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ICWEL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON *Women Entrepreneurs & Leaders*

September 22nd – 24th, 2016, University of Nicosia, Cyprus

CALL FOR PAPERS

Abstract submission deadline extended until July 1st, 2016

The conference aims to pool together the insights from research and company practices concerning **gender dynamics** in women leadership and entrepreneurship. Using an **international comparative perspective**, it will examine the **role of gender in different socio-political, cultural and economic contexts** in European and Non-European Mediterranean countries. We invite researchers, and all those working in this field to submit work under the following topics:

· Women's formative experiences in leadership and entrepreneurship
· Women's impact in decision-making process on shaping organizational policy and practices
· Leaders' and Entrepreneurs' awareness of gender influence on the structuring of relationships between women and men in forums
·The salience of social categorization and mechanisms of women's potential inclusion
· Future challenges for promoting women's meaningful participation in leadership and entrepreneurship and sketching action plans
· The influence of gender issues on entrepreneurial ecosystems
· Gender issues in society
· Work-life balance issues
· Women and start-ups
· Migrant women and entrepreneurship
· Women and technology

NB: *Papers may address one or more of the above listed sub-topics, although authors should not feel limited by them. Unlisted but related sub-topics are also acceptable.*

Contribution Types

We invite both research, practice and/or policy oriented extended abstracts addressing the topics delineated in the conference objectives above, completed work as well as work in progress. The length of the extended abstract should be around 500-750 words, excluding references. All accepted abstracts will be published in the *Conference Program* and the *Abstract Book* (with an ISBN number). In addition, conference participants will have the opportunity to publish their papers in selected journals. All submitted short papers should not be longer than 3000 words (excluding references, tables, figures and appendixes).

Structure of the extended abstract/short paper:

a. Rationale and aims of your work
b. Conceptual Framework/Theoretical Background (including short relevant literature review)
c. Methodology
d. Major Findings/Insights/Mapping of the Issues
e. Discussion and Conclusions/Recommendations for Actions

Important Dates & Submission

- **1 July 2016** Abstract Submission
- **30 July 2016** Notification of Acceptance
- **30 August 2016** Final Paper Due
- **30 August 2016** Author Registration and Payment Deadline
- **22 September 2016** Conference Opening

Please visit http://www.icwel.unic.ac.cy to submit your abstract online.

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