



1st International Research Congress on Knowledge Generation and Dissemination in Africa

03-06th December 2017

Final Call for Abstracts

HOST: MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST),
KAKAMEGA, KENYA

Congress Theme: Harnessing Research Output for Sustainable Development

INTRODUCTION

The 1st International Research Congress will be hosted by Masinde Muliro University of Science & Technology (MMUST), Kakamega-Kenya in partnership with University of Venda (UNIVEN)-South Africa; Walter Sisulu University (WSU)-South Africa; Botswana International University of Science & Technology (BIUST)-Botswana and University of Ibadan (UI)-Nigeria. The Congress will serve as a platform for harnessing research output in addressing sustainable development goals.

CONGRESS SUB-THEMES

Science and Technology for Sustainable Development

- Food security and improved nutrition for sustainable livelihoods
- Renewable and non-renewable energy for development
- Sustainable agriculture, livestock and aquaculture
- Sustainable consumption and production patterns for development
- Science & Engineering technologies for sustainable development

Education, Social Services and Health for Sustainable Development

- Health sciences and promotion of human well-being
- Access to quality, inclusive & equitable education at all ages
- Management of water resources, availability and provision of water and sanitation for development
- Peaceful and inclusive societies for development
- Accountability and justice for peaceful coexistence

Governance and Economic Development

- Strategic planning for poverty reduction and socio-economic development
- Gender equity and empowerment of all for socio-economic development
- Sustainable economic growth and productive employment for all
- Rational and equitable distribution of resources
- Global cohesion and integration for peace and development

Indigenous and Alternative Knowledge Systems for Development

- Alternative medicine and cultural determinants of health and well-being
- Indigenous methods, traditional rights and cultural diversity
- Traditional foods, nutrition and well being
- Community led solutions: cultural resurgence and resilience
- Manifold and divergent indigenous identities to nation building

Research and Knowledge Management for Commercialization

- Sustainable infrastructure and innovations for industrial development
- Research, innovation & intellectual property for wealth creation and development
- Indigenous knowledge management & information sharing
- Strategic intellectual property management & commercialization
- Capacity building for productive research and sustainable development

Climate Change and Environmental Management for Sustainable Development

- Global warming, climate change and climate variability
- Sustainable utilization of marine resources and use of terrestrial biodiversity and ecosystems for development
- Promote sustainable use of land, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation
- Safe and sustainable planning for human settlements
- Waste management and environmental pollution

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Researchers, academics, postgraduate students managers and policy makers in Government, inter-governmental and non-governmental organisations, research administrators, staff of research councils and agencies, and any other interested persons.

GUIDELINES FOR STRUCTURE, FORMAT AND SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS, PAPERS & POSTERS

Details of the abstract structure and format can be found by following this [FORMATTING INSTRUCTIONS](#) hyper-link which also has Word and LaTeX templates.

Submissions should *ONLY* be done online by the advertised deadlines, by following this [CONGRESS ABSTRACT SUBMISSION](#) hyper-link. Authors of accepted abstracts will be required to submit full papers to the same [LINK](#) which will be peer reviewed for publication in the congress book of proceedings.

Poster abstracts should also be submitted to [CONGRESS ABSTRACT SUBMISSION](#) hyper-link. All posters should have a uniform size of A0. Posters will be mounted at designated places at the congress venue. Poster presenters should be available at certain times during the congress.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 22nd September, 2017 - Abstract submission deadline
- 20th September, 2017 - Notification of acceptance of abstract
- 10th October, 2017 - Payment of registration fees deadline
- 20th October, 2017 - Deadline for submission of full paper for peer review

PRESENTATION LANGUAGE

The abstracts, papers and posters should be in British English with well structured and understandable text.

SUBMISSION POLICY

Authors are limited to two oral presentations.

MODE OF PRESENTATION

- Presentations are welcome in oral and poster formats.
- The organizing committee will provide laptop and LCD projector for all audio-visual presentations.

Companies are welcome to display their promotional items at the following fees.

- Developed countries - U.S. \$400
- Developing countries - U.S. \$200

DISSEMINATION/PUBLICATIONS

All accepted papers will be developed into manuscripts and submitted for consideration in the Congress proceedings.

CONGRESS EXCURSIONS

Excursions will be organised to the world famous Maasai Mara National Park and Kakamega Forest. Details can be found on the Congress [webpage](#)

REGISTRATION

Applicable fees to be paid into MMUST Account are as follows:

Participation fees:

- Developed countries (Academics) - U.S. \$150
- Developed countries (Students) -U.S. \$50
- Developing countries (Academics) - U.S. \$100
- Developing countries (Students) -U.S. \$50

Fees to be paid into account:

- **Standard Chartered Bank Account, P.O. Box 292 - 50100, Kakamega, Kenya.**
- **Acc. No: 0102098712400, Kakamega Branch, Kenya.**
- **SWIFT code: SCBLKENXXX .**
- **Bank code: 002.**
- **Beneficiary: 1st International Research Congress on Knowledge Generation and Dissemination in Africa.**

Terms and conditions:

- The registration fee includes: conference attendance, luncheon, coffee/tea and snacks (3 days), International Research Congress on Knowledge Generation and Dissemination in Africa (ICKGDA-2017) Congress Proceedings (hard and soft copies) and certificate of attendance. Also included is a networking dinner.
- For multi-authored papers each attending author needs to separately register and pay individual registration fee.
- The registration fee does NOT include hotel accommodation.
- Cancellations made before the registration deadline attract a 10 % administrative charge while those made on or after the registration deadline attract a 30% administration charge.