

## *Calls for papers*

### **'Managing Rapid Social Change and Growing Diversity: Social Policy Responses and Changing Governance in East Asia':** The 10<sup>th</sup> EASP(East Asian Social Policy) International Annual Conference 2013, Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China, 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> July, 2013.

The 10th EASP (East Asian Social Policy Network) International Annual Conference will be held at the Beijing Normal University, China on 'Managing Rapid Social Change and Growing Diversity: Social Policy Responses and Changing Governance in East Asia'.

East Asian countries and communities are facing new social challenges as result of rapid social change and growing diversity. Fast changing economies and societies in East Asia present a rather complicated picture and their experiences may be different from other countries in the world in terms of their speed, cultural aspects and complexity. In managing these challenges, governments are developing social policies and the East Asian welfare states are going through some restructuring. Historical background and unique features also pose new questions as to the future path and characteristics of governance in the region. The EASP international conference will provide a forum for lively discussion to address a range of issues relating to these challenges, identify future research agenda and discuss the role of social policy.

We particularly wish to invite papers that reflect this theme, however, **also invite papers on any aspects of social policy within the East Asian region** and stress that papers from outside of this theme will be accommodated, as is the usual practice for the EASP.

In addition to single papers, **we also strongly encourage proposals for symposia**, whereby three or more abstracts linked to a particular theme are submitted for consideration. Symposia will allow participants to engage more deeply with their special interests and create a space for focused debate on specific themes.

Stream 1: Education

Stream 2: Family and care

Stream 3: Health and Well-being

Stream 4: Housing

Stream 5: Immigration and diversity

Stream 6: Ageing society and old age

Stream 7: Labour Markets

Stream 8: Political Economy of Welfare and Welfare regimes

Stream 9: Social Protection and Income Maintenance

Stream 10: Economic & Environmental Sustainability

Stream 11: Governance

For papers, abstracts of 200 to 300 words should be submitted in a Word file email attachment to [esp2013beijing@gmail.com](mailto:esp2013beijing@gmail.com). Proposals for symposia should consist of a 200 word outline of the aims of the symposium together with contributors' abstracts. Proposals will be reviewed by the EASP Committee prior to acceptance. The closing date for the submission of abstracts and proposals is **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2013**. Full papers must be submitted electronically to the same address by **30 June 2013**.

Postgraduates are also invited to attend the conference. Options for participation include: a presentation in a regular conference stream; a presentation in a session closed to postgraduates only; and show-casing your research in a poster presentation. Please follow guidelines for submission as outlined above. On your submission, it is essential that you record your status as a postgraduate and mark your chosen option as: 'Presentation'; 'Postgraduate presentation'; or 'Poster'.

**Details regarding registration fees, accommodation and the location will be announced at the end of March, 2013.**