IGDS
20th Anniversary Conference
on Gender Transformations in the Caribbean

Call for Papers: Continuities, Challenges and Transformations in Caribbean Gender Relations
Deadline for the submission of abstracts: April 15, 2013

November 6 - 8, 2013
The University of the West Indies
St. Augustine Campus
Trinidad and Tobago, West Indies

Hosted by the IGDS St. Augustine Unit under the auspices of the IGDS, Regional Coordinating Unit, Mona, Jamaica.

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The IGDS 20th Anniversary Conference is not only to address thematic challenges that arise in gender relations but also to redress practices and policies towards strategic transformations within the region. The conference will focus on but is not limited to the following topics:

**Redefining Gender Scholarship in Contemporary Caribbean Society**
- Theories and Epistemologies
- Methodologies
- Intersectionality
- Popular Culture and Mass Media
- History
- Literature

**Reconfiguring Caribbean Families at Home and Abroad**
- Motherhood and Mothering
- Men, Masculinities and Fatherhood
- Sexualities
- Violence

**Reshaping Gender Policy Strategies for Human Rights and Social Transformation**
- Political Culture and Power
- Women and Leadership
- National and Institutional Gender Policies
- Development
- Globalisation/International Relations/International Political Economy (IPE)
- Economic Relations and Labour
- Health

The Politics of Care/Caring Education

**Rethinking Science and Technology**

**Reassessing Gender and the Environment**
- Water
- Climate Change
- Sustainable Livelihoods
- “Green is the New Pink”

We invite proposals for papers on the above or related themes. **Abstracts** of no more than 400 words should be accompanied by a brief **biography** of no more than 100 words and sent via email to: igdssau2013@sta.uwi.edu. All questions regarding submissions for the IGDS 20th Anniversary Conference should be forwarded to igdssau2013@sta.uwi.edu.

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**Notification of selection:**
July 19, 2013

For information on the conference and the IGDS 20th Anniversary, visit the IGDS SAU 20th Anniversary Website: [http://sta.uwi.edu/igds/20thanniversary](http://sta.uwi.edu/igds/20thanniversary)