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AND  
BELARUSIAN NATIONAL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY,  
FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES AND HUMANITARISATION**

**DO INVITE HEREWITH  
HIGHER EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT TEACHERS AND PHD STUDENTS,  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATION AUTHORITIES  
AND CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATION REPRESENTATIVES**

**TO TAKE PART IN THE  
INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH-TO-PRACTICE CONFERENCE  
**GENDER IN FOCUS****

**AT THE BNTU'S FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES AND HUMANITARISATION  
IN MINSK ON THE 22<sup>ND</sup> AND 23<sup>RD</sup> OF NOVEMBER 2017.**

**One of the tasks set in the acting 2017-2020 National Action Plan to Ensure Gender Equality in the Republic of Belarus is to integrate gender knowledge in the educational system:**

"Gender education and awareness is a meaningful tool for gender policy implementation. This is due to extensive opportunities education has within the process of a personal development and socialisation. Gender education provides for absorption of knowledge and skills and their application within the process of professional activities, as well as in our daily lives."

## **Conference Objectives**

- The Conference participants will be able to upgrade their knowledge in the area of gender policy, gender education and gender research in the Republic of Belarus.
- The Conference provide for a development and extension of the academic community in the gender research sphere in the Republic of Belarus.
- Participation in the Conference will enable experience sharing in the area of gender knowledge, as well as establishing relations with the Belarusian universities, state administration authorities and civil society organisations geared up towards a further implementation of joint research projects or initiatives.

## **Conference Topics**

- Gender Policy in Higher Education;
- History of Gender Studies Globally and in Belarus;
- Gender Education and Gender Pedagogy;
- Gender Research and Gender Dimension in Various Fields of Knowledge; and
- Collaboration among Universities, State Administration Authorities and Civil Society Organisations for the Purpose of Gender Education, Research and Awareness.

## MAIN CONTRIBUTORS



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# Tentative Conference Format

**Day 1:** plenary meetings.

**Day 2:** section work and presentation of the gender initiatives in the academic sphere of the Republic of Belarus.

**Conference's Working Languages:** Belarusian, Russian and English (with translation Russian/Belarusian to/from English)

## How to take part in the Conference?

**Step 1:** submitting an application and an abstract of the presentation in MS Word format to:  
[genderinfocus2017@gmail.com](mailto:genderinfocus2017@gmail.com) by 22 October 2017.

The application form is enclosed herewith below in the information letter and in a separate document;

**Step 2:** receiving the organisers' response on selection results by 5 November 2017;

and **Step 3:** taking part in the Conference on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of November 2017.

## Participant Selection

Invited to participate in the Conference are:

- higher educational establishment teachers and PhD students;
- representatives of the state administration authorities; and
- representatives of the civil society organisations.

Participation formats: in person and distance participation.

The number of participants is limited. The organisers shall select the participants based on their applications and quality of the abstracts. The selection criteria are:

- Quality of the submitted abstracts and their compliance with the conference topics, viz.:
  - Gender Policy in Higher Education;
  - History of Gender Studies Globally and in Belarus;
  - Gender Education and Gender Pedagogy;
  - Gender Research and Gender Dimension in Various Fields of Knowledge; and
  - Collaboration among Universities, State Administration Authorities and Civil Society Organisations for the Purpose of Gender Education, Research and Awareness.
- Representation of all the Belarusian regions; and
- Possible participation in the Conference for 2 full days (for in person participation only).

Abstracts from the presentation can be presented by teachers or PhD students or in a joint authorship between teachers or PhD students with students. Abstracts shall be accepted from representatives of the state administration authorities and civil society organisations, too.

Organisers shall reserve for themselves the right to select participants representing any entities of the Republic of Belarus to whom their travel expenses will be refunded and accommodation in Minsk provided for the period when the Conference is held. The relevant travel expenses shall be refunded provided tickets / ticket copies containing information on the travel cost, date and route are submitted.

## Submission of abstracts

Abstracts from the presentation can be submitted in any working language of the Conference. Requirements:

size: 3 A4 size pages; editor: MS Word 2007;

fields: upper and lower 20 mm, left 30 mm, right 10 mm;

font: Times New Roman Cyr. 12 pt;

line spacing: single, paragraph spacing: 1.25 cm;

alignment: title, section, date and time: centre, remaining text: justify.

# Application Form

	Author	Co-author(s)
Surname, name and patronymic in Russian (in full)		
Surname and name in English (in full)		
Academic title		
Scientific degree		
Position		
Job		
Contact phone number (including all area code numbers)		
E-mail address		
Do you provide your consent to distribution of your e-mail address on the Conference list of participants for further contacting? (Yes / No)		
Participation format (in person / distance)		
In case of in person participation, number of days you plan to stay at the Conference		
If you reside outside Minsk, please, indicate your planned means of transportation and a tentative fare cost (only for participants, representing entities of the Republic of Belarus)		
If you reside outside Minsk, please, indicate if you need a hotel reservation (only for participants, representing entities of the Republic of Belarus)		
Do you provide your consent to translation of your abstracts from Russian into English and vice versa for the purpose of its publication in the Conference Report Compendium? (Yes / No)		
Faculty postal address		
Abstract title in Russian		
Abstract title in English (if possible)		

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