

# GenderEconomics

## GlobalConference 2014

### Call for Papers, Sydney June 10-11, 2014

We are now inviting Academic Papers and Speaker submissions for the Gender Economics Global Conference June 10-11 2014, Sydney Australia in the areas of **POLICY, INVESTMENT, ENVIRONMENT and HEALTH**

This is a working conference and combines a blend of practitioner, business case study and academic research to 'unpick' how economic policy is constructed and how it affects gender. It will look at how the current economic and business strategies influences gendered decision-making and will provide real life examples of how Gender Economics can provide practical solutions for business.

Although the economic empowerment of women is an important part of the conference, it should not be seen as a 'Women's Conference' as Gender Economics is gender neutral and looks at both the positive and negative impacts of gendered decision-making and how this affects all gendered identities. By understanding how economic and organisational 'barriers' to equality have been created, we have a better chance of developing new discourses for solutions.

The Conference is the first activity of the Centre for Gender Economics, promoting Gender Economics as an emerging field of study that builds on the theories of diversity and promotes the value of gender balance, particularly in the area of innovation and creativity. The Centre for Gender Economics has the following aims;

- 1) To be the repository for research and information on Gender Economics, and
- 2) To turn this data into practical actions and programs for business, communities and policy makers in a form that is user friendly and easily applied by business to enhance performance and innovation.

*"Gender Economics is about "dissecting and creating a new discourse around economic theory that fuses Economics, Gender and Sociology" (Susanne Moore 2013)*

The Gender Economics Global Conference has the following aims;

- To raise awareness of the emerging field of Gender Economics by linking current gender issues with academic and case study (field) research;
- To challenge current economic theory, broadening the conversation to encompass sociological complexities currently at play in society – ie: to deconstruct economic policy, reconstructing it in a manner that allows us to develop rational and objective tracks for further research;
- To highlight concrete ways that diversity (Diversity Economics) can be a positive impact on economics, and to commence discussions on proactive solutions for measuring this impact;
- To ensure that the discussion is gender neutral and provides open discourses for inclusion of all genders to further proactive and positive conversations about Gender Economics in the wider community

You can find out more on the website at [www.centreforgendereconomics.org](http://www.centreforgendereconomics.org)