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The third edition of the *Innovative Approaches to Contemporary Trends in Education* (IACTE 2025) conference continues its mission to address the rapidly evolving educational landscape by engaging with the most pressing challenges and opportunities of our time.

IACTE 2025, seeks to examine the critical issues shaping contemporary education. In an era defined by accelerated digital transformation, global uncertainties, and shifting societal expectations, the conference offers a platform for rethinking how education can remain inclusive, equitable, and future-oriented.

At the core of the event lies a strong commitment to advancing research and fostering innovation that respond to today's educational realities. IACTE 2025 highlights the importance of sustainable and adaptable educational models that empower both learners and educators to navigate complexity and diversity. Areas of focus include digital and media literacy, emotional and social well-being, equitable access to education, and the development of competencies for lifelong learning.

By bringing together researchers, educators, policy-makers, students, and representatives of professional and public institutions from fields such as education, psychology, sociology, and social work, IACTE 2025 provides a global platform for professional development, knowledge exchange, and collaborative exploration of new educational frontiers.

The program will include plenary sessions, parallel panels, roundtable discussions, and interactive workshops conducted by national and international experts. These activities are designed to encourage active participation, promote the sharing of knowledge, and inspire the co-creation of innovative educational solutions.

Beyond academic exchange, IACTE 2025 serves as a global forum for professional development and networking. The conference welcomes a diverse audience, including university faculty, school practitioners, doctoral candidates, representatives of professional associations, NGOs, and public institutions from multiple fields.

By fostering critical reflection and constructive collaboration, IACTE 2025 invites participants to envision and shape the future of education: one that is adaptable, transformative, and responsive to the challenges of the 21st century.

The conference will cover the following topics, among others:

- Digital pedagogy, hybrid models, and smart learning environments;
- Emerging technologies and digital transformation;
- Assessment, feedback, and learning analytics in the digital age;
- Teacher training, upskilling, and professional development;
- STEAM and creativity in early childhood and primary education;
- Equity, inclusion, and accessibility in education;
- Student voice, agency, and participatory approaches in education;
- Leadership, governance, and adaptive school management;
- Education for resilience, sustainability, and social wellbeing;
- Socially engaged teaching and community-oriented learning;
- Career pathways, coaching, and lifelong guidance;
- Higher education and lifelong learning for the future of work.