

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

**PEGASUS** is a thought stimulating conference, convening leaders, change-makers, and participants from multiple disciplines to engage in discourse about actions and policies to improve unacceptable levels of poor health. The 2018 PEGASUS conference: ***From Evidence to Action*** will feature cutting edge themes, interactive skill building workshops, symposia and posters!

Each year, PEGASUS identifies a number of themes to help focus discussions and provide engaging, stimulating and interactive structure to the conference program. Students, scholars, researchers, professionals and change-makers from all disciplines are welcome to present papers, posters, and join discussions on all topics relevant to Peace, Global Health and Sustainability!

### Plenary sessions will concentrate conversations on a variety of topics:

- Climate Change and Global Health
- Evidence-based decision-making and the action of the Evidence for Democracy
- The humanitarian impacts of nuclear weapons and how to take action
- Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons
- Epidemiology and social justice
- Global mental health
- Evidence in community health

### Interactive Skill-Building Workshops include:

- Indigenous Health
- The Rise of Hate and Nationalism
- Children and War
- Advocacy on Environmental Health Issues
- Resource Extraction, Human Health Sustainability
- Food Sovereignty and Health
- Prison Health
- Harm Reduction

Do your interests lie in any of our themes? Are you working on a project or conducting research at the intersection of any of these four sub-themes? You're invited to submit an abstract to present a paper or poster! Submissions can address any global health topic, and must directly relate to the conference theme-From Evidence to Action, and address at least one of the sub-themes below. Abstracts are due by **January 31, 2018**.

**Peace:** Peace-Health Connections; Conflict Health Connections; Indigenous Rights & Conflicts; Peace Education; Peaceful Childhoods; War Violence, Weapons & Health; War-Disability-Health; Advocacy.

**Global Health - Local:** Poverty - Homelessness; Inner City Challenges; Refugee Health; Indigenous Health Disabilities & Marginalization; Creating Organizations, Tools & Sustainable Interventions; Advocacy & Policy.

**Global Health - International:** Ethics & Ethical Relationships; Sustainable Development Goals; Gender & Health; Maternal Child Health; Pedagogy; North-South Partnerships; Natural & Man-made Disasters; Epidemics; Use of Technologies to Overcome Disparities; Advocacy.

**Sustainability:** Ethics; Energy & Economic Choices; Environmental Stewardship & Global Change; Climate Change; Indigenous Health Resources & Rights; Personal & Health System Changes; War & the Environment; Advocacy

**Other:** if your submission doesn't address one of the above sub-themes, please provide a brief justification for your topic's relevance to the overall conference theme).

## SESSION FORMATS

**Posters:** One presenter, with or without co-authors

**Symposia:** Total time - 1.5 hours; Between three and five presenters; A symposium is meant to provide an in-depth examination of a specific topic from the different points of view or experiences of the presenters. A 20-30-minute question and answer and discussion period is recommended to allow for audience participation.

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Abstract submission deadline: **January 31, 2018 by 5 pm (ET)**
- **All abstracts must follow the guidelines outlined below:**
  - Abstracts may be submitted in English
  - Abstracts must be **submitted online:**  
<https://csihevents.org/peg2018/callforpresentations>
  - Abstracts should not exceed **400 words**
  - Abstract titles should not exceed **150 characters** (including spaces) and should not be in all caps. An example of correct formatting is: Global capacity for emerging infectious diseases and surveillance.
- Notification of abstract acceptance or rejection will be sent by **February 28, 2018**

### **Abstracts for Posters should be structured as follows:**

- Issue/problem - Describe the issue/problem including the background and rationale, settings and time frame. Demonstrate how the issue addresses the sub-theme identified.
- Objectives - describe the learning objectives
- Methodology – describe the methodology and global health significance of the topic
- Results - Present the results (effects/changes), ensuring the questions asked are properly answered. Statements such as ‘Results will be presented at the conference’ will not be accepted. If appropriate, state that the results are preliminary.
- Lessons to date - State only those lessons that are directly supported by the project results. Highlight the importance of the lessons learnt for other settings/countries.
- Main messages - Summarize the work in 2-3 brief key messages

### **Abstracts for Symposia should contain:**

- Background - explain the global health topic to be addressed, need for and rationale for organizing the symposium.
- Learning Objectives - Outline what the participants can expect to learn through this symposium.
- Topics - Indicate the issues to be discussed and discussion points covered by the panel speakers, the link between the panels topics, and the format for the session.

- Main messages - Summarize the impact of your proposed symposium in 2-3 brief key messages.
- Target Audience

Sufficient and precise information must be provided in the abstract to permit evaluation by reviewers. Statements such as "additional information to be presented at the meeting" are not acceptable.

**All presenters must be registered at the conference. Please note that the conference organizers do not provide honoraria or awards for travel or accommodation. If external travel sponsorships do become available, they will be posted on the conference website.**

### EVALUATION CRITERIA

All submitted abstracts will be peer-reviewed by the Abstract Review Committee in February 2018. Each abstract will be reviewed by up to 3 reviewers according to the following criteria:

#### **Posters:**

- Relevance to the overall theme and sub-themes
- Is the abstract/research innovative?
- Are the design and methods of the research appropriate?
- Can the research be used in other countries/settings?
- Are the lessons to be learned relevant to others?

#### **Symposia:**

- Relevance to the overall theme and sub-themes
- Value and clarity of the learning objectives
- Coherence of presentations in relation to objectives
- Diversity of the speakers on the panel

#### **Questions? Contact:**

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