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CALL FOR PAPERS

The Belize-Mexico Binational Seminars represent one of the main academic activities developed to strengthen cooperation, promote spaces for exchange in education, research and topics of interest between both countries.

Since 2016, annually, with the exception of 2020, seven Binational Seminars have been held to date that have addressed issues on mobility and connectivity, academic cooperation, sustainable development, water as a strategic resource and the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic in Mexico and Belize, and our shared reef system. In 2023, the University of Belize (UB) as the hosting institution, along with the Embassy of Mexico in Belize (EMBAMEX), El Colegio de la Frontera Sur (ECOSUR-Chetumal), the University of Quintana Roo (UQROO), meet again to organize the 8th Binational Seminar with the theme on "Building Transnational Networks To Strengthen Economic, Social, And Ecological Resilience To Climate Change."

The goals of this event are to:

- Establish transnational research collaborations to support active research cultures.
- Promote interdisciplinary and holistic approaches to creating climate change solutions.
- Share innovative and inclusive approaches to enhancing resilience to climate change.
- Create opportunities for all stakeholders to disseminate and access knowledge that informs decision-making and actions on climate change resilience.
- Expose students to current research and give them an opportunity to present their work.
- Reflect on the readiness to meet the challenges of climate change within the region.

The central theme of the 8th Binational Seminar is "Building Transnational Networks To Strengthen Economic, Social, And Ecological Resilience To Climate Change," an approach that considers the need for international cooperation in addressing the problems faced due to climate change as well as the need for an interdisciplinary approach. On this occasion, the Organizing Committee of the 8th Binational Seminar invites students, teachers, researchers, government agencies and the productive sector to submit proposals for oral presentations in the following thematic areas:

2. Planning and adapting businesses and policies for a climate change resilient economy.
3. Equipping vulnerable demographic groups and communities with the tools to adapt to climate change.
4. Recognizing, identifying, and cataloging the economic, social, and ecological impacts of climate change - holistic climate vulnerability assessments.
5. Progress of international and local responses to climate change
   a. Project impact reports
6. The grassroots approach to climate change resilience.
7. Climate change and education
   a. Primary and Secondary Education on Climate Change
   b. Impact of climate change on education systems
   c. Programs informing students on climate change
8. Readiness to preserve biodiversity and sustainability of the productive sector: Agriculture, Fisheries, Apiculture, and Aquaculture.
9. Climate change and health - The One Health Approach

The presentation of the works will be organized in face-to-face sessions according to the thematic areas defined above. Each participant will have 20 minutes to present their work, and at the end of all the presentations within a thematic area, a space of 15 minutes will be opened for questions and comments.
Deadline to submit paper proposals: *Thursday, August 31, 2023.*

Sending of acceptance letters: *Monday, September 25, 2023.*

Proposals for participation should be sent to the following email: 
binational.seminar@ub.edu.bz

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS**

The works to be submitted must be submitted in Word format, Arial letter 12 points, and comply with the following sections.

1. **Title of the paper.**
2. **Full names of the authors,** highlighting in bold the name of the author who will make the exhibition.
3. **Position** (e.g.: student, teacher, researcher), institutional affiliation, address, and email of all authors.
4. **Abstract:** 250 words maximum, written in Spanish and English. The summary should contain: objectives, methodology, results, and conclusions.
5. **Bibliography in APA format.**
6. **Five keywords** in Spanish and English.
7. **Thematic area of the proposal.**
8. **At the end include the curricular summary of the authors** (maximum 200 words per author)

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