

Call for Papers and Presentations

International Communal Studies Association Conference 2016

Tamera, Portugal. 1st – 3rd July 2016

The theme of the conference is:

Community approaches towards inner and outer peace.

Papers / presentations on other relevant topics will also be considered.

We invite proposals for the following:

Paper Presentations: of completed academic research or work-in-progress (e.g. PhD fieldwork) in the form of a written paper (3000 – 5000 words) and oral presentation (up to 20 minutes). Papers of an acceptable (academic) standard will be included in Conference Proceedings to be published online.

Workshop Presentations: sessions (1 – 1.5 hours long) of engaging participatory dialogue on a relevant topic, typically beginning with an introduction (15 – 20 minutes) by one or more facilitators.

Poster Presentations: illustrated display boards about intentional communities from around the world (existing and proposed). These will be displayed for the duration of the conference and time will be made available for informal presentation to those interested.

Cultural Events: sessions (up to 1.5 hours long) of community song, dance, music, storytelling, theatre, ritual, ceremony, martial art, circus etc., led by experienced teachers and practitioners, open to participants with diverse levels of experience.

All presentation types require submission of an abstract (300 – 500 words) in the first instance, together with a short presenter's bio (30 – 50 words). Abstracts should include a title and be concise but engaging.

Deadlines for submission of abstracts are:

Academic Papers: October 31st 2015.

Workshops, Posters and Cultural Events: December 30th 2015.

Please email your abstract to the ICSA Chair Chris Coates at: chris@utopia-britannica.org.uk

Successful applicants will be notified and offered further guidance soon after the above dates.