

# The Association of Commonwealth Universities



We write to invite your interest in two forthcoming events.

**First**, as part of the ACU's Centenary celebrations in 2013, and following on from last year's Gender Conference, the ACU, in conjunction with the University of Nairobi, is hosting a conference on the theme of '**Enhancing gender equity in the leadership and management of higher education**'.

The conference will be held on 26 August 2013 at Taifa Hall, University of Nairobi, Kenya and we are delighted to announce that the keynote speaker will be Professor Olive Mugenda, Vice-Chancellor of Kenyatta University and ACU Council member. We are also delighted that Professor Mugenda will be joined on the platform by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nairobi, Professor George Magoha; and that other speakers during the day will include Professor Lucy Irungu from the University of Nairobi, Professor Maithree Wickramasinghe from Sri Lanka, Dr Jasbir Singh from Malaysia, Dr Anne Gold and Dorothy Garland from the UK. They will also be joined by other senior government officials who will be with us if their diaries allow.

This conference will be open to Vice Chancellors, principals and senior academic and administrative staff from as many sister universities, colleges, polytechnics and other tertiary institutions in East Africa and the neighbouring countries (and / or further afield) as may wish to be involved in exploring this important issue. Student leaders will also be welcomed as they need to prepare themselves for the issues they are likely to encounter in their anticipated future careers.

Registration for the conference is now open on the ACU website, via this link: <https://www.acu.ac.uk/nairobi-2013>, or by contacting Dr. Aseey at the University of Nairobi, whose contact details appear below.

The **second** event will be a four day **Training of Trainers workshop** (27<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> August 2013) for women participants drawn from Universities and Colleges around Kenya. The aim of the workshop will be to develop a network of highly trained and highly confident professional key trainers who will be equipped to collaborate extensively across the region, to draw on each other's strengths and, together, not only establish and deliver sustainable management development programmes for women in higher education in Kenya / East Africa but also introduce such other initiatives as will help to embed gender equitable practices in their region.

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**ASSOCIATION OF COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITIES**

in association with the

**UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI**

presents a

**ONE-DAY CONFERENCE**

followed by:

**WOMEN, GENDER & LEADERSHIP IN HIGHER EDUCATION:**

**TRAINING OF TRAINERS WORKSHOP**

**Conference:** Monday 26 August 2013: 'Enhancing gender equity in the leadership and management of higher education'

**Conference venue:** Taifa Hall, University of Nairobi (main campus)

**Workshop:** Tuesday 27 to Friday 30 August 2013 inclusive

**Workshop venue:** Nairobi Safari Club (Lillian Towers), University Way, Nairobi

**Workshop Aim:** To develop a network of highly trained and highly confident professional key trainers who will be equipped to collaborate extensively across the region, to draw on each other's strengths, strengthen each other's weaknesses and, together, not only establish and deliver sustainable management development programmes for women in higher education in Kenya/East Africa but also introduce such other initiatives as will help to embed gender equitable practices in their region.

**Workshop Objectives:**

- Working with a selection of ACU's training modules, to train and equip a group of women with the skills required for conducting training programmes both for colleagues in their own university and/or for women in other institutions of higher education nationally or regionally
- To promote an understanding of how women professionals learn and develop
- To explore the relationship between process and content when planning training programmes for women in leadership and management in higher education

- To evaluate and adapt, for the local context, training materials produced by authors from all over the Commonwealth and tested by participants at previous workshops
- To provide the theoretical underpinning that will support management development programmes
- To adapt, plan and take back the outline and materials for training programmes to be delivered either in the participants' own university, or for women in or from neighbouring higher education institutions; and to develop networks to sustain those programmes.

**Registration fees** for the conference and for the workshop are as follows:

### **Conference Registration fee**

Delegates from ACU member universities\*: USD 100(Kshs8, 500.00)

\*Follow this link to check whether your university is an ACU member:

<https://www.acu.ac.uk/membership/acu-members/>

All other delegates (excepting student leaders): USD 120 (Kshs.10, 000.00)

Student leaders: USD 53 (Kshs 4,500.00)

### **Workshop Registration fee**

Participants from ACU member universities\*: USD 476 (Kshs 40,000.00)

All other participants: USD 500 (Kshs.42, 500.00)

*N.B. These workshop charges include the one day conference registration fee but do not include accommodation costs.*

The conference registration fee may either be paid to the ACU via the website registration: <https://www.acu.ac.uk/calendar/event/view?id=19>; or deposited in the University of Nairobi account. If the latter, the deposit slip should be sent or brought to the secretariat on the conference day. The workshop registration fee should be paid direct to the

University of Nairobi as soon as a place on the programme has been confirmed by Dr. Anne Aseeey at the University of Nairobi (email: aaseey@uonbi.ac.ke).

Details of the University of Nairobi accounts are as follows;

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