



**2<sup>nd</sup> Call for Papers**

# The Asia-Pacific Educational Research Association International Conference 2006

## **Educational Research, Policy, and Practice in an Era of Globalization: The Asia Pacific Perspectives and Beyond**

28-30 November 2006, Hong Kong

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### **INVITATION**

Facing the challenge of globalization on nearly every aspect of our lives, educators and policy-makers in each country in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond have drawn their attention on how to effectively reform education and prepare their next generation to meet the challenges in education.

Moving towards the future, we believe that all initiatives for effective planning, organizing, implementing, and restructuring education should be supported by research-based knowledge. The experiences, knowledge, and insights gained from, and even difficulties encountered in education reforms in one country can become very good lessons to other countries. Therefore, the APERA 2006 Conference is organized for researchers, educators, and policy makers in the Region and other parts of the world to share their innovative initiatives, frontier experiences, cutting-edge findings, and noble visions of education reforms.

The aim of the Conference is to contribute to vision creation, knowledge advancement, and policy-making in such a way that reform efforts and education practices for our students' future in the new century can be rationalized, substantively and instrumentally. The expected outcome is optimization and integration of the efforts of researchers, educators, and policy-makers in the Asia-Pacific region and other international communities to effectuate educational development in a dynamic context of globalization, location, and individualization with the Asia-Pacific perspectives and beyond.

## THEME

With the Asia-Pacific perspectives and beyond, various themes of educational research, policy, and practices have emerged in many countries, such as:

- ♦ Access and equity in education;
- ♦ Application of information technology in education;
- ♦ Teacher education and educational changes;
- ♦ Changes in language education and medium of instruction;
- ♦ Issues in early childhood education and basic education;
- ♦ Educational reform and national development;
- ♦ Expansion and restructuring of higher education;
- ♦ Life long learning, adult learning, and professional training;
- ♦ Reforms in curriculum, pedagogy and assessments;
- ♦ Leadership and professional development;
- ♦ Management of reforms in school education;
- ♦ Marketization and privatization in education;
- ♦ Reforms in vocational/ technical education;
- ♦ Linking research with policy and practice.

Papers and symposiums that address issues in these themes are welcome for presentation at the Conference.

## VENUE

The APERA International Conference 2006 will be held in the campus of The Hong Kong Institute of Education, Hong Kong, SAR China. The 12.5 hectare campus provides a nice environment, comprehensive meeting facilities, and the professional audio-visual aids for presentations.

## KEYNOTE/PLENARY SPEAKERS

Distinguished scholars, educators and leaders in the Asia-Pacific region and other parts of the world will be invited to be keynote and plenary speakers at the Conference.

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM

| Dates<br>Sessions | 28 Nov 2006,<br>Tuesday                              | 29 Nov 2006,<br>Wednesday  | 30 Nov 2006,<br>Thursday                   |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| AM<br>Sessions    | Opening<br>Ceremony &<br>Keynote/Plenary<br>Sessions | Plenary Sessions<br>&<br>Parallel Sessions                       | Plenary Sessions<br>&<br>Parallel Sessions |
| PM<br>Sessions    | Plenary Sessions<br>&<br>Parallel Sessions           | SIG Meetings/<br>Parallel<br>Sessions/<br>Educational<br>Visits# | Parallel Sessions<br>Closing<br>Symposium  |
| Evening           | ----   | Banquet  | ----                                       |

#Free visits to Hong Kong education sectors may be arranged in the afternoon session of 29 November 2006 or after the conference period.

## LANGUAGE

The official language of the Conference is English with some parallel sessions in Chinese.

## PUBLICATION

Keynote/plenary speeches and outstanding papers will be considered for publications.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Interested educators, scholars and researchers are invited to make submissions for paper/poster/symposium/workshop presentations through online submission at the conference web to the Conference Secretariat **by 30 June 2006**.

([http://www.ied.edu.hk/apera2006/submission/proposal\\_e.htm](http://www.ied.edu.hk/apera2006/submission/proposal_e.htm))

## BANQUET

The APERA Banquet will be held in the evening of 29 November 2006. Cantonese cuisine, which is a recognizable aspect of Chinese culture will be served. Participants are strongly encouraged to attend this social gathering.

## REGISTRATION

Please complete the online registration form and make electronic payment through online registration system. ([http://www.ied.edu.hk/apera2006/main/main\\_e\\_reg.html](http://www.ied.edu.hk/apera2006/main/main_e_reg.html)). Payment may also be done by bank draft, cheque or telex transfer. The registration fee covers the conference handbook, 3 light lunches, refreshment breaks, banquet, and all transport between functions. (Registration fee is non-refundable)

|   | Member<br>(Already have<br>valid<br>individual<br>membership) | Non-member<br>(Do not want<br>to join<br>membership) | *Non-member / Ex-member<br>(Want to join or renew<br>individual membership<br>+membership fee HK\$156 /<br>US\$20) |
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| <b>Early Bird<br/>Registration</b> (by<br>31 August 2006)   | HK\$1,903<br>(US\$244)  | HK\$2,098<br>(US\$269)                               | HK\$1,903+156=HK\$2,059<br>(US\$244+20=US\$264)  |
| <b>Regular Full<br/>Registration</b><br>(by 28 October<br>2006)   | HK\$2,199<br>(US\$282)  | HK\$2,402<br>(US\$308)                               | HK\$2,199+156=HK\$2,355<br>(US\$282+20=US\$302)  |
| <b>Late<br/>Registration</b><br>(*Additional<br>Charge HK\$156<br>/ US\$20)<br>(after 28 October<br>2006) | HK\$2,355<br>(US\$302)  | HK\$2,558<br>(US\$328)                               | HK\$2,355+156=HK\$2,511<br>(US\$302+20=US\$322)  |
| <b>Local School<br/>Practitioners &amp;<br/>F/T Research<br/>Students</b>                                 | HK\$500<br>(banquet & lunches are not included)               |  |  |

\*Welcome Registration as an APERA member  
(see the APERA website: [www.apera.org](http://www.apera.org))

## ACCOMMODATIONS

| Hotel  | Regal Riverside Hotel                                     | HK\$700 - 950 Nett/room/night                             |
|--------|---|---|
|        | The Royal Plaza Hotel                                     | HK\$880 Nett/room/night                                   |
|        | The Royal Park Hotel                                      | HK\$960 Nett/room/night                                   |
| Hostel | The Hong Kong Institute of<br>Education -- Student Hostel | HK\$200* night/unit<br>(*Price valid until 30 June 2006.) |

Hotels and University hostel are available for reservation. For details, please go to the conference website ([http://www.ied.edu.hk/apera2006/main/main\\_e\\_acc.html](http://www.ied.edu.hk/apera2006/main/main_e_acc.html)).

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