

5th Rural Development Conference [RDC2020] 15th – 17th of April 2020, Kathmandu, Nepal

5th Rural Development Conference [RDC2020] is a three-day program, unlike most academic conferences. It brings together scholars, advanced students, NGO and governmental representatives as well as experienced professionals willing to learn and share about the topics related to poverty and social protection. It is open to all of those interested in gaining new knowledge as well as those who want to share their own research, achievements and experience.

5th Rural Development Conference [RDC2020] attempts to answer multiple questions, meet the most diverse interests and to attract different groups of people. We will welcome scholars, corporate representatives, government agencies' representatives, NGO representatives and other individuals and organizations from around the world. Being fully aware of just how the comprehensive understanding of this matter is important for successful and continuous development of every individual, organization and society as a whole, we have designed an event that will address the issues that we all have to face in transforming our ideas into workable, innovative and progressive projects. In order to achieve that, this 3 days event will include both exciting panel discussions and networking activities for educators, professionals and policy makers of all ages and from all over the world.

- **Dates**

15th – 17th of April 2020 - **5th Rural Development Conference [RDC2020]**.

All participants should arrive to "Summit Hotel" on or before April 15th, 2 pm, and are expected to be in attendance during the entire Conference.

- **Location**

RDC2020 will be held in Kathmandu, Nepal. All sessions will take place in to "Summit Hotel" conveniently located.

Summit Hotel

Kopundole Height, Kathmandu 44700, Nepal

- **Sessions time table**

RDC2020 will officially start on Wednesday, April 15th 2020 at 2 pm and will end on Friday, April 17th 2020.

- **Final Paper Submission- for presenters only**

Please note that abstracts/ papers submitted with application are NOT automatically considered for publication. If you want your abstract/ paper published in the official conference proceedings publication (paper publication is NOT mandatory), please note that final submission is due March 30th 2020 in MS Word format, emailed to: vilic@tomorrowpeople.org in the following formatting:

- A4 size paper;
- Margins 1" on the top, bottom, left and right side;
- Single line spacing;
- Fonts:
- Title- Times New Roman 14 bold;
- Subtitles- Times New Roman 12 bold;
- Text- Times New Roman 12
- Justify formatting;
- Author/s' name/s and affiliation under title;
- Abstract of maximum 200 words on first page (under author/s' name/s)
- Full paper starting from the second page.

- **Presentations:**

Oral presentations: Presenters are allocated a time slot for their presentation within an appropriate panel. If the presentation includes power point, video or/ and audio files, all materials are to be uploaded to the conference computer in the venue, prior to the session.

Poster presentations: Presenters are responsible for designing and printing the posters in the A1 vertical format (59.4cm x 84.1cm). Posters should be handed to the staff at registration desk prior to the scheduled poster session.

Remote presentations: Authors who present their papers remotely, either as a video (10 minutes) or poster presentation, and who do not physically attend the conference.

- **Registration**

Please note that your space in the conference is guaranteed only until the deadline stated the acceptance letter or once the registration for the conference is completed. If the registration is not completed timely, the spot may be released and offered to another waiting listed applicant, as space in the conference is limited. In order to secure your spot in the conference it is required to complete registration arrangements by sending completed Participant information sheet (sent with notification of admission to the conference) and making the payment of applicable admission fee as per received invoice.

- **Costs**

Admission fee includes: admission to all sessions, presentation of submitted papers (presenters/ co-presenters), discussions, conference supplies and materials, copy of the official Conference proceedings, coffee and lunch breaks during the Conference and a certificate issued by Tomorrow People Organization. The Conference fee does NOT include accommodation and airfare.

	Applications submitted:		
	By 15th October 2019	from 16th October 2019 to 1st March 2020	After 1st March 2020 - onsite*
Presenter **	USD 275	USD 305	USD 335
Co-presenter	USD 250	USD 280	USD 310
Observer	USD 250	USD 280	USD 310
Stud. Observer ***	USD 205	USD 225	USD 255
Additional paper	USD 100		
Co-author indexing ****	USD 25		
Remote presentations (poster/video)*****	USD 150	USD 180	USD 210

* Onsite registration is subject to availability of spots. Due to limited space in the venue, we encourage early registrations as applications are being accepted and reviewed on a rolling admission basis as long as space is available.

** If the 1st author of the paper is unable to attend the conference, the first co-author will be charged 1st author's admission fee

*** Full time students attending the conference as observers only. Proof of full time student status may be required

**** Co-authors of the paper who are not attending the conference and wish to be listed in the authors' index in the official conference proceedings publication are requested to register at applicable fee

***** Authors who are not physically attending the conference and who present their papers remotely, either as a video (10 minutes) or poster presentations

RDC2020 Scientific Committee

Prof. Ana Cristina Garcia-Luna Romero - Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico

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Bangkok Soap Opera for Sustainable Soap Making Workshop

We would like to invite you to join Bangkok Soap Opera for Sustainable Soap Making Workshop. Sustainable Soap Making is a social and environmental project to help Bangkok to be Green and Clean. Waste Cooking Oil is a big problem for such big cities as Bangkok. It's a byproduct of work off many business: food industry and hospitality. Sadly in Thailand there is not governmentally controlled system of safe oil disposing. Most of waste oils is being disposed into city drains polluting environment. We want to make a Difference. We collect waste oil from businesses and individuals to recycle it into Natural Soap. 5% of this soap is used in our little store for sale. When 95% is donated to Charities. During workshop we will share knowledge on filtering waste oil to make its quality comparable to the Virgin Oil. Later we will start the alchemy and turn it into natural soap. Every participant will choose their own flavours, focusing on thai local herbs and flowers. Every student will take home 1 bar of unique designed soap: 100% Natural and 100% Sustainable.

We would like to Share the knowledge of turning Waste Oil into Soap, by turning Trash into Treasure. Workshop time 1.5 h



SUSTAINABLE SOAPS
From waste cooking oil

RDC2020 exclusive offers:

- **Accommodation**

Price of the conference does NOT include accommodation. However, if you want us to arrange accommodation for you during your stay in Bali, we can offer you rooms in “Summit Hotel”, at special discounted rate that applies for our participants. All rooms are equipped with private bath, AC, WiFi, telephone and TV.

RDC2020 participants are entitled to special discounted rates as follows:

Type Of room/capacity	Category	Rate (USD)/Night	
		Single	Double
Himalayn wing	Premium	108	120
Garden wing	Deluxe	95	108

If you want us to book a room for you, please specify the dates of your stay in the hotel in participant information sheet (attached as a separate document and sent along with acceptance to the conference), once your flight itinerary has been finalized. Discounted rates apply for the entire period of your stay in the hotel, and may include dates before and after the conference as well. Complementary roundtrip airport transfers are provided for bookings made with the Tomorrow People.

Please, note that this rates apply only for bookings made with Tomorrow People.

Alternatively, participants are also welcome to arrange accommodation on their own, in any other hotel, as per their preference and budget.

Other Important Information

Registration: Notification on acceptance, does not guarantee a spot in the conference unless registration arrangements are completed until the date specified in the acceptance letter and invoice. If the registration arrangements are not completed by specified deadline, we reserve the right to release a spot and offer it to another waiting listed applicant.

Correspondence: In all written correspondence, please include your full name as indicated in your application and acceptance documents in order to avoid a delay in getting assistance. Admitted applicants are expected to confirm receipt of the notification of acceptance to the conference and clarify their position by the deadline stated in the letter of acceptance and the invoice. If, for any reason, you are unable to attend the conference or are in a need of an extension of a deadline for clarification of your position in the conference, as a matter of courtesy, please do confirm with us as well so that we could release the spot timely and offer equal opportunity to waiting listed applicant.

Passport: Valid passport is required to enter the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal. If you do not have a passport, please apply for one immediately.

Visa: Participants from most countries do not need a visa to enter Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal if their stay is not longer than 30 days. However, please double-check your visa requirements with the nearest Indonesian embassy, consulate, or representative office. If you require a visa, please let us know so that we could provide necessary visa assistance.



Late and onsite payments: Please, note that early bird registration fee applies for the payments made until the specified date.. For payments made after the deadline stated in the acceptance letter, the regular admission fee will apply. Onsite registration is available for observers only and is subject to availability of spots, which are offered on the first come first served basis. We cannot guarantee the availability of spots for applicants who have not secured their spot in advance, hence if you are planning on registering for the conference onsite, we strongly encourage you to contact us by email to check on the availability of spots.

Accompanying persons: Please, note that only registered delegates are admitted in the meeting room and conference area.

Student observers: Full time students attending the conference as observers should submit the proof of their full time student status in order to avail on student registration fee. This can be a scanned copy of the student card, or a letter from their university scanned and emailed to: vilic@tomorrowpeople.org.

Insurance: Although the cost of medical care in Indonesia is not expensive, we strongly recommend having an international recognized medical insurance that can be purchased at your local travel agent.

Outside Funding: A number of our participants receive some sort of funding from their home university. If you are studying or working at the university, please check if they have funds to support attendance of international conferences. If you are employed, check with your organization whether they could sponsor your participation. You may also want to contact local service organizations.

Please find the letter of support in a separate document attached.