



## **The Fifth International Arab Conference on Quality Assurance in Higher Education (IACQA'2015)**

**University of Sharjah-United Arab Emirates**

**3-5/3/2015**

**Call for Papers**

The Fifth International Arab Conference on Quality Assurance in Higher Education (IACQA'2015) is a scientific refereed conference specialized in quality assurance in higher education. It is held annually in one of the Arab universities and Zarqa University in Jordan has been chosen to be the Permanent Secretariat Headquarters since the conference was first held in 2011.

This conference gathers Arab universities in an up-to-date experiment came into existence at Zarqa University, Jordan. The first conference was held at Zarqa University, Jordan in 2011, the 2<sup>nd</sup> at Gulf University, Bahrain in 2012, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> conference was held at Al-Zaytoonah University, Jordan in 2013, the 4<sup>th</sup> at Zarqa University, Jordan 2014 and the 5<sup>th</sup> will be held at University of Sharjah, UAE 2015

### **University of Sharjah**

University of Sharjah is seeking to become one of the distinguished pioneer universities in the Arab World in its comprehensive academic programs and educational methods in order to engage students and prepare them for holding leadership roles in the community as it is considered an important international educational centre that seeks to improve the quality of the life of human beings.

### **Topics of Conference**

#### **1. Philosophical and Ethical Framework of Quality and Excellence:**

- Philosophical and ethical principles
- Current principles and theories
- Culture of quality in contemporary contexts of universities

#### **2. Mechanisms of Applying Quality Assurance Standards of University Systems:**

- Within educational institutions
- Within Academic Programs
- Within scientific research and community service

#### **3. Quality Management in Higher Education:**

- Role of deanships and quality assurance units
- Experiments in applying quality management systems
- University self-study methodologies

#### **4. Schematic and Economic Dimension of Quality:**

- Strategic planning
- Quality Economics: Advantages and disadvantages

- Strategic plans of universities and plans of achieving quality and excellence

#### **5. Assessment models and contemporary experiences in quality assurance in academic education:**

- Assessment of International experiences and Arabic experience.

#### **6. Models of Innovated university quality assurance:**

- Research University models.
- Technological University models.
- Electronic University models.
- Distant learning.

#### **7. Arab Universities' Ranking:**

- Future quest of Arab Universities on international ranking quality.
- Indicators for Arab Universities ranking.

Interested researchers may submit their papers in Arabic or English. The maximum number of pages is 15, including all diagrams, illustrations, tables and references. The first page must contain the title of the research, the author's name, the Institution/

University/ Country and the E-mail address. The research must start with an abstract, followed by the keywords, then the rest of the paper, starting with an introduction and ending with the references. Papers should be addressed to the General Secretariat of the conference email at [iacqa@iacqa.org](mailto:iacqa@iacqa.org), they may also be uploaded on the electronic conferences management system at the website [www.iacqa.org/openconf](http://www.iacqa.org/openconf). Papers must be typed in Ms Word 2003. The submitted papers should have scientific review by specialists in the research field. Finally, accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings book.

### **Important Dates**

Submission of papers: 30/11/2014.  
Notification of acceptance: 30/12/2014.  
Camera-ready submission: 15/1/2015.  
Registration: 1/2/2015.  
Conference period: December 3-5/3/2015.  
Tourist trip: 6/3/2015.

### **Registration fees**

- ❖ 250\$ for participation with a paper.
- ❖ 250\$ for participation without a paper.
- ❖ 200\$ for attending the workshops.
- ❖ 500\$ for attending the conference and workshops.

### **Registration fees cover:**

1. Conference bag and stationery
2. Conference proceedings book
3. Lunch
4. Tourist trip on 6/3/2015

### **The Higher Committee of the Conference:**

- Prof. Mahmoud A –Wadi/ President of Zarqa University/ Secretary General of IACQA.
- Prof. Hameed Majool Al-Naemy/ the acting president of University of Sharjah/ Secretary General participating in the conference.
- Prof. Mohammad Raafat/ Association of Arab Universities.
- Prof. Isam Al-Adeen Ajamy/ University of Sharjah.

### **Organizing Committee:**

- Prof. Mahmoud Al Wadi / President of Zarqa University/Secretary general of the conference.
- Prof. Mohamed Raafat / Association of Arab Universities / member.
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