

FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN THINKERS AND SCIENTISTS

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Abstract Submission Guidelines

"An Examination of the Wisdom of Asian Women: A Philosophical Inquiry"

1. General Requirements

Authors are invited to submit original abstracts that explore the intellectual, philosophical, scientific, cultural, historical, social, educational, or other contributions of women thinkers and scientists.

The conference welcomes interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary contributions and encourages perspectives extending beyond Asia, including Eastern, Western, European, and other global intellectual traditions, particularly where they contribute to understanding women's knowledge, wisdom, scholarship, and intellectual contributions.

Abstracts should demonstrate academic relevance, originality, clarity, and a clear connection to one or more conference themes or sub-themes.

2. Abstract Length and Formatting

- Maximum length: 500 words (recommended).
- Abstracts should be written in English.
- The abstract should be clear, concise, coherent, and academically structured.
- Avoid unnecessary quotations and extensive background information.
- Up to five references may be included where appropriate.
- References should follow APA 7th Edition style.

3. Recommended Structure of the Abstract

Title

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- Maximum 25 words.
- Clearly communicate the focus of the paper.
- Reflect the conference theme or a relevant sub-theme.
- Avoid unnecessary abbreviations.

Background / Introduction

- Introduce the intellectual, historical, philosophical, scientific, cultural, or social context.
- Identify the woman thinker/scientist, group, tradition, period, or issue being examined.
- Explain the significance of the topic and, where appropriate, refer to relevant scholarly literature.

Research Problem / Central Argument

- Clearly identify the research problem, question, gap, or intellectual issue being addressed.

- For conceptual, historical, philosophical, or theoretical papers, authors may present the central intellectual inquiry or argument instead of a conventional research problem.

Objectives / Purpose

- State clearly what the paper seeks to examine, analyse, explore, interpret, compare, critically evaluate, or contribute.

Methodology / Approach

- Where applicable, briefly describe the research design, sources/participants, data collection, analytical approach, philosophical framework, historical/documentary analysis, textual analysis, comparative approach, or other relevant methodology.
- For theoretical, philosophical, historical, or conceptual papers, authors may describe the analytical or interpretive approach rather than a conventional empirical methodology.

Key Findings / Arguments

- Present the main findings, arguments, interpretations, or insights.
- The abstract should demonstrate what the paper contributes to understanding women thinkers and scientists, their knowledge, wisdom, intellectual traditions, or broader society.

Conclusion / Significance

- Indicate the main conclusion, significance of the findings or argument, contribution to scholarship, and/or implications for contemporary knowledge, education, society, policy, or future research.

4. Suggested Abstract Format

Title

Background/Introduction

Research Problem/Purpose

Objectives

Methodology/Approach

Findings/Arguments

Conclusion/Significance

Keywords: 3–5 keywords

THEME :
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7. References

References are not compulsory for every type of submission, particularly conceptual, creative, historical, or philosophical contributions. However, where scholarly literature is used, appropriate citations should be provided.

- Maximum recommended references: 5.
- Referencing style: APA 7th Edition.
- References should be relevant and current where appropriate.

8. Inclusivity and Global Perspectives

The conference welcomes scholarship on Asian women thinkers and scientists as well as significant contributions from women across Eastern, Western, European, and other global intellectual traditions.

Comparative and cross-cultural perspectives that enhance understanding of women's knowledge, wisdom, intellectual traditions, scientific achievements, and contributions to humanity are particularly encouraged.

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9. Abstract Review Criteria

Submitted abstracts will undergo academic review based on the following criteria. Each criterion may be assessed using a 1–10 scale, resulting in a total of 100 points.

1. Relevance to the conference theme/sub-theme
2. Clarity of background and rationale
3. Clarity of research problem/purpose
4. Clarity of objectives or central inquiry
5. Engagement with relevant literature
6. Appropriateness of methodology/analytical approach
7. Quality of findings/arguments
8. Significance and originality
9. Clarity of academic writing
10. Overall contribution and interdisciplinary relevance

10. Review Decisions

- Accepted without revisions
- Accepted subject to minor revisions
- Returned for major revisions and resubmission
- Not accepted

11. Important Note for Authors

The conference recognises that contributions in philosophy, history, intellectual history, literature, cultural studies, and related fields may not follow a conventional empirical research structure. Therefore, authors are not required to provide conventional "Results and Discussion" sections where these are not appropriate. In such cases, the abstract may present key arguments, interpretations, insights, or intellectual contributions.

Accordingly, authors may use the following flexible structure: Background → Research Problem/Purpose → Objectives → Methodology/Approach → Findings/Arguments → Conclusion/Significance.

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12. Author Checklist

- Is the title concise and relevant?
- Does the abstract clearly connect with the conference theme or a relevant sub-theme?
- Is the background and rationale clearly presented?
- Is the research problem, question, purpose, or central argument clear?
- Are the objectives clearly stated?
- Is the methodology or analytical approach appropriate and sufficiently explained?
- Are the key findings, arguments, or insights clearly presented?
- Does the conclusion demonstrate the significance or contribution of the paper?
- Are 3–5 keywords provided?

- Are references, where used, presented according to APA 7th Edition?
- Has the abstract been checked for grammar, spelling, clarity, and academic style?
- Does the abstract demonstrate originality and academic contribution?

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