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## PREFACE

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The compilation of proceeding abstracts includes 83 research abstracts that are divided into 3 sections according to their respective disciplines; Management and Business, Science and Technology, and Social Science and Humanities.

It is hoped that this book would inspire its readers to undertake further research in the specific fields or disciplines.

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#### **POPULAR CULTURE: IT'S OK TO BE GAY!**

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#### ABSTRACT

Media in the postmodernist era are closely related to the rise of multicultural theories. One of the most important multicultural theories of today's social world is the queer theory. Queer theory involves a range of intellectual ideas rooted in the contention that identities are not fixed and stable and do not determine who we are. It is apparent that today's media based their concept upon this idea, as more entertainment shows from the West especially are open in discussing homosexual issues. Many people especially young people are more open to this concept. The media is in a way educating the public to accept others as what or whom they chose to be. Thus this paper's purpose is to analyze popular television series 'Glee' on how it is dealing with teen homosexuality issues.

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