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## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS, PAPERS, POSTERS AND EXHIBITS

### 10<sup>th</sup> Chuka University Annual International Research Conference

**THEME: MAINSTREAMING RESEARCH INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY-TRANSFER AND COMMERCIALIZATION FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIES (MRIT-TCSE)**

**DATES: 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

**VENUE: Chuka University Main Campus**

#### PREAMBLE:

Chuka University was established as the 2nd Chartered and 9<sup>th</sup> Full-Fledged Public University in Kenya on January 8<sup>th</sup> 2013 and is ISO 9001:2015 Certified. It is located in Chuka Town in Tharaka-Nithi County at approximately 186 km from Nairobi City along the Nairobi-Meru Highway. Chuka University has a triple core Mission of Education, Research and Extension. Research and novel innovation efforts can be harnessed to transform societies through technology-transfer, commercialization and entrepreneurship. The University desires to strengthen, sustain research outputs and promote technology-transfer and commercialization through the 10<sup>th</sup> International Research Conference.

#### OBJECTIVES:

1. To apprise technology-transfer and commercialization of research innovations for sustainable economies.
2. To display research innovations, and entrepreneurship opportunities in the face of current economic crises.
3. To influence policy through evidence in research innovations commercialization in meeting societal needs.
4. To share novel research outputs that will contribute to sustainable livelihoods and economies for transformative societies.
5. To forge partnerships and networks for collaborations in education, research, innovations, outreach, technology-transfer and commercialization for sustainable economies.

#### RATIONALE

The current hostile environmental conditions related to negative climate change effects has left sources of livelihoods for both man and livestock at a perilous condition. The next meals are not assured nor the source of household livelihoods. The scenario has been worsened by the current political and economic uncertainties that have affected both local and international markets for goods and services. The current challenges have set in before complete economic recovery from effects of COVID-19 pandemic, and this has exacerbated the problems. Research on stable and sustainable production processes and mainstreaming innovations and technology-transfer into commercialization could cushion societies from vulnerability to emerging and devastating constraints. The aim of this year's 10<sup>th</sup> International Research Conference (10<sup>th</sup> IRC) will be to provide a platform for researchers from all over the world to share novel research innovations and technologies for commercialization and sustainable economies.

#### SUB-THEMES FOR MRIT-TCSE

1. Agriculture and Environment
2. Hospitality and Business
3. Education and Training
4. Law, Humanities and Social Science
5. Science, Engineering & Technology
6. Health for Sustainable Economies

#### ABSTRACT PREPARATION GUIDELINES

- i. Each abstract should include the names of the author(s), affiliation(s), postal, e-mail and telephone contacts.
- ii. Each full paper should have 10 pages, single-spaced, font size 10, Times New Roman, Tables and Figures should be inserted near where they are first cited, and MS Word type setting only.
- iii. All references cited appropriately in the text should be listed alphabetically using either APA, MLA, Chicago, or Harvard style.
- iv. Authors should indicate whether the paper is already published, or not, below the author's address.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of Abstracts open from: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023  
Deadline for Submission of Abstracts: 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023  
Deadline for Submission of Full Papers: 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023  
Registration Open from: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023  
Conference Registration Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
Conference Attendance Dates: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> & Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

#### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

1. Chuka University Students: KES 2,000/=
2. Chuka University Staff Members: KES 4,000/=
3. Other Universities' Students KES: 4,000/=
4. Kenya and Eastern Africa Participants: KES 10,000/=
5. Other Participants/Exhibition: US\$ 150 (KES 15,000/=)

#### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

1. Poster write-up, and abstract with  $\leq 300$  words, should be emailed before deadline to: [chukauni.jesar@chuka.ac.ke](mailto:chukauni.jesar@chuka.ac.ke). Proposal abstracts are not acceptable.
2. Abstracts should highlight the Subtheme, Title, Objective, Problem, Methodology, Key Findings, Discussion, Conclusions, Recommendations and, Six Keywords.
3. Published findings are welcome for transfer, dissemination and sharing purposes.

#### NOTES:

Registration fee covers meals, book of abstracts, conference package and attendance certificate only. All payments to be made in favour of: Chuka University, Equity Bank Limited, Chuka Branch, Account Number: **0210262271525**.

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