THE ANNUAL KATHMANDU CONFERENCE ON
NEPAL & THE HIMALAYA

organised by
Social Science Baha, Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies, Britain-Nepal
Academic Council, Centre for Himalayan Studies-CNRS
& Nepal Academic Network (Japan)

CALL FOR PAPERS
The Sixth Annual Kathmandu Conference on Nepal and the Himalaya
26-28, July 2017

Proposals are invited for stand-alone papers or three-paper panels. The papers can deal with any aspect of life in Nepal and the Himalaya from a social science perspective. Papers can also be comparative so long as Nepal or the Himalaya, broadly defined, is also included. The language of the conference is English.

Papers
Time: Each paper will be allocated 40 minutes, which will include comments from the discussant, general floor discussion, and remarks from the chair.

Interested individuals are asked to submit an abstract not exceeding 500 words along with a one-page CV.

Panels
Individuals or institutions can propose three-paper panels to provide a variety of perspectives on a particular theme.

Time: Two hours per panel, which will include comments from the discussant, general floor discussion, and remarks from the chair.

Proposals for panels should consist of the topic and brief description of the panel; the three papers to be presented, including abstracts not exceeding 500 words for each paper along with a one-page CV. The proposed chair and discussant(s) should also be listed along with the submission and their prior permission sought.

Submissions have to be emailed to the Conference Secretariat at conference@soschaha.org by 15 January 2017. Participants will be notified in February 2017.

The submissions will be evaluated by the Conference Organising Committee according to the following three criteria: i) research question/hypothesis, ii) methodology, and iii) outline/structure.
The length of the final paper is expected to be around 5000 words and the papers are due on 3 July 2017 for advance distribution to all registered participants.

All participants, including panel chairs and discussants, will be required to register to attend the conference. Participants are expected to make their own arrangements for travel and accommodation and those requiring a letter of support to seek travel grants to attend the conference can write to the Conference Secretariat.

The structure of registration fees is as follows:

- Nepali and other South Asian students: NPR 2500
- Nepali and other South Asian professionals: NPR 3500
- Professional, including South Asians, living outside South Asia: USD 75
- Non-South Asian students: USD 50

Participants whose papers are selected will be required to register for the conference by the end of April 2017 to ensure inclusion of their paper in the conference. Details on modes of payment will be provided at a later date.

The Organising Team

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Dates to remember
1. Submission deadline for abstracts and panels: 15 January 2017
2. Notification of paper and panel acceptance: February 2017
3. Final papers due: 3 July 2017

Please also note future conference dates
2018: 25-27 July
2019: 24-26 July
2020: 29-30 July
2021: 28-30 July