Kenyatta University
School of Education
First Annual Conference/Workshop Call for Proposals and Paper Abstracts
Date – October 24th 2014
Venue: Kenyatta University Conference Centre (KUCC)

Introduction
As part of its strategy to align its teaching and research activities to the university mission and vision, the School of Education, Kenyatta University is launching an Annual Conference Program which will be taking place in the month of October. This Education Conference is designed to coincide annually with the month of October in which the Annual Teachers’ Day (October 5) is celebrated globally. In rolling out this annual event, the School of Education is organizing to begin with a one-day Conference scheduled for the 24th October 2014 at Kenyatta University Conference Centre. This launching day will be organized into Two (2) plenary sessions each with one key note presentations intermitted by breakaway sessions for purposes of paper presentations and discussions around relevant themes around broad issues and approaches to research issues in education. The speakers are drawn from among distinguished educationists and education researchers. The event will target paper presentations from the following groups of education scholars:

- Early career academics who are in the process of considering topics for post-doctoral research
- Post-graduate graduands (Masters’ and PhD) in education who completed their studies in the last 3-4 years and who wish to reflect and share their aspects of their research experiences and findings
- Experienced education scholars who will share their research work in the field of education

Call for Paper Abstracts
For the conference scheduled for the 24th October 2014, we are inviting interested presenters to submit their paper abstracts for review and consideration. Abstracts (max. 250 words) should contain the title of the contribution and a clear description of the core aspects of their research papers such as research question /study question; aims relevant to topical education issues; methodological rigor theoretical framework; Key findings; implications for policy formulation among others. Your submissions should come in the following forms:

**Full Research Paper:** Completed research papers in any topical/field of education.
**Extended Abstract:** This is a work in progress research or project that is not yet completed. The extended abstract should not exceed 2 pages (including introduction, body of knowledge and conclusion, supported by not more than 10 current and relevant references).
**Case Studies:** Case studies of completed work in education related areas.
The abstracts will be reviewed according to the following criteria:

- Clarity of research/study question
- Relevance to and linkage to topical and contemporary educational issues;
- Clarity and appropriateness of methodology and conceptual framework
- Rationale, clarity and overall quality of the abstract
- Significance for policy making

Submitters will be notified whether their proposal is accepted within 2 weeks after the submission deadline. Papers presented at the workshop will be revised and published as conference proceedings while a few exemplary ones will be developed for publication a special issue of the *African Journal of Education and Lifelong Learning*

**Important Dates**

**Deadline for Submission of Abstracts** - Friday 12th September 2014

**Notification of Acceptance** - Thursday 18th September 2014

**Submission of Final Conference Papers** - Wednesday 15th October 2014

**Conference Date** - Friday 24th October 2014

**Conference fee**

All Conference participants whose papers will be accepted for presentation and those wishing to attend will be required to pay a registration fee of three thousand Kenya shillings (KSH 3,000).

All paper abstracts, final papers and related correspondences should be sent electronically to the address below:

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