



**International Conference on Outreach Work:  
Youth Gangs, Violence and Female Delinquency**

at the City University of Hong Kong, 3-5 December, 2015

Co-organized by:

**Department of Applied Social Sciences, City University of Hong Kong**

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**The Asia Pacific Association of Technology and Society**

**Call for Abstracts**

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Senior Executive Officer  
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**Speakers in the Forum:**

**Professor Hsi-sheng WEI**

Professor  
National Taipei University  
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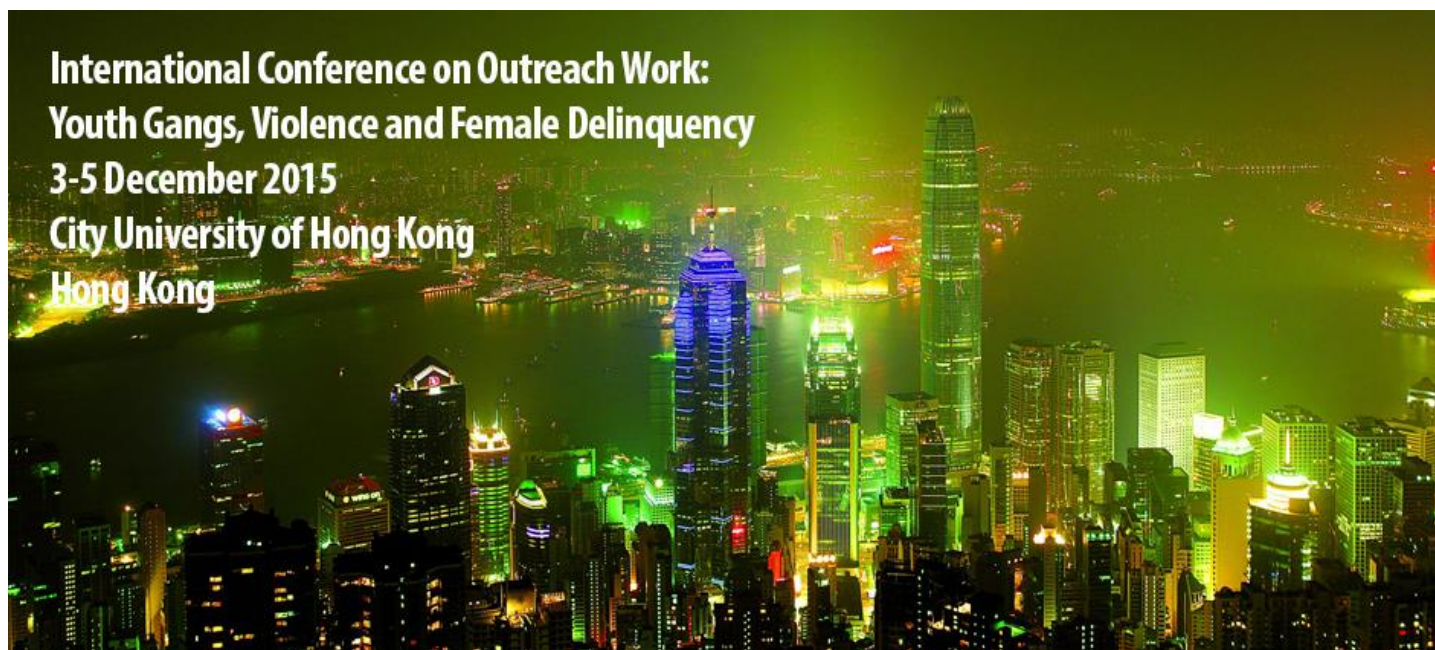
Chief Development Officer  
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You are cordially invited to submit an abstract for consideration in the conference. The main theme of this conference is: Exploring new possibilities and initiatives in handling “**Youth Gangs, Violence and Female Delinquency**” with outreach work.

<b>Oral Presentations</b>		<b>Workshops</b>
Each presentation will last for 20 minutes		Each demonstration will last for 45 minutes
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Youth Gangs/Triads</li> <li>2. Violence</li> <li>3. Female Delinquency</li> <li>4. Drugs</li> <li>5. Youth Sub-culture</li> <li>6. Cyber Youth Crimes</li> <li>7. Criminal Justice / Law</li> <li>8. Transitional Youth</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. Social Withdrawal</li> <li>10. Family and Youth Crimes</li> <li>11. Gang history</li> <li>12. Street/club work</li> <li>13. Human trafficking</li> <li>14. Sports and youth crime prevention</li> <li>15. Technology and Youth</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cyber Youth Outreach (Online service)</li> <li>2. Teenage Sex / Pregnancy</li> <li>3. Street Work: Skills &amp; Techniques</li> <li>4. Drug Treatment Models</li> <li>5. Violence: Interventions</li> <li>6. Peer Work</li> </ol>

**Abstract Submission Deadline** (*maximum 300 words in English*): **May 31, 2015**

Presentation Types: Oral Presentation and Workshop

Language of Presentation: English

Submission Guidelines (*online submission only*): <http://www.hksocialscience.org/index.html>

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## Registration

Online registration will commence on **April 15, 2015** at <http://www.hksocialscience.org/index.html>.

Registration Fee (includes two lunches, tea receptions and farewell dinner)

Participants	Early Bird On or before July 31, 2015	Regular Price On or after August 1, 2015
Oversea / Non-Local	HKD 2,500	HKD 3,000
Local	HKD 1,000	HKD 1,000

\* All presenters must register and pay for the conference by August 1, 2015 in order for the presentation to be included in the conference programme.

## Aims of the Conference

Outreach work has long been developed worldwide as a community based service which aims to reach out and establish contact proactively with marginalized young people and provide them with appropriate support. In the 21<sup>st</sup> century, the world is becoming increasingly globalized due to technological innovations and rapid advances in both information and geographic mobility. No region is free from the increasingly complicated and multifarious issue of youth crime and delinquency. By drawing together insights and knowledge from scholars, practitioners and professionals relating to outreach work with young people, it is hoped that this conference can provide stimulations for the ever-changing issue of youth delinquency and gang culture across the East and West, a forum discussing breakthroughs in models, approaches and strategies in working with young people at risk and fostering collaborative networks facilitating the development of outreach work on both local and global scales.

## Field Visits to Outreach Services in Hong Kong

In Hong Kong, the outreach social work service has accumulated over 35 years of experience from quality practice. Its coverage is comprehensive, including District Youth Outreach Work Service (daytime service), Overnight Outreach Service for Young Night Drifters (midnight service) and Pilot Cyber Youth Outreach Projects (Online service). The active outreach approach is also widely employed by different services, e.g. Counselling Centres for Psychotropic Substance Abusers, Community Support Service Scheme for young people with minor offences and the Police Superintendent's Discretion Scheme, to reach out and engage marginalized young people in their own environment. To allow participants of the conference know the services in Hong Kong, three routes of field visit have been arranged with full support from the agencies concerned:

- Route 1: Central, Western & Islands District Youth Outreaching Social Work Team of **Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association**  
"MINES" – Midnight Network Scheme for Young Night Drifters of **Hong Kong Playground Association**
- Route 2: Youth Enhancement Scheme of **Evangelical Lutheran Church Social Service - Hong Kong**  
Project Sinews (Tai Po & North Districts) of **Hong Kong Children and Youth Services**
- Route 3: Rainbow Lutheran Centre of **Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service, the Lutheran Church**  
Extended Services for Young Night Drifters of the **Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups**