

Call for Papers Enactus Global Research Network Conference 25th September 2025 pre EWC Thailand 26 - 28 September 2025.

"Empowering Graduates for a Sustainable Future: Integrating Social Entrepreneurship and Sustainability in Higher Education"

Hosted at Srinakharinwirot University มหาวิทยาลัยศรีนครินทรวิโรฒ; abbr: มศว, Bangkok Thailand.

Submissions to this call may include work-in-progress case studies, teaching innovations, practice innovations, and other research.

Key Theme: Graduate attributes have long been the subject of debate for educators and stakeholders in higher education. While some resist the notion that universities are responsible for fostering attributes leading to employability, it remains a reality that the university experience is the "last stop" before students transition into their careers and the broader world. Today's graduates face unique challenges, particularly around global sustainability and social equity, making the development of attributes related to social entrepreneurship and sustainability essential.

Acceptance of this reality has further stimulated debate around how much universities should focus on "hard" versus "soft" skills. Soft skills, however, underpin effective problem-solving and are key to driving social change and social entrepreneurship. They empower students to engage with communities, practice ethical leadership, and contribute to building a sustainable future.

In this context, we invite submissions exploring how fostering graduate attributes, particularly those related to social entrepreneurship and sustainability, can drive positive change in society. Papers may address questions such as:

- How can universities teach soft skills that empower graduates to become social entrepreneurs and sustainability champions?
- In light of today's global challenges, should educational programs prioritize skills related to social impact and sustainable practices?
- How significant are soft skills in fostering peace, trust, and community development in the context of sustainability?

We will also run an open stream for any Enactus related research.

Students are welcome to submit Enactus related research.

We invite extended abstracts of 1,000 words that address these and related questions. Abstracts will be double blind peer reviewed and accepted abstracts will be published in the conference compendium which will have an ISBN.

Paper presentations can be made either in person (preferred), or virtually.

Abstracts are due by July 30 2025 and may be submitted here: https://forms.gle/ag8XLvwU8yoF4Nb17