



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS — EXTENDED UNTIL NOVEMBER 15ST —

Leuphana University and the **GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies** have already received a number of stimulating and promising abstracts and proposals for thematic sessions for the conference “Africa and Europe Moving Forward – Evidence-based Solutions for African Development”. In order to correspond to many requests to prolong the timeframe to submit abstracts and proposals, Leuphana University and GIGA have decided **to extend the deadline for submitting abstracts and proposals**. Once again, we are pleased to share the conference formats, the tentative conference program and the call for proposals with you.

Lueneburg, Germany
January 24 – 26, 2019

EXTENDED SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Thursday, November 15, 2018, 5:00 p.m. CET

CONFERENCE FORMATS

Keynote Speeches

Experts in the field of our conference theme “Economy, Employment, and Entrepreneurship” will hold keynote speeches. They will establish the main underlying theme of the conference, give a direction and inspire participants to view the conference theme from different perspectives. We are honored that former president of Germany and former head of IMF Dr Horst Köhler, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON) Hon Hanna S. Tetteh, and Lead Economist of the World Bank Dr Markus P. Goldstein have agreed to give the keynote speeches.

Poster Session

The poster session is a platform for conference participants, who want to present their papers and projects. For each poster, we will ask designated expert discussants to provide in-depth comments on the participants' papers and projects.

Panels

During the panels, a group of three to five experts will discuss a conference-related topic in a manner that brings new insights to the subject. A moderator will ask topic-related questions, guide the discussion, summarize the statements made and initiate a subsequent discussion with the audience.

Thematic Sessions

Thematic sessions consist of accepted papers and reports from researchers and practitioners grouped together by the conference organization committee. Alternatively, thematic sessions are contributed sessions, which are organized by one or more institutions on a common topic. Each session consists of the presentation of three to five papers that have been submitted prior to the conference. Each thematic session has one session chair who will introduce the session and provide a short overarching discussion on all papers at the end of the session.

Organized Workshops

The organized workshop is a hands-on workshop that delivers practical knowledge about conference-related topics. The workshop will be organized by the conference organization committee of Leuphana University of Lüneburg. All participants can participate in the workshop. They will listen to short presentations on relevant topics and then work on related exercises. The organized workshop thereby encourages discussions between participants from different disciplines and offers high level learning experiences to a broad public.



TENTATIVE CONFERENCE PROGRAM

| DAY | TIME | AGENDA | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|---|
| THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2019 | 10:00 - 11:30 | ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION | | |
| | 11:30 - 12:00 | OPENING SPEECH – SASCHA SPOUN | | |
| | 12:00 - 12:30 | INTRODUCTORY SPEECH – MICHAEL FRESE & JANN LAY | | |
| | 12:30 - 14:00 | LUNCH | | |
| | 14:00 - 15:30 | POSTER SESSION The poster session is a platform for conference participants, who want to present their papers and projects. For each poster, we will ask designated expert discussants to provide in-depth comments on the participants' papers and projects. | | |
| | 15:30 - 16:00 | COFFEE BREAK | | |
| | 16:00 - 17:30 | SESSION 1: UNESCO biosphere reserves – How to use evidence-based approaches for sustainable economic development in Africa ----- <i>Lutz Möller (DUK)</i> | SESSION 2: DAAD impact-oriented monitoring and partnerships between Germany and developing countries: presentation of projects, evaluation techniques and results ----- <i>Michael Hörig (DAAD)</i> | SESSION 3: Evidence-based solutions for better governance: The Metaketa Initiative on Information and Accountability ----- <i>Macartan Humphreys (WZB)</i> <i>Ryan Jablonski (LSE)</i> <i>Malte Lierl (GIGA)</i> |
| | 18:00 – 19:00 | TALK BY HORST KÖHLER | | |
| 19:30 | DINNER – GET TOGETHER | | | |



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| FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2019 | 8:30 – 10:00 | <p>PANEL 1:</p> <p>Good leadership as a factor for economic growth</p> <p>-----</p> <p><i>Mathias Kamp (KAS): Best practices from Uganda and South Sudan</i> <i>Virginia Villar-Arribas (WFP, tbc): Achievements in Burundi</i> <i>Obiora Ike (CIDJAP, tbc): Importance of ethics and values in African leadership</i></p> <p><i>Comments: Mona Mensmann (WBS)</i></p> | <p>PANEL 2:</p> <p>Towards decent and productive work</p> <p>-----</p> <p><i>Jann Lay (GIGA): Employment-related SDGs and African challenges</i> <i>Jochen Kluge (RWI): Lessons learnt from Active labour market policies in Africa and beyond</i> <i>Charles Ackah (ISSER, tbc): Structural change and employment growth</i></p> <p><i>Comments: Karin Wedig (GIZ)</i> <i>Martin Ostermeier (ILO, tbc)</i></p> |
| | 10:00 – 10:30 | COFFEE BREAK | |
| | 10:30 – 12:00 | KEYNOTE – HANNA S. TETTEH | |
| | 12:00 – 13:30 | LUNCH | |
| | 13:30 – 15:00 | <p>PANEL 3:</p> <p>Rural economies and employment</p> <p>-----</p> <p><i>Maria Lee (WOCAN, tbc): Rural youth employment</i> <i>Kacana Khadjavi (IfW, tbc): Large-scale agricultural investments, change, and employment</i></p> <p><i>Tabea Lakemann and Hannes Greve (GIGA, tbc): Smallholders, productivity and employment</i> <i>Christopher Cramer (SOAS, tbc): Fair trade and labour markets</i></p> | <p>PANEL 4:</p> <p>Training and education to foster entrepreneurship through incubators</p> <p>-----</p> <p><i>Jane Khayesi (UE): Entrepreneurship networks in Africa</i> <i>Benson Honig (DSB): Entrepreneurship in Africa: A cultural perspective</i> <i>Ingo Badoreck (DAS): Business, entrepreneurship and development in Africa</i> <i>Waswa Balunywa (MUBS): Evidence-based entrepreneurship trainings in Uganda</i></p> <p><i>Comments: Michael Gielnik (LU)</i></p> |
| | 15:00 – 15:30 | COFFEE BREAK | |
| | 15:30 – 17:00 | KEYNOTE – MARCUS GOLDSTEIN | |
| 17:30 – 18:30 | <p>FINAL PANEL:</p> <p>European-African relations</p> <p>-----</p> <p><i>Panelists tbc</i> <i>Comments: Jann Lay</i></p> | | |
| 19:00 | DINNER | | |



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| SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2019 | 9:00 – 10:30 | ORGANIZED WORKSHOP BY LEUPHANA – EVIDENCE-BASED TRAININGS FOR FOSTERING ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES |
| | 10:30 – 11:00 | COFFEE BREAK |
| | 11:00 – 11:30 | OUTLOOK – OUR JOURNEY SO FAR, THE JOURNEY AHEAD MICHAEL GIELNIK |

CONFERENCE FEES & ACCOMMODATION

The conference fee is 125.10 EUR for PhD students or participants from Africa; 280.75EUR for early registrations; 386.60 EUR for late registrations. The participation fee includes meals and beverages during the conference.

There are special offers for accommodation which can be found on our [website](#). The booking code for these offers is “Africa”.

SUBMISSION OPTIONS

Until November 15, you can submit abstracts of your paper(s), research and practical projects, or contributed sessions (including a list of 2-3 speakers). You can submit several abstracts for the three options. All this can be done either during registration via <https://en.xing-events.com/africa-conference> or via our email africa-conference@leuphana.de.

You can submit an abstract **without** registering for the conference. If you prefer this option, please submit your abstract via our email africa-conference@leuphana.de.

Of course, you may also register for the conference without submitting an abstract via <https://en.xing-events.com/africa-conference>.

Additionally, you can register for the Organized Workshop by Leuphana on Saturday.

DEADLINES

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE

November 15, 2018

NOTIFICATION OF REJECTION OR ACCEPTANCE OF ABSTRACTS

November 30, 2018

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE

November 30, 2018

DEADLINE FOR ALL REGISTRATIONS

January 10, 2019

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

If you have submitted your abstract via <https://en.xing-events.com/africa-conference> or, you do not need to send it again via email.

You will receive an email with information on acceptance of your abstracts on November 30. Some papers presented at the conference will then also be considered for publication in a special issue in World Development.

PLEASE NOTE

Your abstract should be a maximum 750-word abstract (in doc / docx format) including title, description of the project, method, implications and results.

As a requirement for the Special Issue papers must (1) have a strong evidence base for proposed arguments; (2) avoid advocacy except for recommendations that rest on analysis and evidence; (3) clearly show the advance over existing knowledge; and (4) be empirical analyses for the most part and should not be based mostly on reviews of existing work. Please find here a *Guide for Authors*.



CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

LEUPHANA UNIVERSITY

Prof Michael Frese, Prof Michael Gielnik und Prof Mona Mensmann are responsible for the conference organization at Leuphana University. Promoting entrepreneurship in developing countries has been their main research topic for over twenty years. The research team developed two training programs for different target groups: Student Training for Entrepreneurial Promotion (STEP; www.step-training.com) and Personal Initiative (PI) Training (<https://pi-training.org/>). The trainings have been successfully implemented at universities, vocational training institutions and schools in several countries across Africa, Asia and Latin-America. The team has published their work in high-ranked journals, e.g. in Science, Journal of Applied Psychology, Academy of Management Journal, Academy of Management Learning & Education. For his outstanding research and his significant contributions to the science and practice of management, Prof Frese has been rewarded several times. He has been selected as a Fellow at the Academy of Management (AOM) and as a member of the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina. In 2016, he was awarded the "Trailblazer Award" by the Africa Academy of Management and the "Dedication to Entrepreneurship Award" by the Academy of Management. Prof. Frese is one of the top management and entrepreneurship researchers (Handelsblatt and Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung).

GIGA GERMAN INSTITUTE OF GLOBAL AND AREA STUDIES

At the GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies Apl Prof Jann Lay and Tabea Lakemann are the organizers of the conference. The GIGA conducts research on political, economic, and social developments in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East, as well as on global issues. The GIGA stands for an approach that is global in content, reach, and structure. It combines in-depth area expertise with comparative and interdisciplinary analysis, generating insights that are relevant from an academic and a real-world perspective. The GIGA regularly advises political and economic decision makers, but also informs the general public, particularly via the widely read GIGA Focus policy briefs. The institute entertains particularly strong ties to the German Foreign Office and the Federal Ministry of Development and Cooperation, and advises numerous organizations in the field of development cooperation. Through its Berlin office, the institute is also represented in the German capital. Apl Prof Jann Lay is Head of the Research Programme "Growth and Development" at GIGA. As adjunct professor, he also teaches development economics at the University of Goettingen. His work is on various facets of sustainable development, including the poverty and distributional impact of economic reforms, labour markets and informality, the impacts of commercial agricultural expansion, as well as issues related to energy, climate and development. In 2017, he was co-chair of the Task Force on the "Agenda 2030" as part of the T20 process (<http://t20germany.org/>) and has, for example, written and commented on the G20 Compact with Africa. He is also a member of the "European Expert Network on International Cooperation and Development" of the European Commission and member of the Steering Committee of the Land Matrix Initiative. His academic work has been published articles in internationally renowned journals.



FURTHER INFORMATION

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