, abstract, body of the document, references, appendixes, footnotes, tables, and figures.
- **Title Page:** It should contain the title of the paper, the author's name & surname, institutional affiliation, and E mail address, (Do not use titles Dr. or degrees Ph.D. etc) and continue next row with "body" of abstract. We recommend that your title to be no more than 12 words in length and that it should not contain abbreviations or words that serve no purpose. Your title may take up one sentence, one or two lines.
- **Abstract:** as was explain above.
- **Main Body:** It is important part of paper and will include indent of all issues that are reflected in summarizing abstract from introduction, aim of your study/research together with research topics, detailed research questions, participants, applied scientific methods, tables, graphs, data analysis, used findings, and conclusions. Suggestion and recommendations are another key point of paper.
- **References:** It will be according to the APA Referencing System. ICRAE 2014 uses the APA (American Psychological Association) referencing style. Please consult the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, Fifth Edition, ISBN 1-55798-790-4 or <http://www.apastyle.org/electref.html> for further style guidelines. It should be noted that only works cited in the paper can be included in the references section.
- **Paper length :** We recommend 6-10 pages

Publications:

We express our willingness to adapt the standards of conference to higher requirements.

- On the day of the Conference, the Proceedings of Abstracts of Conference will be distributed and other conference materials. It will have ISSN: and will be published on line.
- Publication of complete materials will be carried out after June 10th 2014 for selected papers of participants that have present abstract at ICRAE2014. (in order to give participants opportunities to meet the scientific criteria)
- All above publications will be accessible via internet through the web site of the University of Shkodra "Luigj Gurakuqi": <http://www.unishk.edu.al>.

Registration:

It will be done from first author through application form for all format types of Conference participants: Oral/ Virtual, only through web site of **ICRAE2014**, for all types of participants.

Presentation and types of participation as: Participants author/ Participants co-author/Attending participants.

Registration fees:

Before April 25th 2014

For Oral Presentation

40 EUR, for Participants of **ICRAE2013** as first author

50 EUR, for new Participants of **ICRAE2014** as first author

For Virtual Presentation

30 EUR, for Participants of **ICRAE2013** as first author

40 EUR, for new Participants of **ICRAE2014** as first author

- 1- Above fees are for each accepted abstract of the Conference (not for each author). This fee includes: Certificate of presentation in Conference, Conference materials, coffee break, lunch,
- 2- If participants want to present a paper with colleagues as co-authors, they have to pay extra 15 EUR and this payment will be done only from first author together with it's fee, as one payment. This fee includes: Certificate of co-authorship paper presented in conference, conference materials.
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4- For participants of above points 2 & 3, if they want to have lunch, they have to pay extra 10 EUR.
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First author is responsible for all (from abstract, application, presentation, copyright, payment for himself and all coauthors)

First authors will notify for abstract acceptance together with form for payment.

Important Dates:

- Submission of abstract papers: April 5th - **April 15th 2014**
- Notification of acceptance of abstract papers: **April 20th 2014**
- Fee payment: April 15th - April 25th 2014.
- Later payment: April 25th - May 5th 2014
- International Conference: **May 30-31th 2014**
- Submission of full papers (optional): June 10th 2014

Language of Conference: English

- Presentations in English
- Papers in English

Further updated Information:

Other further updated information, after Second Call will be ongoing on the web site of the Conference.
Please check it carefully from time by time.

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