

**The 4th International
Conference on
*Multicultural Discourses***



Oct 23-26, 2013 Hangzhou

Institute of Discourse & Cultural Studies
Zhejiang University; Centre for
Discourse & Cultural Studies, Hangzhou
Normal University
Hangzhou, China

INTRODUCTION

Following the success of the previous tri-annual International Conference on Multicultural Discourses in 2004, 2007 and 2010, respectively, the Fourth will be held between October 23 and 26, 2013, in Hangzhou as usual! The organisers are the Institute of Discourse & Cultural Studies of Zhejiang University, Centre for Discourse & Cultural Studies, Hangzhou Normal University; the co-sponsor the Centre for Contemporary Chinese Discourse Studies, Zhejiang University.

The coming Conference on Multicultural Discourses will remain committed to the original broad aims: 1) to encourage critique of cultural imperialism in

scholarly and ordinary discourse, 2) to promote cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue in discourse studies, 3) to help advance research into culturally repressed, marginalized or excluded discourses and 4) to facilitate search for new discourses helpful to cultural coexistence, solidarity and prosperity. The particular areas of study include but are not limited by:

- Cultural reflexivity and innovation in discourse studies
- Cultural concepts, principles and practices of discourse
- Discourse, peace and sovereignty
- Discourse and cultural equality
- Discourse, (under)development and the Third World
- Discourse and urban/rural development
- Discourse and human rights
- Discourse and international commerce/management
- Discourse and ethnic literature
- Discourse and gender
- Etc.

PRESENTATION FORMAT

- parallel sessions
- plenary speeches (15)

Selection of plenary speeches will be based on the quality, relevance and international balance of topics.

SUBMISSION

The deadline for submission of an abstract (ca 300 words), to be completed on-line in a [Registration Form](http://www.shixu.com/institute-conference/abstract.asp) (<http://www.shixu.com/institute-conference/abstract.asp>), is **March 15, 2013**. Letters of acceptance will be sent out by March 31, 2013. Submissions and enquiries can also be addressed to 19860922@zju.edu.cn or mdiscourses@yahoo.com

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- Tier A: \$220
- Tier B: \$150
- Tier C: \$100
- Domestic participants: RMB700

The rate covers a half-day tour, folk performance, tea/coffee, three lunches, two dinners and one banquet.

PUBLICATIONS

Papers of high-quality and cultural innovation will be publication in [Journal of Multicultural Discourses](http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rmmd20/current). (<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rmmd20/current>) In addition, a selection of the conference papers will be published with an international publisher.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT

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