

# ICT for greater development impact

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**LCIS 2016 is the first annual conference of the Lebanese Association for Information Systems that will take place at Saint Joseph University, Beirut. It attracts multidisciplinary contributions on information systems from the areas of organization, management, marketing, human resources, accounting, and supply chain mainly submitted by Lebanese and international scholars.**

There are several ways to participate at LCIS 2016.

- Organize a Track
- Organize a Workshop/Pre-Conference
- Submit a Paper: We heartily invite Lebanese researchers to hand in their work to LCIS2016
- Participate at the Doctoral Symposium: Doctoral Students will have the opportunity to be part of the PhD-Colloquium of LCIS2016
- Attend the Conference: We warmly invite you to be our guest at LCIS2016, be it as author, member of a committee, visitor or even volunteer.

Conference website: <http://www.lebaneseais.com/lcis-2016>

## **Scope of LCIS 2016**

Underdevelopment, insecurity, poverty, inequality, and immigration are major problems faced by developing countries. Since 2000, international donor agencies are encouraging the usage of ICT in order to reduce the impact of these complex social problems. Today, much has been done. Some researchers have reported practices that can lead to socio-economic development, can improve people's life, and can install a kind of a new emerging democracy. Indeed, according to some scholars, ICT, if correctly implemented, can have many positive impacts such as: transforming governments, making them more transparent and accountable (Subhajit Basu, 2004), cutting out the middleman, connecting the excluded (Heeks, 2010), helping the agency of women which is of strong effect on development through entrepreneurship (Heeks and Shoba,

2010), introducing the digital production, enabling collective Power and crowdvoicing, allowing the growth of social outsourcing and social enterprises. The literature about development analyses huge potential of a positive contribution of ICT to development.

**In cooperation with Saint Joseph University-Beirut, the aim of LCIS 2016 is to illustrate some of the issues related to ICT for development, while keeping in mind the differences and similarities among developing countries.**

**Topics of interest include, but are not limited to :**

- ICT for different aspects of development
- ICT4D and mobile technologies
- Big data as a tool for development
- e-Government and democracy
- Open disaster risk data and minimization of the effect of disaster in DC
- ICT and urban service delivery
- Social networking and health care in DC
- Poor as producers and innovators with ICTs
- Tele centers as paths for affordable computing in DC
- ICT and disability work
- ICT and acquisition and absorption of knowledge in DC
- Public/private partnerships job creation and economic growth
- Bridging the digital divide
- Peer-to-peer technology for knowledge sharing
- Using ICT to enforce proper security against terrorism
- Women using ICT to tackle social discrimination

### **Tracks and roundtables**

Tracks and roundtables provide an opportunity for researchers to present their research results and participate in open discussions with specialized people.

Ten tracks are proposed:

- Track 1. ICT and the global and sustainable performance of firms and organizations
- Track 2. E-marketing and e-consumer behavior
- Track 3. Social Networks and organizations
- Track 4. Distribution and new technologies
- Track 5. IS Adoption and Diffusion
- Track 6. E-Government and e-administration

- Track 7. ICT and Human Resources
- Track 8. ICT, Accounting and Auditing
- Track 9. ICT and Health care
- Track 10. L'innovation: Savoir-faire et savoir agir complexe

**Two roundtables:**

- Roundtable 1. E-government in Lebanon: Confronting theories with practices
- Roundtable 2. ICT Challenges: Ethical, Social, and Security Issues