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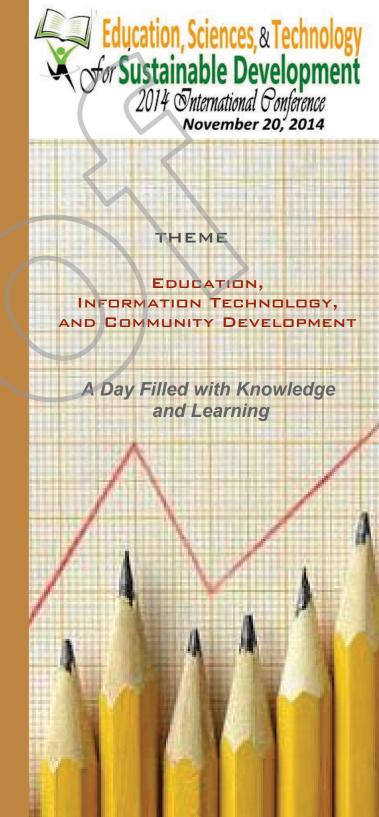
Thank you for joining us on our upcoming events!

Dr. O'Hara is a respected author, researcher and higher education executive, and is well known for her expertise in sustainable economic development, global education and executive leadership. She has experience in virtually every aspect of university administration including curriculum development, strategic planning, program accreditation, international partnerships and research collaborations.

Dr. O'Hara is a strong advocate of higher education who believes that education cannot merely provide answers to our questions, but must also question our answers. She is the founder of Global Ecology LLC, the 10th President of Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia, and held faculty and administrative positions at: Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota; Green Mountain College, Poultney, Vermont; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York; and Executive Director of the Council for International Exchange of Scholars, a preeminent international exchange organization that administers the Fulbright Scholar Program.

A native of Germany, Dr. O'Hara earned a doctorate in environmental economics and a master's degree in agricultural economics from the University of Göttingen. She serves on the board of directors of several national and international organizations. She is the President Elect of the International Society for Ecological Economics, an International Advisory Board member of King Abdul-Aziz University in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, and is a reviewer and editorial board member of several academic journals.











GUEST SPEAKER



Zeynep Kiziltepe, PhD
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Dr Kiziltepe has been working in Boğazici University, Faculty of Education since 1996. She has been offering courses on educational psychology, psychology of learning, classroom management, teaching methods, and applied research in education.

Her research interests are motivation and demotivation, occupational stress of teachers, teaching methods, and faculty development. She has papers published in Turkey, Belgium, Japan, and the United States, and a course book published on educational psychology in Turkey.

PRESENTERS

Jacqueline Allegra, Graduate Student, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, USA. Food and Agriculture Education: A Framework for the Tallahassee Community

Dr.Tennyson Mgutshini, Professor in Public Health College of Human Sciences, The University of South Africa, and Anthony Martin Okafor, Research Collaborator, The Office for Learner Support, Tuition and Community Engagement, College of Human Sciences, University of South Africa. Technology Driven Education and Its Impact on Student Retention, Attrition and Completion Rates in Postgraduate Open-distance Learners - A Comparative Time Review of Recruitment and Retention on a Media Studies Program at a University in South Africa.

HONORAY GUEST SPEAKER



Jing Lin, PhD
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Dr. Jing Lin has done extensive research on peace education and environmental education, which result in books entitled Love, Peace and Wisdom in Education:Vision for Education in the 21st Century (2006), Educators as Peace Makers: Transforming Education for Global Peace (2008), Spirituality, Religion, and Peace Education (2010), and Transformative Eco-Education for Human and Planetary Survival (2012). She is the co-editor of two book series, one on Peace Education, and the other on Transforming Education for the Future.

Professor Lin has also been an expert on Chinese education. She has published five books on Chinese education, culture and society, systematically examining educational changes in China in the last three decades.

THEME SPEAKERS

Richard A. Uribe Hincapié, Teacher, Faculty of Education, Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, Medellin, Columbia. Reading and Writing Process as vehicles to Face Education Challenges

Rae Suter, PHD Candidate, Keio University, English Teacher, Kenshin Kindergarden, Kanagawa, Japan. How Children Draw: the Effects of Cultural Aspects on Children's Instruction Compliance

GUEST SPEAKERS



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Dr. Seggie's research interests include an examination of howdemocracy, secularism and religion manifest within higher education inthe Middle East and Turkey; policy development and analysis ineducation, issues of gender and identity in higher education systems, and analysis of organizational change and leadership in developing countries.



Julian Wang, PhD
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His research includes sustainable buildings, architectural technology, and urban sustainability. He received Ph.D. degree of Architecture at Texas A&M University. Previously, He worked at Tsinghua University, China, and UC Berkeley, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

Dr. Wang also serves as a co-director for A3 Architects Group in Beijing, and most of his professional practices is related to sustainable buildings. In recent years, he endeavors to be a bridging role between research and practices in the area of building sustainability.