Preface

Aims and Scope of the Conference

The 4th International Conference on Strategic Innovative Marketing 2015 took place in Mykonos, Greece, during September 24–27, 2015. IC-SIM is an international interdisciplinary conference focusing on the theoretical approach to the contemporary issues involved in strategic marketing and the integration of theory and practice.

More than 267 pre-registered authors submitted their works in the conference. IC-SIM 2015 finally accepted and hosted 90 original research papers, after a double-blinded peer-review process. During the conference, 11 workshops were held in order to advance and contribute to specific research areas in the field of innovative marketing.

The conference created a forum for further discussion on strategic innovative marketing field incorporating a series of issues and/or related to organizations that manage marketing in their everyday operations. Therefore, the call for papers was addressed to scholars and/or professionals from different fields such as social media and marketing innovation, e-marketing and new technologies, strategic marketing, services and cultural marketing, international and cross-cultural marketing, marketing research and analytics, marketing communications, B2B, and B2C marketing. Furthermore, papers focused on the issues of consumer behavior and advertising and promotion were also welcomed. IC-SIM provides a common ground for the exchange of insights on strategic issues in science of innovation marketing, ensuring significant contributions to this field.

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Grouping the emerging technologies in the marketing field together in a close examination of practices, problems, and trends, IC-SIM emphasizes integration and marketing, presenting the state of the art in the field. This annual event is addressed jointly to academics and practitioners and provides a forum for a number of
perspectives, based on either theoretical analyses or empirical case studies that foster dialogue and exchange of ideas.

**Topics**


**Paper Peer Review**

More than 215 original papers had been submitted for consideration in IC-SIM 2015. All papers submitted to the conference were reviewed using a double-blind peer-review process. The scientific committee decided about whether or not to accept the submitted papers, with the contribution from competent and expert reviewers.

**Thanks**

We would like to thank all members that participated in any way in the IC-SIM 2015 Conference and especially:

- The famous publication house Springer for their communication sponsorship.
- The co-organizing universities and institutes for their support and development of a high-quality conference at scientific level and profile.
• The members of the scientific committee that honored the conference with their presence and provided a significant contribution to the review of papers as well as for their indications for the improvement of the conference.
• All members of the organizing committee for their help, support, and spirited participation before, during, and after the conference.
• The session organizers for their willing to organize sessions of high importance and for their editorial work, contributing in the development of valued services to the conference.
• Ms. Antonia Veltsista, editorial assistant.
• Dr. Dimitrios K. Nasiopoulos, editorial assistant.