



Rising Africa

Post-COVID-19 Challenges: Lessons Learned and Opportunities

May 19 to 22, 2021

Joint Conference of the Africa Business and Entrepreneurship Research Society, the Institut panafricain de la gouvernance économique et financière and the CEDIMES Institute USA

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Africa Business and Entrepreneurship Research Society (ABERS), the Institut panafricain de la gouvernance économique et financière (IPAGEF) and the CEDIMES Institute USA, in collaboration with Université Laval's Faculty of Business Administration and other partner institutions, are organizing the 10th edition of the Africa Business Conference to be held from May 19 to 22, 2021 at Université Laval, in Québec City, Canada.

Authors are invited to submit original unpublished manuscripts covering topics related to business, entrepreneurship and governance in Africa. Submitted papers may cover a single country, comparisons between various countries, as well as transborder business or entrepreneurship. Case studies are also welcome.

Papers drafted in English or French will be considered for presentation.

PAPER TOPICS

Papers may address (but are not limited to) the following topics:

- Foundations promoting entrepreneurship in Africa
- Governance issues related to business development in Africa
- Impact of COVID-19 on entrepreneurship and business development in Africa
- Foreign Direct Investments and government promotion of entrepreneurship in Africa
- Connecting research and entrepreneurship in Africa
- Language, culture and entrepreneurship
- Doing business in Africa: public policy options for a business-enabling environment
- Development of Space Technology and its business applications in Africa
- Entrepreneurship and healthcare
- Entrepreneurship and technology
- Entrepreneurship and clean energy
- Entrepreneurship and social justice
- Entrepreneurship and processing of raw materials
- Intercultural communication and business
- Business education and foreign languages
- University partnerships and entrepreneurs
- Entrepreneurship education
- Business incubation/accelerators
- Business financing: venture capital, private equity, banks, capital markets, angel investors, crowdfunding, microfinance, SRI, etc.
- Chinese and Indian business engagement with Africa
- The Diaspora investment, remittances and entrepreneurship
- Small and medium-sized enterprises and microenterprises
- Social entrepreneurship
- Gender, youth and entrepreneurship
- Rural entrepreneurship
- Marketing, HR or supply chain management
- Leadership strategy in business
- Innovation in small business
- SMEs and international business
- Any other topics of interest for this conference

The best papers will receive an excellence award and selected papers will be published in *Transnational Corporations Review (TNCR)*.

Please go to the conference website (www.fsa.ulaval.ca/2021-abers) for more details on the presentation guidelines for abstracts and full papers.

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission deadline: **January 31, 2021**

Reduced registration fee payment deadline: **March 14, 2021**

Full paper submission deadline: **April 5, 2021**

Conference dates: **May 19 to 22, 2021**

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