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We look forward to welcoming you in Ankara between the dates of 23 and 25 November 2012.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Bengü Aksu Ataç
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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

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The theme for the WCCI Turkish Chapter 1st International Conference on Education "The role and importance of teacher education on creating a global culture of peace and environmental awareness”, is a response to the UN resolution to renew our commitment to promote a just and peaceful culture across the global community. This theme is particularly pertinent as the decade 2001-2010 has been declared the International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non Violence by UNESCO. The WCCI is committed to supporting a culture of peace globally as stated in the above UN resolution.

As a tradition of WCCI, this Conference aims to bring together professionals through dialogues as well as presentations to demonstrate our commitment to respect human rights; practice non-violence, tolerance and conflict reconciliation; promote gender equality; and communicate information and knowledge by providing education for all. WCCI continues to hold on to the belief that this conference will inspire educators throughout the world to work towards building a culture of peace and respect for the mother earth. Professionals of all levels of education, from early childhood education through adult education to higher education, and all community and social justice advocates are invited.

Identify the area of interest and relate it to your proposal.

- Teacher Training on Peace and Environment
- Community Development
- Early Childhood
- Environmental Concerns
- Ethics and Values

The WCCI Turkish Chapter 1st International Conference on Education encourages the presentations to respond to one of the following:

**Pedagogy:** Instructions, programs, projects and/or curricula in any of the special interest areas mentioned above or related field.

**Theory:** Theories or historical perspectives which lead to the development of non-violence and conflict free societies in any of the areas listed above.

**Research:** Completed research papers in any of the special interest areas listed above or related areas. The research paper should include objectives, methodology, analysis, and findings or outcomes.

**Student Papers:** Research paper by students in any of the special interest areas mentioned above or related areas.

**Work-in-progress:** In progress research or projects in order to obtain feedback or generate discussion in any of the areas listed above or related field.

**Reports:** Reports regarding successful and effective instructional techniques, community projects and research in areas mentioned in the special interest list above or related areas.

Both English and Turkish language is used throughout the conference.
Paper sessions will be limited to 20 minutes presentation with 10 minutes for discussion. Workshop presentations will be limited to 60 minutes. Panel sessions will be limited to 40 minutes, in which three or more presenters will be given an opportunity to speak in an open conversational setting. Strict time limits will be enforced for all the presentations.

Notification of acceptance will be mailed or e-mailed by November 9, 2012. Authors of accepted papers will be required to submit their edited final papers via attachment to the Chairperson, WCCI Turkish Chapter 1st International Conference via e-mail. Format of presentation: Microsoft Word. All presenters must register for the conference.

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

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**CONFERENCE VENUE**

Başkent University, Baglica Campus, Eskişehir Yolu 20.Km. Ankara - TURKEY

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

- Deadline for abstract submission: 02 November 2012
- Notification of accepted papers: 09 November 2012
- Conference Dates: 23-25 November 2012
- Deadline for the full paper submission: 07 December 2012

**CONFERENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

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PLEASE PUT A TICK IN THE BOX FOR YOUR POSITION IN THE CONFERENCE

PARTICIPANT:  [ ] PRESENTER:  [ ]

Name:________________________________________________________________________
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FOR PRESENTERS ONLY

Presentation: (Please Check [ √ ] one)
[  ] Paper [  ] Panel [  ] Workshop

Title of Paper or Workshop: ____________________________________________

Names of presenters: ________________________________________________

A brief biography of lead presenter(s) and/or co-presenters. Please use a separate Proposal Cover Sheet for each lead presenter or co-presenter. Use additional paper if necessary.

Brief description of the presentation (300 words or less). For a workshop, please add the workshop content, plan, and timetable.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Will be announced later.