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**Session Chairs and Panel Members:**

People from IIT's, NIT's and any other notable universities.

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Important Dates	
Last Date of Abstract Submission	15 <sup>th</sup> October, 2020
Full Paper Submission	30 <sup>th</sup> October, 2020
Registration Dates	1 <sup>st</sup> November, 2020 - 10 <sup>th</sup> November, 2020
Conference Dates	25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2020

Registration Details	Indian Authors	International Authors
Attendees from academics'/research Institutes	Rs. 200	USD 20
Authors	Rs. 500	USD 50
Authors/ Attendees from Industries	Rs. 1000	USD 100

**Registration Details:**

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/pKdx8d7RfSpo7RRr6>

Payment details: The registration fee should be paid online through net banking to the "Director SVNIT TEQIP IRG" with following details.

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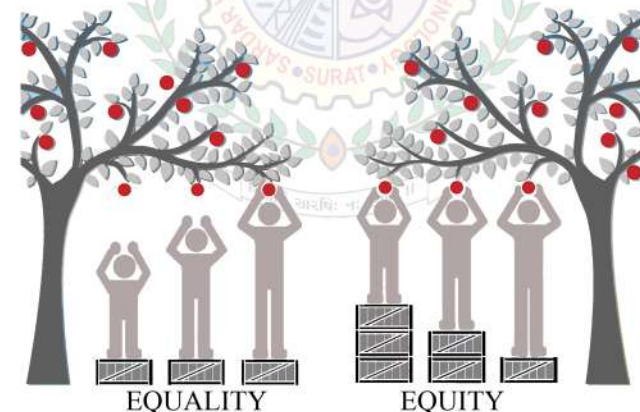
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Famous British actor **Emma Watson** once said, *"It is time that we all see gender as a spectrum instead of two sets of opposing ideals."* The need to change the common stereotypical perception has been in discussion since almost a century, but media and social media narrate tales of inequality and injustice in every sphere and circle of life. Observing the existing disparity **Gloria Steinem**, American journalist and activist pointed out, *"Women are not going to be equal outside the home until men are equal in it."* Starting from familial warmth of home and hearth, to the air-conditioned scientific laboratories and corridors of political power, gender bias has consistently persisted and has mutated to create newer disparities. **Bell Hooks**, in her famous book *Feminist Theory: From Margin to Center* stated, *"Unfortunately it is often easier to ignore, dismiss, reject, and even hurt one another rather than engage in constructive confrontation."* But we intend to provide platform for constructive confrontation that will bring in a change. The first version of this international conference **ICOGCAO 2019** was held on 19th and 20th December 2019 in SVNIT. It was conceived with a view to challenge gender stereotypes because for centuries gender has defined shaped and limited the role of individual in the society. As a TEQIP-III sponsored event, it was organised to provide a common platform for people of all ages, genders, professions and disciplines to assemble and discuss their views and findings on the topic of gender disparity. Once again, we bring 2nd version of conference on Gender Equity: Challenges and Opportunities to benefit students, teachers, researchers and professionals from varied fields of knowledge to interact, participate and discuss issues related to gender equity. We heard some thought provoking deliberations in our previous conference and we strive again to provide a platform for debates and discussions, to listen to stories of "heroes and she-roes" as we believe voices of all the genders need to be heard and heeded not overlooked and ignored. We believe that freedom in true sense will come when all genders will be emancipated from all forms of oppression. Taking a step towards that freedom, let's use this opportunity to exercise freedom of expression. Hence, we invite papers on any and every aspect of gender issue as we wish to break the silence.

**Who can attend** - This conference focuses on seeking opportunities in spite of many challenges. It aims to address the dire need for social change in the society and is a rare interdisciplinary platform for people of all ages, genders, professions and nationalities. It invites discourse not just by academicians, researchers, scholars, writers but also doctors, administrators, lawyers, scientists, students, artists, in-short professionals and thinkers from any field who feel passionate about gender equity.

**Objective of Conference:** The objective of the conference is to analyse and present challenges and opportunities in the field of social equity with the relevant scientific and research communities. The conference will provide a platform to interact and share their experience about challenges faced at the workplace such as gender bias, social acceptance etc. The conference aims to offer international perspectives with an emphasis on economic, social, and psychological aspects of empowerment and leadership, victimization, exclusion and social problems. The conference aims to provide perspectives towards the issues related to male hegemony, acceptance and equal treatment of women/LGBT at workplace, sensitization of children and adults towards equity and empowerment.

The conference promises to provide an open platform to voice, share, discuss, develop and exchange one's opinion on social issues and map opportunities to overcome them.

Participation is also invited for panel session on psychological aspects of empowerment and leadership, victimization, exclusion and social problems.

**Publication:** The conference proceedings will be published in book/notes/series format with ISBN no. and/or with Springer.

### Tracks for conference:

- Academics, Society, Science and Technology,
  - Administration, Media, Literature, Culture,
  - Technical Education, Humanities,
  - Arts and Social Sciences, Medicines,
  - Nutrition and Armed Forces, Industries and Corporates
  - Higher Education and Secondary Education
  - Creative Writing and Liberal Arts
  - Mass Communication, Literature and Music
  - Scientists, Teachers, Academic Professionals, Entrepreneurs,
  - Gender and Pandemic
- \*\*Any other domain related to the conference, society or gender

### Submission details:

The submission of the paper can be done either through email at [icogcao2019@gmail.com](mailto:icogcao2019@gmail.com) or via **Easy Chair portal** (click here).

### Submission Guidelines:

The submitted papers should be atleast 4 pages long. The script should be in English and in standard template. **The content of the script should not be plagiarised and should have less than 20% similarity index. The similarity limits might be less than 10% for springer publication.** The submitted manuscript will be reviewed by at least two experts selected by the Technical Committee for their demonstrated knowledge of particular topics. Authors will be notified of the review results by email. The submission of the paper can be done by the Easy Chair portal.

Plagiarism is intolerable. The submitted manuscripts are expected to contain only the original work executed by the authors with adequate, proper and scholarly citations to the work of others. It is the responsibility of the authors to clearly identify both their own contribution(s) and also contributions of the published results/techniques based on which their work has been built up. Reviewers will make sure these standards are met.

### Awards:

There will be awards for two best papers submitted in the conference.

For more details visit website:

<https://icogcao.wixsite.com/icogcao>

**About the Institute** - This Institute was established in 1961 as one of the regional engineering colleges for imparting technical education. The Central Government on the advice of the University Grants Commission, has declared the Sardar Vallabhbhai Regional College of Engineering & Technology (SVREC) to Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT), Surat with status of "Deemed University" w.e.f. 4th December 2002. The Institute has been granted the status of 'Institute of National Importance' w.e.f. Aug. 15, 2007. At present, the Institute is offering six UG programmes under chemical, civil, computer, electrical, electronics and mechanical engineering; eighteen PG programmes and three M.Sc. five years integrated programme including doctoral programme in all the above branches.