



# World Learning Summit **2017**

CALL FOR SCIENTIFIC PAPERS  
WORLD LEARNING SUMMIT / LINQ 2017,  
JUNE 6TH – 10TH

**EXTENDED Deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**

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<http://www.worldlearningsummit.com>

## General information

THE WORLD LEARNING SUMMIT (WLS) and the LEARNING INNOVATION AND QUALITY CONFERENCE (LINQ) are joining forces. We welcome submissions of scientific papers to the 2017 summit. Please see our website for general information.

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The theme for this year's summit is "SMART UNIVERSITIES" .

This signals a perspective on "education's digital future" in the context of interconnecting academic and entrepreneurial fields. The summit addresses pedagogy, sociology, technology, the arts and humanities, as well as management and the economics of future education spaces in a networked world.

Universities are knowledge hubs and change agents in the creative community of which they are a part. Smart Universities and colleges provide innovative teachers training, reflecting back to society the 21<sup>st</sup> century values and skills that children learn in school. Universities and colleges are arenas and spaces for student creativity, entrepreneurship and innovations in learning.

Education, learning and technology have always been premised on each other. Profound changes emerged with the development of Web 2.0 and 3.0. The question is whether these changes now call into question basic traditions and paradigms of education and learning?

The film economy, the music economy and the news media economy are all undergoing transition, caused by changing economic flows. How does this reflect on education's future?

Learning institutions now employ rich media environments, utilizing a wide range of tools and services. Learning at scale through Massive Open Online Course (MOOCs) reflects not only changing configurations of time and space in education, but also the coming of "analytic data" to shape an ever more user-reflective experience.

The convergence of a wide range of different media formats also challenge education institutions to re-think modes and strategies of collaboration.

From a full plenary with global thought leaders on Day one (June 7<sup>th</sup>), the summit proceeds to various tracks and workshops. Presenters signing up for academic presentations on Days 2 and 3 (June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>) will be grouped according to theme.

## Information to Authors submitting papers

### *Thematic orientation*

The Call for Scientific Papers invites full papers as well as PhD projects.

Below is a list of suggested topics for the submission of scientific papers:

- Vision, policies and needs for change in learning, education and training
- Strategies and implementations for smart universities and for open education
- Innovative and sustainable quality models and methodologies for future learning
- Practical experiences and implementations of online educational technologies
- Institutional and organizational requirements and needs of smart universities
- Conceptual and quality needs and approaches for opening up education
- Competences and skills required for future learning, business and societies
- Design and development of high-quality open education, OER and MOOCs
- Open education in the perspective of globalization and development
- Smart Universities in relation to the network society
- Quality methods and tools to evaluate and improve education
- Life-long learning in a networked world
- Certification of open and online education in institutions, programs and courses
- Innovative learning design
- Societal aspects of future learning and innovation in education

### *Organisation of the Academic Track*

The Open Call of the World Learning Summit 2017 invites full papers with a maximum of eight pages as well as PhD projects with maximum four pages. All submissions to the Call for Scientific Papers meeting the topics and requirements below will be evaluated by international experts in a strict double-blind peer review. Authors of selected submissions will be invited to publish them in the WLS / LINQ proceedings and present them in the Academic Track of the WLS 2017. The Academic Track will be organized as a series of panels with several papers for each panel. 15 minutes of presentation time and 5 minutes of question time for each full paper will be followed by a joint Q/A time for each panel. In addition, WLS / LINQ 2017 also offers a PhD project track, in which PhD students from across the world are invited to present and discuss their ongoing PhD projects, mentored by high-level academic peers.

### *Templates*

To facilitate your writing, we have uploaded a template for scientific papers on our website. PhD students presenting their projects are asked to use the same template.

<http://wls.futurelearninglab.org/calls/>

## Deadlines

Submissions to the Call for Papers are due ~~March 15<sup>th</sup>~~ **Extended: April 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**.

Submission address and feedback details: <http://wls.futurelearninglab.org/calls/>

## Publication

WLS / LINQ 2017 will invite presenters to publish their papers in our summit proceedings. Continuing the LINQ proceedings, the summit proceedings are the 5th issue of its series: Thus, it can and will be submitted for indexing by Scopus, Emerging Sources Citation Index, Web of Science, Directory of Open Access Journals, EdTech Journals, Google Scholar, DBLP and Norwegian register of scientific journals, series and publishers. Accepted full papers and PhD projects will be printed on paper (with ISBN) and distributed to all summit participants and online under global open access license. Short paper proceedings (extended abstracts of the paper presentation, with references) will be published online. For further details on the various citation services, please review the websites.

Submitters will be informed of their acceptance by May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. The official summit proceedings will be published (with ISBN) and distributed to all summit participants and online under global open access license. Prize-winning papers will be invited for publication in an international journal.

## Overview of important dates

- Paper submission deadline: ~~March 15<sup>th</sup>~~ **Extended: April 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**
- Notification of acceptance: ~~April 30<sup>th</sup>~~ **Extended: May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017**
- Camera-Ready copy due: ~~April 30<sup>th</sup>~~ **Extended: May 16<sup>th</sup> 2017**
- Summit days: June 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> 2017
- Pre- and post-summit meetings: June 6<sup>th</sup> and June 10<sup>th</sup>

## Fees

Attendance is subject to a summit fee and requires registration through the summit website, as space is limited. The summit fee includes all provisions June 7<sup>th</sup> – June 9<sup>th</sup>, including warm lunches, coffee breaks, the summit bag, and a copy of the official summit proceedings.

At least one author has to register at the summit for the publication of an accepted full paper in the proceedings and the presentation at the summit.

Full papers presented at the summit and submitted by the deadline, will receive the summit fee equal to the Early Bird registration.

Please check our website on this link: <http://wls.futurelearninglab.org/registration-2017/>

## Summit partners

The summit is partnered by the **University of Agder** - South Norway, BI Norwegian Business School – Oslo, **Stanford University** – Silicon Valley, and **Open University of the Netherlands**.



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