October 26-28, 2016
Moon Palace Hotel, Ocho Rios, Jamaica

CALL FOR PAPERS

Conference Theme
"ICT & the Human Factor: Agents of Social and Economic Transformation."

This Annual Symposium combines two important events, the EduVision Conference and EdTech/e-Learning Jamaica Symposium that focus on ICT in education. The partnership brings together the Jamaica Tertiary Education Commission (J-TEC), e-Learning Jamaica, The University of the West Indies (UWI), University of Technology, Jamaica (UTech, JA), Jamaica Teachers' Association (JTA), HEART Trust NTA and ICT-4D.

The three-day symposium provides the opportunity for educators, industry leaders and policymakers to discuss the status of learning in the areas of, curriculum design, policy, teaching, professional development and teaching and learning strategies. The sessions will examine the direction and progress that Jamaica has made and strategies to overcome current and impending challenges. Participants will have opportunities for professional development through multi-disciplinary discussions and exchange of perspectives of educators, researchers, administrators, technologists, policymakers, employers and other stakeholders.

SUB-THEMES
EduVision/e-LJam invites papers that take into consideration the conference theme to address the following sub-themes:

Best practices in the field of e-Learning
- Exploring 21st Century best teaching practices in the e-Learning sector
- Assistive technologies for the teaching of special needs students
- The most effective use of ICT for meeting the needs of the digital learner
- Innovative use of ICT to expand access to education and training
- Instructional practices that promote student creativity and critical thinking
- Examining the effectiveness of Blended and/or Online Learning
- Effective Web 2.0 Integration
- Online Assessment : Providing Authentic Assessment

Reforming teacher education for the 21st Century
- Defining imperatives for reforming teacher education in Jamaica
- Professional Development and Teacher preparation for the e-Learning environment

- Embedding the digital culture into the educational system
- Programming and Robotics

Evaluation of ICT educational programmes

- Evaluating the current Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) in the Jamaican education landscape
- Research findings on the effectiveness of ICT initiatives in Jamaica

Technology leadership and e-Learning in resource constrained settings

- The role of teachers and administrators (technology leaders) in the successful integration of ICT in education
- Examining plans for the enhancement of the ICT landscape in Jamaica
- Technology Infrastructure and resources: Imperatives for e-Learning
  Entrepreneurship and ICT in education

Selection process

Submissions will be reviewed by a panel consisting of educators, ICT professionals and researchers who are part of the EduVision/e-LJam planning committee.

Submission guidelines

Proposals for papers should include the following

- Presentation Title
- Presenter(s) full name, affiliation(s) and contact details
- Objectives and scope of the presentation
- Sub-theme
- Abstracts should provide information in the following areas;
    - Key issues to be addressed
    - Objective and scope of the presentation
    - Relevance of the presentation to the conference theme
    - Impact of the work and practical applicability to Jamaica
    - Type of research: survey, case study, historical analysis, exploratory paper
- Language: English
- Paper Length: At least 5 pages (excluding works cited/bibliography)
- Spacing: Double
- Font: Times New Roman, 12 point
- Word Citation style: APA

All presentations will be released to the conference website for public viewing. Full papers may be requested from the authors.

Important Dates

- Deadline date for Submission for Abstracts: June 14. 2016
- Notification of Acceptance of Abstract   July 14, 2016
- Presentations should be submitted by   October 7, 2016

All presenters must be registered for the conference.

Presentation formats

- Plenaries - 60 minutes
- Workshops - 90 minutes hours (concurrent)
- Exhibits and posters—all day
- Research Paper presentations and ED Tech talks **-**20 minutes
- Keynote presentations - 45 minutes

Submit papers to: eduvision.eljamconference@gmail.com

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