

## International Society for Teacher Education (ISfTE) 2023 Annual Seminar <u>Newsletter No 1</u>

11-16 June 2023, Paro, Bhutan



## Transformative education post-Covid-19 pandemic From self-healing to social transformation

We look forward to welcoming the ISfTE board members and other delegates to 2023 ISfTE Seminar in Bhutan, the land of Gross National Happiness. The seminar will be hosted by Paro College of Education, Royal University of Bhutan located in the beautiful valley in Paro. While all sessions will take place on the College campus, all delegates will be accommodated in different three to five-star hotels in the Paro valley.



We have successfully completed the registration process and currently we are processing visas for all delegates. If any of the registered delegates have not yet sent your visa or permit forms, please write to our visa contact person - Kezang Choden at <u>kezangisfte.pce@rub.edu.bt</u>. Meanwhile, we request all registered delegates to purchase your flight tickets to avoid any last-minute price hike and other complications. If you need help with the Bhutan sector flights, please contact Tshering Choden @ <u>tchoden100846@gmail.com</u>

Besides the exciting academic many through conversations keynotes, paper groups, and panel discussions, 2023 seminar will also offer delegates many enriching social events and cultural experiences. One of the highlights of the seminar will be a three-hour hike on the third day to Taktshang (Tiger's nest) monastery which is 2950 meters above the sea level. We would like to inform all



delegates to bring hiking shoes, walking stick, hats, and raincoat/umbrella if you are

interested to take up this interesting challenge. Paro in June is usually warm and can get little wet at times. The temperature could range anywhere between 12 to 20 degrees Celsius.

A new feature of the Bhutan 2023 ISfTE seminar will be the panel discussion. We have identified four interesting topics for deliberation:

Panel 1- Day 2- From self-healing to social transformation

Panel 2- Day 2- Himalayan art in education/Mindful art and GNH entrepreneurship

Panel 3- Day 4- Biodiversity and cultural diversity in education

Panel 4- Day 5- Transformative parenting practice for future generations

If any of the delegates are interested and have expertise on any of the four areas, we would like to welcome you to join either as a panel member or a panel moderator.

Do contact us via email (*isfte2023.pce@rub.edu.bt*) at the earliest if you are interested.

Please visit our website <u>https://www.pce.edu.bt/isfte2023</u> for full seminar details and updates. For any inquiries, please contact us at <u>isfte2023.pce@rub.edu.bt</u> +975-1795 7949 and +975-16920959 Kezang Sherab and Kinley Dorji Conveners