



Digital Conference on Gendered Innovation

18th- 19th September 2024

WP4: The Alliance as an Engine for Human Capital

Call for abstracts

Invitation to online Digital Conference on Gendered Innovation 18-19 September 2024

We invite you to participate in the **Digital Conference on Gendered Innovation** that will take place online, on 18-19 September 2024. This Conference is open to both ERUA/Re:ERUA member institutions and interested stakeholders, bringing together academia, business & industry, governmental, communities, and social actors to present and discuss experiences and perspectives on gendered innovation perspectives and practices.

The initiative is held in the frame of *WP4: The Alliance as an engine for Human Capital* of the **Research component of ERUA, the European Reform University Alliance**, funded by European Union's Horizon 2020 *research and innovation programme (agreement No 101035808)* by researchers, managers and experts at the University of the Aegean in collaboration with Paris8 University, Roskilde University, University of Konstanz, and New Bulgarian University.

This conference is a pilot initiative for Gendered and inclusive innovation in the context of the WP4's objective to provide women scientists and minorities with new opportunities, improve their skills connected with innovation and the social management of technology aimed at diversity and inclusion.

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The 5th goal of the Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 2015, addresses Gender Equality and aims to ensure women and girls' equal access to quality education, economic resources, and political participation, equal opportunities for employment, leadership and decision-making at all levels, as well as the elimination of all forms of gender discrimination and violence.

Previous policies and measures to empower women and promote gender equality have been only moderately successful as testified in several indicators measuring gender equality in regions, states or globally. Consequently, a new holistic and innovative approach to gender equality is required leading to transformative shifts, integrated approaches and new solutions.

Social and technological innovations in policies, management, finance, science and technology that disrupt "business as usual" are increasingly recognized as tools to break trends and increase awareness, access and the availability of opportunities for women and especially for those who experience marginalization due to other factors also (e.g. age, ethnicity, education, income, disability, location or migratory status).

In this frame, gendered innovations as has been well argued (EU Gender Equality Strategy 2020-2025) add value to:

- research and technology by ensuring excellence and quality in outcomes and enhancing sustainability,
- society by making research more responsive to social needs,
- business by developing new ideas, patents, and technology.

The two days **digital conference** aims to:

- focus on the impact of gender and intersectional analysis on innovation and discovery,
- discuss gendered innovation in academia, business and industry, government bodies, and social actors,
- provide specific case studies on how gendered approaches lead to innovation,
- bring together academics, policy makers, entrepreneurs, organizations.

Topics

Proposed topics include (but are not limited to):

- gendered approaches in STEM and structural and institutional change in research and innovation
- gender difference in digitalization and technology use
- gender and sustainability
- gender and leadership
- gendered entrepreneurship and its impact on firm innovativeness

Abstract Submission

You are warmly invited to participate in this conference by submitting an **abstract** and a **short bio** by *10th June 2024, 23:59* (CET).

Submit your abstract [here](#).

Each abstract must not exceed 300 words and should be accompanied by up to 6 keywords. For abstract's template see below. Short bio must not exceed 250 words.

Important dates

10 June 2024 (23:59 CET)

Deadline for submission of abstract

30 June 2024

Notification of abstract acceptance

30 August 2024

Deadline for author registration (no fees required)

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