Rethinking Education: Innovative Teaching and Learning

Call for Papers

The role of education in shaping and impacting the world has never been contested and will certainly be held as an unwavering belief as long as there is life on earth. However, human capacity to provide the appropriate education that would meet the needs of every generation has always been doubtful. Countries across the globe have invested large amounts of money on reforms that were intended to improve education, yet the results have often been unsatisfactory.

Another challenge that faces education policy makers around the globe has to do with the constant changes which face our world and which make today’s practices fall short of meeting the needs of tomorrow. In a recent report on the future of education and skills by the OECD (2018), the reporters elaborated a shared vision for education in the coming decade with an attempt to provide guidelines for a shared vision for education in the 21st century. The capacity to evolve and adjust to the new challenges are key to face the present and future changes that education is confronted to:

“In the face of an increasingly volatile, uncertain, complex and ambiguous world, education can make the difference as to whether people embrace the challenges they are confronted with or whether they are defeated by them. And in an era characterised by a new explosion of scientific knowledge and a growing array of complex societal problems, it is appropriate that curricula should continue to evolve, perhaps in radical ways”.


Hence, to meet these challenges, it is necessary to subject our understanding of learning, our education policies, as well as our teaching practices to constant reassessment and reconsideration, with the role of scholars and researchers in this endeavour being of primary importance.

It is in this light that the Department of English Studies within the Faculté des lettres et des sciences humaines in Ain Chock, in partnership with Hassan II University of Casablanca, is organizing its first International conference on higher Education in Casablanca (ICECA 2019). This conference aims to bring together researchers in education to discuss current research trends and challenges in tertiary education.

The Conference will consider in depth how learning can and should be organized to create sound classroom environments, and what changes must be made in higher education in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region and around the world in order to achieve better and more productive educational outcomes.
English will be the principal language medium at ICECA 2019, but presenters and participants wishing to use Arabic or French are also welcome. Limited conference interpreting services will be provided. Participants may give oral presentations or hold workshops on topics in higher education and learning at university level. The Organizing Committee suggests the following rubrics, which are by no means exhaustive:

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**Venue**

ICECA 2019 will be held in Hassan II University, Faculty of Letters and Humanities Casablanca, Morocco.

**Accommodation**

Information about suitable hotels will be made available on the conference website.

**Dates to remember:**

- Conference Date: 11th - 12th December 2019
- Deadline for abstracts: 15th September
- Notification of acceptance: 1st October
- Paper submission & registration deadline: 2nd December

**Keynote speaker**

To be announced soon

**Publication**

The papers will be published in a volume by an international publishing house.

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**Picture from the venue**

Casablanca: Hassan II Mosque: