

Galess Newsletter 9

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Conferences in 2026, The GALESS Research Domain

New GALESS TiltShift conferences in 2026 in Poland and Australia are planned. If you want to know more about Information Letters and Information Packs to prepare these conferences please consult the news-section of our website www.galeless.org.

The research domain in 2026 is : Colours Included. It directs the attention in 2026 to the position of minority groups in our society. Our Thesis for the research activities is:

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Focus your research on a minority group in your society. What are the challenges faced by this minority group in your society. Involve a "voice" from this group in your considerations and research-result,

Minority Rights as an international question. The United Nations's International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) Article 27. The ICCPR profile of my country looks like this..... ,

Thesis: The protection and promotion of minority rights is essential for building stable, inclusive, and prosperous societies.

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New Conferences in 2027

We are delighted to announce 3 new conferences in 2027 in the research domain: Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Solutions. **The African Leadership Academy in Johannesburg in South Africa** will organize a conference in June 2027. **The Bina Bangsa School School in Jakarta, Indonesia** will be our second partner for a conference in September 2027. To complete our conference calendar in 2027, **Suzhou Highschool from China** will be our first GALESS conference activity in this country ! Further introduction of these schools: see this newsletter.

Singapore Conference June 2025 : The art of perfection



Perfection, it is just how you “deal”, “fit to”, “fine tune” and implement a top conference in our GALESS Conference cycle. This time it all happened in Singapore, June 2025

How to do this ? Cooperation with, and within the organizing team from Singapore School of Technology in a phantastic city : Singapore – just amazing. The combination between a quality approach and fun, great jury-efforts, the culture shock of learning a Wiener Waltz in an Asian setting, The “inventive & diverse agenda” of an international meeting of students generating smiling faces all the time. Dedicated guiding teachers, jury and visitors, quality presentations of top-students, and the general feeling that stays there : a life-time experience never to forget !

Another conference to be added to the Hall of Fame in the GALESS conference history. We “take our hat off” for the SST team and supporting staff. Thank you all again !

Conferences 2026: Poland (June/July) and Melbourne (August)

The conference in Poland will be the first GALESS conference in 2026. Hosted by IV Liceum Ogólnokształcące im. Mikołaja Kopernika w Rybniku for the second time. This conference will also host our GALESS AC meeting in 2026. A further introduction of the school is expected in newsletter No 10 in January 2026.

Poland Conference Date : June 29 – July 3, 2026

The second GALESS conference in 2026: The Boroondara Gifted Network (our partner for GALESS Conferences in Australia) has changed their name to: **Melbourne and Beyond Gifted Network**. They extended their activities to more schools in their region. An announcing Information Letter for their conference is expected early November. More news about their network also in newsletter No 10.

Melbourne Conference: August 18 – 21, 2026

MELBOURNE AND BEYOND GIFTED NETWORK



From our African partner : GALESS Conference 2027 Johannesburg, South Africa -- written by Fabris Mulindi



African Leadership Academy
Developing the next generation of African leaders

Pioneering Sustainability: The Inaugural GALESS Conference Arrives in Africa at ALA

As a proud alumnus of the African Leadership Academy (ALA) and the current Global Alliance of Leading Edge Schools for Sustainability (GALESS) Ambassador for Africa, I am thrilled to announce a groundbreaking event: the first-ever GALESS Conference on African soil, set for June 2027 at ALA's Johannesburg campus. Embracing the theme "Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Solutions," this conference aims to explore how AI technologies can be harnessed to address pressing environmental and societal challenges. By bringing together experts from various fields, we seek to foster discussions on innovative AI applications that promote sustainability, from optimizing energy consumption to enhancing resource management. This theme underscores our commitment to leveraging cutting-edge technology for a more sustainable future. This milestone not only marks a significant moment for GALESS but also underscores Africa's growing influence in the global sustainability dialogue.



Reflecting on my journey—from a refugee in Uganda to presenting at the GALESS Conference in Poland—I recognize the transformative power of such platforms. GALESS has been instrumental in nurturing young innovators, fostering academic exchange, and promoting collaborative solutions to pressing global challenges. However, African representation has been limited. Hosting the 2027 conference at ALA is a pivotal step towards inclusivity, offering African students a unique opportunity to engage directly in shaping a sustainable future.



ALA's mission to develop the next generation of African leaders aligns seamlessly with GALESS's objectives. By bringing together bright minds from across the continent and beyond, the 2027 conference aims to inspire actionable solutions to sustainability challenges, leveraging Africa's rich diversity and potential. As we prepare for this landmark event, I invite educators, students, and sustainability advocates to join us in Johannesburg. Together, we can cultivate a community dedicated to impactful change, ensuring that African voices are at the forefront of global sustainability efforts. Let's unite in this endeavor to empower the next generation of leaders and innovators. The 2027 GALESS Conference at ALA is more than an event; it's a movement towards a sustainable and inclusive future.



*We extend our heartfelt appreciation to **Uzo Agyare-Kumi**, Dean of the African Leadership Academy, whose unwavering commitment to nurturing young leaders inspires us all, and to **Huib Schilling**, CEO of GALESS, whose visionary leadership continues to drive innovation and excellence in our collaborative endeavors.*



GALESS Conference Jakarta, Indonesia. September 2027. How an experience in Singapore can inspire....



From Vision to Action: BBSKJS Welcomes the First-Ever GALESS Sustainability Conference

We at Bina Bangsa School, Kebon Jeruk Secondary (BBSKJS) are deeply honored to announce that our school will be the proud host of the 2027 GALESS Conference, set to take place this September in Jakarta, Indonesia. As a proud representative of the Global Alliance of Leading Edge Schools for Sustainability (GALESS) in Indonesia, we are excited to welcome this landmark international event to our campus.



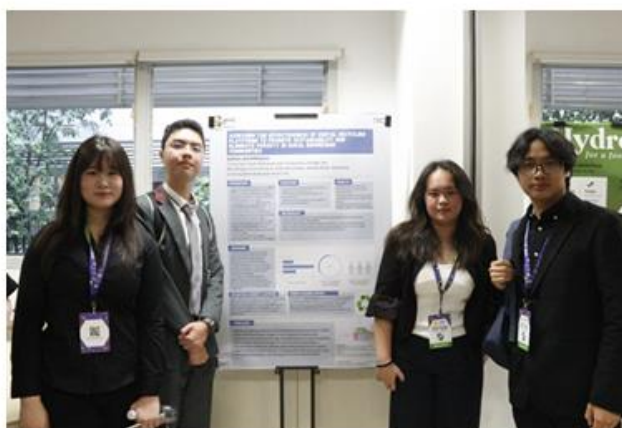
Embracing the theme “Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Solutions,” the conference will bring together visionary students, educators, and sustainability advocates from across the globe to explore how AI can be harnessed to address pressing environmental and social challenges. Through this gathering, participants will exchange ideas, present research, and collaborate on innovative applications of artificial intelligence — from reducing carbon emissions and improving energy efficiency to enhancing waste management and biodiversity protection.

As a school committed to nurturing curious minds and compassionate hearts, BBSKJS believes that technology should serve not only progress, but also people and the planet. This theme reflects our ongoing commitment to integrating advanced technology with environmental responsibility, inspiring our students to lead with both intellect and empathy.

Hosting the 2027 GALESS Conference marks a significant milestone for our school community and for Indonesia’s growing role in the global sustainability movement. It highlights Southeast Asia’s potential as a hub for forward-thinking education and innovation dedicated to a greener future.

Aligned with GALESS’s mission to empower young leaders for a sustainable tomorrow, this year’s conference provides a platform for students to transform ideas into action — designing creative, real-world solutions that make a positive difference. Together, we will explore how artificial intelligence can serve humanity while protecting the planet, ensuring that progress goes hand in hand with preservation.

As BBSKJS prepares to welcome delegates from around the world, we extend an open invitation to educators, students, and changemakers to join us in this exciting endeavor. The 2027 GALESS Conference in Jakarta is more than an event — it is a movement toward a smarter, greener, and more equitable future.



The GALESS STEM Research Conference was both educational and deeply enjoyable. As a first-time researcher unfamiliar with the process, I gained valuable insights while developing my paper and participating in the conference. I had the privilege of meeting many wonderful individuals from diverse countries who shared a common passion for discovery. Listening to the students at the School of Science and Technology, Singapore—where even secondary one (Grade 7) students presented complex scientific concepts—was truly inspiring. The experience showed me that sharing research and nurturing curiosity can indeed benefit the entire community.

-Nathanael Jian Yi Zaoputra

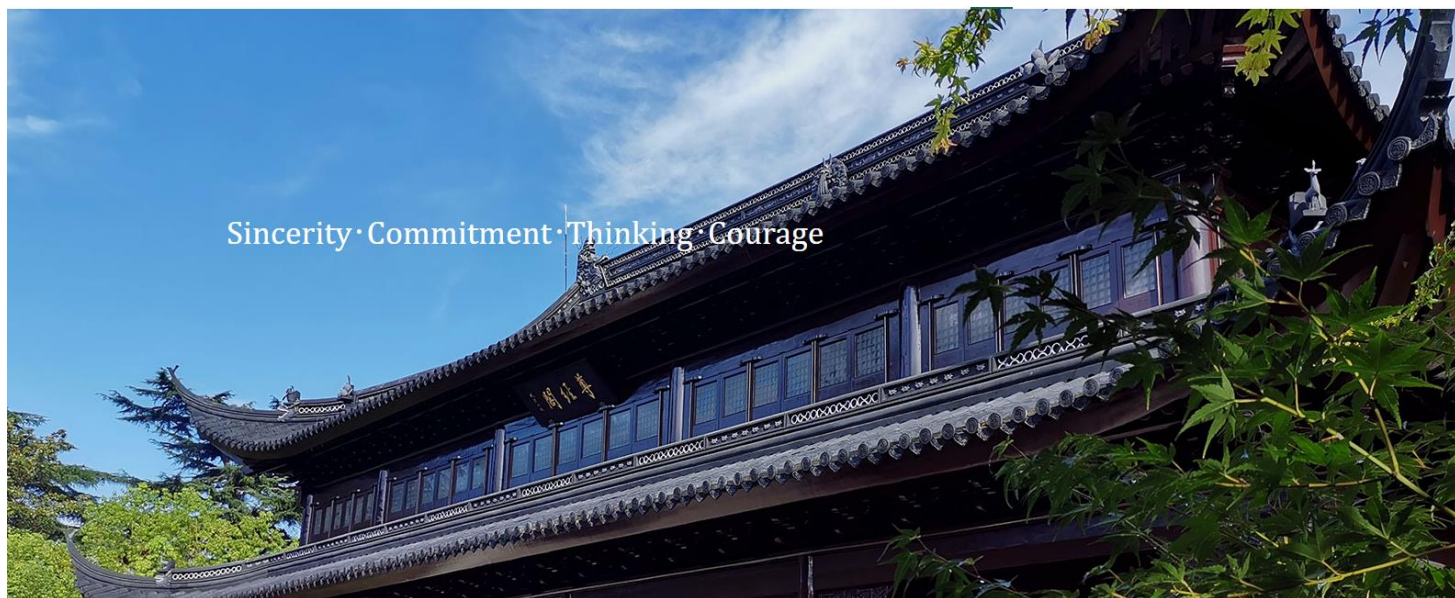


The Global Alliance for Leading Edge Sustainable Schools (GALESS) Conference was a transformative experience. My team researched informal waste workers and how poverty affects their livelihoods. Despite busy schedules, we collaborated across countries to complete our paper. Presenting alongside teams from Singapore and the U.S. was both challenging and inspiring. Through the Dyson workshop and cultural exchanges, I learned the value of collaboration, adaptability, and global friendship — lessons that extended far beyond the conference itself.

-Chloe Lynn Hadi



A GALESS conference in China, Suzhou High School our third conference partner in 2027 and more to come.. !



Just before the publication of this newsletter we completed an initial agreement with Suzhou High School in China for a GALESS conference in 2027 at their school. We deeply thank our Dr. Theresa Lai, and consultant Mr. Dylan Woo and Eric Zhao for their very committed work in this ! More news about this conference in our next newsletter No 10.

Also, in our pipeline, Dr. Theresa Lai and consultant Mr. Eric Zhao are working with Chengdu No. 7 High School – China on a 2028 GALESS Conference @ Chengdu experience !

People in our GALESS Community

From our direction team:



Mrs Leonor Clares, co-director of our GALESS organization, changed schools per May 1 this year and became principal of Virolai School Barcelona.

<https://virolai.com/>

Mr. Francesc Rubio, also co-director of the GALESS organization, changed his job and will be acting as an independent consultant for educational affairs now.



Mr. Chai Reddy, GALESS director, was installed earlier (season 24/25) as the director of University School of Nashville USA. <https://www.usn.org/>

The GALESS Jury Board

Our GALESS Jury Board is our “supervising partner” for an opinion and/or second opinion regarding all the research reports that are produced during the GALESS conferences. Prof Vladan Babovic, Prof Wim Uittewaal, Prof. Sandra Gilchrist and Prof Cristina Roscoe Vianna have contributed with great assistance in this job during many years. The GALESS direction team would like to extend this board with more expertise in the broad perspective of the different GALESS research domains. With the thematic approaches “Minorities” in 2026 and “AI for Sustainable Solutions” in 2027 and 2028 in front of us, it is clear that we look for persons with a background & history in these particular research-domains. We invite you to react ! For more information please write to h.schilling@galess.org

The GALESS Advisory Council (AC)

Our AC will be together to discuss the further developments in our GALESS organization during a meeting in Poland on June 29, 2026. We expect great live presence at that time, but we will also connect with our AC virtually during the meeting for those that can't be present at that time. A virtual link will be provided at that time as well. Our conference partners for 2027, even also for 2028, will present themselves during this meeting and we'll talk about further plans to develop our GALESS profile in the future.