-Call for Papers-

7th Bildungskongress in Muenster
together with the annual LemaS – Conference
22.-25. September 2021

Identifying Potential – Developing Talents –
Sustainable Education

CONFERENCE THEME:

The conference aims to connect research approaches from the fields of gifted education and gifted support with sustainability (SDGs) and the related aspect of social responsibility. A central concern are the global challenges of the 21st century (e.g. global climate and world health) and the question, how individualized talent support can prepare pupils of a new generation to meet these challenges in a dedicated, creative and constructive way. Based on these central questions, the conference, on the one hand, aims to ascertain, how the achievement-related potential of children and adolescents can optimally develop on a long-term basis and, on the other hand, how their talents can be integrated with regard to the role of civil society in shaping a sustainable future, in terms of ecology, society, economy, culture, politics, globalization and digitalization. In this context, also the function of states, or, more specifically, of educational policies (e.g. future teacher training, curriculum design and teaching methods for sustainable education) are to be discussed.

We are seeking submissions related to the following fields:

- **Current research on gifted education and talent support**: What are recent developments in gifted education, e.g. in the fields of diagnostics and the professionalization of teaching staff?

- **Diagnosis-oriented and potential-oriented support**: How can individual and well-aimed support measures contribute to a long-term development of performance-based potential of students? Which measures of talent support are suitable and which conditions need to be fulfilled?

- **Challenging learning environments**: How can stimulating learning environments be created? Which aspects need to be considered in regard to talent encouraging environments when it comes to heterogeneity, reducing barriers and enabling the participation of all students?

- **21st century competencies**: What skills do students need in the 21st century and how can these be taught? What role is played by specific learning strategies?

- **Addressing sustainability and other topics of global relevance in the classroom**: How can issues such as climate change/ climate awareness/ climate strike as well as other consequences of industrialisation/ globalisation (e.g. increasing pandemics, migration or an increasing digitalisation of the workplace) be
meaningfully addressed in class? What is the role and responsibility of different disciplines/school subjects in this context?

- **Onsite and Distance Learning:** What are the challenges and chances of digital/hybrid teaching? Which formats of digital teaching are suitable? How can schools get better prepared for times of crisis?

Overarching question: What can educational policy contribute to a positive development in the above listed fields?

Submission of Abstracts:

**Formalities and Deadlines:**
Abstracts can be submitted between **5. November 2020 and 21. February 2021** via our event management tool **Indico** (Click here: [https://www.indico.uni-muenster.de/e/mbk2021](https://www.indico.uni-muenster.de/e/mbk2021)). You have to set up an account, which you can then use to administer all formalities related to the conference such as abstract submission, registration and payment.

The submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the Local Organizing Committee along the following criteria: Relevance regarding the overall conference theme, academic quality of the abstract as well as feasibility of the project in respect to the chosen contribution type. Notifications of acceptance/rejection will be sent out by the end of March 2021.

**Language:**
The main conference language in German; English language contributions are welcome!

**Organizational Information:**
The conference will take place at Muenster university. To verify the feasibility of an on-site event, a “pandemic check” will be carried out in March. Should an in-person conference not be deemed possible, we will switch to digital formats. Call for Paper contributions are scheduled for Thursday and Friday afternoon between 2pm and 6pm. You should be available during these periods since time slots will be allocated at a relatively late stage in the planning process and in rare cases may be subject to change at short notice.

**Registration and conference fee:**
Registration will open 1. April 2021. You will have received a notification about the status of your abstract by then.

The conference fee amounts to **265 €** (Early Bird), from 1. July 2021 285€; nursery school teachers and students **165 €** (Early Bird), from 1. July 2021 185€. If your contribution (individual contribution, workshop or symposium) is accepted for presentation, you pay the reduced fee of 165 €.

Should the conference take place in digital format, the conference fee will be re-calculated.

**POSSIBLE FORMATS OF CONTRIBUTION:**
Please ensure to conceptualize your contributions in such a way that they can also be conducted digitally via a video conference tool. If in March we have to decide for an online event, we will contact you about the digital
realization of your contribution and you will also be given the chance to switch to an asynchronous format (recorded presentation, podcast etc.) should you prefer this to a live session.

**Individual Contribution**
Individual contributions provide the opportunity to present a topic in detail. Science- or theory-oriented presentations are allocated a time slot of 30 minutes (20 minutes presentation and 10 minutes discussion), practice-oriented presentations are allocated a time slot of 45 minutes (35 minutes presentation and 10 minutes discussion). In the conference program, three science-oriented or two practice-oriented contributions will be subsumed in 90-minute sessions.

**Information required for the submission of an individual contribution:**
- Title
- Summary (max. 300 words)
- Up to 5 key words
- Indication of educational stage the contribution focuses on and target group the contribution addresses
- Bio-Note (max. 100 words per person)

**Workshop**
Workshops are allocated a time slot of 90 minutes for discussing a group of themes, to introduce practice-approved projects or to work on a topic interactively together with the participants of the workshop.

**Information required for the submission of a workshop:**
- Title
- Summary including didactic approach of the workshop (max. 300 words)
- Up to 5 key words
- Indication of educational stage the contribution focuses on and target group the contribution addresses
- Bio-Note (max. 100 words per person)

**Symposium**
A symposium is allocated a time slot of 90 minutes and provides the opportunity to discuss a single topic from different angles by comprising 3 correlated contributions (20 minutes + 10 minutes discussion each). The discussion is hosted by one of the contributors (Chair of the symposium), who should be familiar with all contributions.

**Information required for the submission of a symposium:**
We ask the Chair of the symposium to manage and submit the abstracts of all contributions. In *Indico*, please first submit an abstract for the symposium as a whole, which summarizes the general topic and lists all contributors as speakers. In a second step, please submit the individual abstracts, only name one speaker and indicate that the contribution is part of a symposium in the respective abstract titles (“Title of individual abstract” as part of the symposium “…”).

For symposium abstract:
- Title
- Summary (max. 300 words)
- Up to 5 key words
- Indication of educational stage the contribution focuses on and target group the contribution addresses
- Bio-Note (Type in: “See individual contributions”)

For individual abstracts:
- Title
- Summary (max. 300 words)
- Up to 5 key words
- Indication of educational stage the contribution focuses on and target group the contribution addresses
- Bio-Note (100 words per person)

**Poster**

As part of the conference a poster slam will be hosted. Posters should give insights into practice-oriented questions of current research projects. Poster contributions can be designed in DIN A1 as well as DIN A0.

Information required for the submission of posters:
- Title
- Summary (max. 300 words)
- Up to 5 key words
- Indication of educational stage the contribution focuses on and target group the contribution addresses
- Bio-Note (max. 100 words per person)

**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

- Conference website: [https://icbfkongress.de/](https://icbfkongress.de/)
- Submission of abstracts: [https://wwuindico.uni-muenster.de/e/mbk2021](https://wwuindico.uni-muenster.de/e/mbk2021)
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