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# Welcome

Ladies and gentlemen,

Good morning and welcome to the 2024 African Finance and Economics Association Conference! It is with great pleasure and honor that we convene to delve into crucial discussions shaping the financial and economic landscape of our beloved continent. This gathering serves as a testament to our collective commitment towards advancing prosperity, sustainability, and inclusivity across Africa. As we embark on these deliberations, let us remain steadfast in our dedication to fostering innovation, driving impactful policies, and nurturing collaborations that will propel our economies to new heights.

Throughout this conference, we have the unique opportunity to exchange insights, share best practices, and explore innovative solutions to the challenges and opportunities facing our financial and economic ecosystems. Together, we can harness the power of knowledge, expertise, and partnership to forge a path towards a brighter, more prosperous future for all Africans.

We extend sincere gratitude to our distinguished speakers, esteemed guests, and dedicated participants for your presence and contributions to this important dialogue. Let us seize this moment to inspire, learn, and collaborate, as we strive towards building a more resilient, inclusive, and prosperous Africa.

Thank you, and may our discussions over the coming days ignite new ideas and pathways for sustainable growth and development across our continent. Welcome to the African Finance and Economics Association Conference!

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## **Conference at a Glance**

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## Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>

ON-SITE REGISTRATION July 16 @ 08: 00 AM – 09: 00 AM

DAY ONE BREAKOUT SESSION ONE July 16 @ 12: 00 PM – 02: 00 PM

[1311]	Regional Financial Integration and Development	Seminar Room 1
[111]	Agricultural Practices, Production and Food Security	Seminar Room 2
[511]	Financial Inclusion and Economic Development	Seminar Room 3
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[711]	Capital Flows and Economic Sustainability	Seminar Room 8
[211]	Industrialization and Environmental Sustainability	Main Auditorium

LUNCH July 16 @ 02: 00 PM – 03: 30 PM

DAY ONE BREAKOUT SESSION TWO July 16 @ 03: 30 PM – 05: 30 PM

[1312]	Regional Integration and Welfare Dynamics	Seminar Room 1
[113]	Agriculture, Value Addition, and Economic Empowerment	Seminar Room 2
	Financial Development's Moderating Effects on Growth	
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[1212]	Financial Inclusion and Economic Development	Main Auditorium

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July 17 @ 11: 30 AM– 1: 30 PM

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[521]	Market Efficiency and Investment Decisions	Seminar Room 2
[1021]	Renewable Energy Policies and Economic Implications	Seminar Room 3
[421]	Energy Infrastructure and Technology Adoption	Seminar Room 4
	Digital Transformation, Technology Adoption, and Economic	
[1421]	Development	Seminar Room 5
[621]	Gender Perspectives in Economic Development	Seminar Room 6
[721]	Foreign Direct Investment and Economic Policies	Seminar Room 7
[221]	Climate-Smart Agriculture and Agricultural Innovation	Seminar Room 8
		Main
[1221]	Education, Employment, and Social Welfare	Auditorium

LUNCH

July 16 @ 01: 30 PM – 03: 30 PM

DAY TWO BREAKOUT SESSION FOUR

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[522]	Sustainable Finance and Development Goals	Seminar Room 1
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[722]	Trade Dynamics and Economic Growth	Seminar Room 4
[722]	Global Value Chains and Industrialization	Seminar Room 5
[222]	Environment Policy and Economic Development	Seminar Room 6
[322]	COVID-19, Economic Dynamics, & Entrepreneurial Response	Seminar Room 7
[1222]	Economic Development and Poverty Alleviation	Main Auditorium

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**PROGRAMME**

## TUESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

8.00 am – 9:00 am Arrival and Registration of Participants

### 9:00 am – 11.30 pm: Opening of Conference and Plenary Session

**Moderator: Benard Avle – General Manager, Citi**

- ❖ Welcome Address (9:00 am- 9:20 am) – Gbadebo Odularu  
(*President AFEA*)
- ❖ Introduction of Chairperson (9:20 am-9:25 am) -Prof. Mavis Dako-Gyeke  
(*Dean SSS, UG*)
- ❖ Chairperson's Opening Remarks (9:25 am-9:40 am) - Prof. Nana Aba Appiah-Amfo  
(*Vice Chancellor, UG*)
- ❖ Introduction of Keynote Speaker (9:40 am- 9:45 am) - Prof. William Baah-Boateng  
(*Head, Dept of Economics, UG*)
- ❖ Keynote Address (9:45 am- 10:35 am) - Emeritus Prof. Ernest Aryeetey
- ❖ Music Interlude (10:35 am-10:45 am) - Ghana Dance Ensemble
- ❖ Discussants Comments/Q&A (10:45 am- 11:15 am) - Prof. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong  
(*Economics Program Director, ABE/SES, USNSF*)
- ❖ Chairperson's Closing Remarks (11:15 am-11:30 am) - Prof. Nana Aba Appiah-Amfo  
(*Vice Chancellor, UG*)
- ❖ Vote of Thanks/Announcements - Dr. Gloria Afful-Mensah

### 11.30 am – 12:00 noon: Cocoa Break

### Day One Breakout Session(s) : 12:00 noon – 5:30 pm

- ❖ Breakout Session I –  
(12:00noon- 2:00 pm)

#### Seminar Room 1

##### [1311] Regional Financial Integration and Development

**Chair: Socrates Majune, University of Nairobi**

**Papers:** *Regional Financial Integration and Its Impact on Financial Development: Long-Run Evidence from Economic Community of West African States.*

Issa Segda\*, Université Norbert Zongo; Mahamadou Diarra, Université Norbert Zongo  
*Securing ECOWAS's Energy Future with Regional Trade Agreement*

Adeyinka Olure-Bank\*, National Open University of Nigeria; Emmanuel Ajudua, National Open University of Nigeria; Abubakar Bakare-Aremu, National Open University of Nigeria; Vivian Odishika, Samuel Olumuyiwa Olusanya, National Open University of Nigeria; Salako Gbadebo; Emmanuel Alayande University of Education

*Assessing The Currency Market Integration in The SADC Region Amid Global Economic Crises*

Richard Mulenga\*, ZCAS University; Moses Mayondi, Ministry of Finance & National Planning, Zambia; Odongo Nicholas, African Centre for Technology Studies

**Discussants:** Camara Kwasi, University of Cape Coast

Adamu Hassan, Sokoto State University

Rodrigue Dossou-Cadja, University of Rome & Paris School of Economics

#### Seminar Room 2

##### [111] Agricultural Practices, Production and Food Security

**Chair: Alhassan Karakara, University of Cape Coast**

**Papers:** *Adoption Of Fertilizer and Phytosanitary Treatments in Burkina Faso: Determinants and Impact on Household Food Security*

Hamsatou Amadou Boubacar\*, Université Félix Houphouët Boigny; Ngaladjo Bamba Lambert, Enseignant Chercheur Cires; Pam Zhonogo, Enseignant Chercheur Université Thomas Sankara



*Analysis of the Profitability of The Potato Sector Among Growers in The Niayes Zone: The Case of Cayar, Diogo, And Fass Boye.*

Eva Josiane Onadja\*, Association des unions maraîchères des Niayes

*Examining The Nexus Between Herbicide Usage, Weed Resistance, Weed Appearance, Herbicide Usage Knowledge, and Weed Species Extinction in Sustainable Herbicide Practices in Cashew Farming*

Kwaku Adu\*, University of Environment and Sustainable Development; Prince Pobee, Cocoa

Research Institute; Kwame B. Bour, University of Environment and Sustainable Development

**Discussants:** William Asiedu, National Graduate Institute of Policy Studies

Amos Mungala, University of Lusaka

Beatrice Mbinya, University of Nairobi

### **Seminar Room 3**

#### **[511] Financial Inclusion and Economic Development**

**Chair: Monica Puoma Lambon-Quayefio, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *The Influence of Digital Financial Services on The Financial Inclusion by Commercial Banks in Cameroon*

Ngwengeh Beloke\*, University of Buea; Alhassan Abdul-Wakeel Karakara, University of Cape Coast; Evans S. Osabuohien, Covenant University

*Financial Inclusion Determinants Among Youth Entrepreneurs in Tanzania*

Nsubili Isaga\*, Mzumbe University

*Harnessing Tax Revenue Mobilisation Through Demographic Dividends in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Abdulfatai Adedeji\*, Centre for the Study of Economies of Africa Nigeria; Wasiu Adekunle, The Nigerian Economic Summit Group.

**Discussants:** Ndirangu Ngunjiri

John Oladapo, Precious Cornerstone University

Adolf Dzampe, Hiroshima University

### **Seminar Room 4**

#### **[1011] Natural Resources Management and Economic Development**

**Chair: Daniel Kwabena Twerefou, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *Do Structural Constraints Influence Rent-Sharing? An Overview of Gold-Producing Countries in Africa.*

Kalo Achille Sanou\*, Université Clermont Auvergne.

*Impact Of Forestry and Fuel Wood Production on Economic Growth in Kenya*

Nneji Umeokeke, University of Ibadan; Oyebisi Olajide & Sulaiman Adesina Yusuf, University of Ibadan.

*Commercial Real Estate, Land Use and Its Interactions with Economic Development*

Chen-Wei Tseng\*, Financial and Fiscal Commission, South Africa

*Enhancing Sustainable Economic Growth in Tanzania Through Efficient Management of Natural Resources*

Steward

Lulamye\*, The Mwalimu Nyerere Memorial Academy

**Discussants:** Romeo Parfait Ngaha, University of Yaounde II

Macmillian Handema, University of Lusaka

Abiola Akande. Precious Cornerstone University

Afolabi Balogun, Nigerian Army University

### **Seminar Room 5**

#### **[611] Gender Inequality and Economic Participation**

**Chair: Evelyn Nyadwera, Pennsylvania State University**

**Papers:** *Gender Inequality and Women's Empowerment in Sub-Saharan Africa: How Social Norms Affect Labor Supply?*

Laurent-Fabrice Ambassa\*, University of Douala; Bidiassé Honoré University of Douala

*Gender-based Income Inequality and its Determinant in Informal Sectors in case of Addis Ababa*

Etsehiwot Semreab\*, Federal Technical and Vocational Training Institute, Ethiopia; Arega Shumatei

*Does Oil Affect Female Labour Force Participation? Evidence From Oil Endowed Economy, Nigeria*

Omowumi Idowu\*, Ekiti State University

**Discussants:** Oluwasola Omoju, National Institute of Legislative and Democratic Studies

Oluwaseun Oyebamiji, Ege University

Micheal Adu Okyere, Clean Air Task Force

### Seminar Room 6

#### [1111] Economic Development and Policy Dynamics in Africa

**Chair:** Owusu Adu Sarkodie, University of Ghana

**Papers:** *Mapping Potentially Risky Import Products in Africa*

Socrates Majune\*, University of Nairobi; Patricia Naluwooza, Bank of Uganda; Abdiaziz

Abdikadir Ahmed, University of Cape Town

*The Effect of Manufacturing, Service, And Agriculture Sectors on The Economic Growth of The East African Community*

Ronnie Migwi\*, University of Nairobi; Maryan Hajir; Ryan Mule; Ayan Muktar; Hamisi

Suleiman, University of Nairobi

*Circular Economy Practices for Sustainable Economic Growth in West Africa*

Bukola Odediran\*, ATBU

**Discussants:** Winfred Ayertey, Electricity Company of Ghana Limited

Ikechukwu Asogwa, Micheal Okpara University of Agriculture

Gerald Zihembire Ahabwe, Makerere University

### Seminar Room 7

#### [811] Governance, Corruption, and Policy Implications

**Chair:** Gbadebo Odularu, Howard University

**Papers:** *Digital Public Governance and Corruption: Analysis of a Bidirectional (Two-Way) Relationship in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Kogueda Afia Franky Brice\*, Economics and Management Research Group [GREG], University

of Douala; Etagard Engama Manga, University of Saint Jerome

*Governance And Corruption Reduction: Imperative for Attainment of Sustainable Economic Development in Nigeria's Fourth Republic: Trajectory, Dynamic and Way Forwards*

Akinwande Opayinka\*, Obafemi Awolowo University

*Water For All; All for Water: Assessment of the Effectiveness of Water Governance: A Case Study Of Kenya*

Kent Alwaka Mukoya\* & Mbutu Mwaura, Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company

**Discussants:** Maryam Tijjani Abba, Federal Polytechnic Bauchi

Aishat Umar, Federal University Lokoja

Md Shahadath Hossain, University of Houston

### Seminar Room 8

#### [711] Capital Flows and Economic Sustainability

**Chair:** Wassiuw Abdul Rahaman, University of Ghana

**Papers:** *Illicit Capital Flight and Economic Sustainability in Developing Countries*

Wendja Simo Estelle Sarai\*, University of Yaounde II; Mignamissi Dieudonne & Avom Desir,

University of Yaounde II

*From Spending to Building: Optimizing Diaspora Remittances for Strategic Investment in Sub-Saharan Africa's Economic Development*

Takudzwa Mutize\*, University of the Free State

*Impact Of Macroeconomic Indicators and Regime Change on Debt Stress in Zambia*

Joseph Phiri\*, University of Lusaka; Veronica C. Choolwe & Peter Kondwani Phiri, University of Lusaka

**Discussants:** Chisomo Haswell, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Mohammed Shuaibu, University of Abuja  
M. Samson C Aklobo, ESG UQAM

#### **Main Auditorium**

##### **[211] Industrialization and Environmental Sustainability**

**Chair: Jean-Claude Maswana, Ritsumeikan University**

**Papers:** *Climate Risks Pricing in the Capital Markets of South Africa*

Eric Ayamga\*, Texas Tech University; Eugenia Amporfu, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology; Daniel Sakyi, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology

*Trade And Investment Policies for Climate-Resilient Economies in Africa: A Path to Sustainable Growth*

Kamal Tasiu Abdullahi\*, Istanbul University; Muhammad Abdulaziz Muhammad, Bayero University Kano

*Policy Considerations and Recommendations for a Climate - Environment Friendly Waste-to-Energy Recovery Generation (ReGen) Technology in Nigeria*

Opeyemi Amusan\*, University of Ibadan

**Discussants:** Luke Adebisi, Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute

Evelyn Nyadwera, Pennsylvania State University

Kisito Jean de Dieu Ouedraogo, Nobert Zongo University

❖ **Lunch** (2:00 pm- 3:30 pm)

❖ Breakout Session II –  
(3:30 pm- 5:30 pm)

#### **Seminar Room 1**

##### **[1312] Regional Integration and Welfare Dynamics**

**Chair: Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, NSF**

**Papers:** *Spillover Effects of Burden Defense on Social Welfare from ECOWAS Region*

Oueraogo Tiraogo Rodrigue\*, Université Thomas Sankara

*Investigating The Determinants of Regional Value Chains (Rvcs) in African Countries: A Gravity Model Analysis*

Lukman Oyelami\*, University of Lagos

*Tunisia's African (re)Integration*

Youssef Cherif\*, Columbia University/Leiden University

*Business Cycle Synchronization Between WAEMU Member and Non-Member States: Shock Transmission Channels*

Gnoudentiho Silue\*, Université Jean Lorougnon Guédé

**Discussants:** Joseph Phiri, University of Lusaka,

Cedric Deguenonvo, Université de Pau at des Pays de L'Adour

Mark Kunawotor, University of Professional Studies

Doki Naomi, Benue State University

#### **Seminar Room 2**

##### **[113] Agriculture, Value Addition, and Economic Empowerment**

**Chair: Nsubili Isaga, Mzumbe University**

**Papers:** *Value-Addition Practices of Smallholder Vanilla Farmers in Kyakabadiima and Kyaterekera Sub-Counties, Kagadi District, Uganda*

Kusiima Jackson\* & Kabbiri Ronald, Mountains of the Moon University

*Is Green Finance helping Bolster Agricultural Value Chains in Sub-Saharan Africa?*

Isaac Doku\* & Charles Somuah Frimpong, University of Education, Winneba

*Challenges Faced by Smallholder Vanilla Farmers in Adding Value to Their Vanilla Pods in Kyakabadiima and Kyaterekera Sub-Counties, Kagadi District, Uganda*

Kusiima Jackson\* & Kabbiri Ronald, Mountains of the Moon University  
**Discussants:** Abdullahi Abdi Yudduf, University of Nairobi  
Udi Joshua, Federal University Lokoja  
Washington Onyango, University of Nairobi

### **Seminar Room 3**

#### **[512] Financial Development's Moderating Effects on Growth Dynamics**

**Chair:** Eric Osei-Assibey, University of Ghana

**Papers:** *The Moderating Effect of Financial Development, Legal Systems, And Property Rights on Growth In SSA: Evidence from Methods of Moment Quantile Regression*

Mubarik Salifu\*, University of Cape Coast; James Atta Peprah & William Godfred Cantah  
*Food Insecurity During The COVID-19 Pandemic in Burkina Faso*

Pouirketa Rita Nikiema\* & F. Antoine Dedewanou, Carleton University  
*Financial Development, Tourism, and Shadow Economy in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Solomon Afful\*, University of Cape Coast; Isaac Bentum-Ennin & Eric Amoo Bondzie,  
University of Cape Coast

**Discussants:** Adekunle Balogun, University of Ibadan

Kevin Wanjala, Cooperative University of Kenya

Emmanuel Umoru Haruna, Kobe University

### **Seminar Room 4**

#### **[522] Corporate Financial Performance & Debt Management**

**Chair:** Stephen Emmanuel Armah, Ashesi University

**Papers:** *Debts And Firm Performance of Listed Cement Companies in Nigeria*

John Oladapo\*, Precious Cornerstone University, Ibadan; Sunday Omojola, Bowen  
University; Kolawole Fijabi & Deborah Ebunoluwa Adio, Precious Cornerstone University  
*Household Finance, Debt and Child Work in Ghana: Evidence from the Financial Diaries*

Samuel Amponsah\*, Institute for International Strategy, Tokyo International University  
*Climate Derivatives and Risk Transfer Mechanisms in Investment Decision-Making in Developing Economies*  
Ndirangu Ngunjiri\*

**Discussants:** Assefa A Berhanu, Bahir Dar University

Zuhail Elnour, Humboldt University of Berlin

Mungalula Ashiraf, Mekerere University

### **Seminar Room 5**

#### **[1412] Artificial Intelligence and ICT Implications**

**Chair:** Lauren Johnston, University of Sydney

**Papers:** *Artificial Intelligence and Labour Market Transformation: A Comparative Study of AI Adoption in African Economies*

Brigid Gesami\*, World Bank Africa Centre of Excellence in Coastal Resilience (ACECoR),  
University of Cape Coast

*Can ICT-Enabled Knowledge Acquisition Bridge the Gap in Enhancing the Adoption of Climate-Smart Agriculture in Sub-Saharan Africa?*

Chisomo Haswell\* & Robertson Khataza, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural  
Resources

*A Better Tomorrow: Inclusion Of Artificial Intelligence in The University Education System. A Case Study of Unilus And UNICAF*

Veronica Mtonga\*, University of Lusaka

**Discussants:** Aguima Aime Bernanrd Lompo, CERDI

Emmanuel Ayangemi, University of Abuja

Faruq Quadri, Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research

### Seminar Room 6

#### [712] Economic Complexity and Diversification & Implications

**Chair: Michael Adu Okyere, Clean Air Task Force**

**Papers:** *The Role of Natural Resource Abundance in Explaining the Effects of FDI on Manufacturing in Africa: Is there a Crowding-Out Effect?*

Kirsi Zongo\*, University of Thomas Sankara; Souleymane Diarr, West African Economic and Monetary Union; Sampawendé Jules Tapsoba, International Monetary Fund

*A Comparative Analysis of Economic Diversification and Complexity in African Countries Versus Other Global South Regions: Assessing the Significance of Export Diversification and Economic Complexity*

Christian Nsiah\*, Baldwin Wallace University; Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University; Herman Sahni, Baldwin Wallace University

*Non-Linear Effects of Export Diversification on Income Inequality in Selected African Countries: Does Human Capital Development Matter?*

Camara Kwasi Obeng\* & Michael Tutu Boadu, University of Cape Coast

**Discussants:** Toyin Olowogbon, Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Empowerment

Godfred Anakpo, Nelson Mandela University

Ahmed Hassan Ahmad, Loughborough University

### Seminar Room 7

#### [312] COVID-19 Pandemic and Socioeconomic Impacts & Policy Responses

**Chair: Bernadin Senadza, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *Navigating the Path to AfCFTA Success: Overcoming COVID-19 Impacts and Addressing Persistent Barriers to Inter-African Trade*

Adedeji Ademola\*, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife

*The COVID-19 Pandemic, Food Safety Net Programmes and Household Food Security in Oyo State, Nigeria*

Chuks Idiaye\* & Precious O. Afolabi, University of the Free State, South Africa

*Impact Of Covid 19 Partial Lockdown Policy on Domestic Water Consumption. Evidence From Ghana*

Victor Abugah\*, Energy Commission; Goto Daisaku, Hiroshima University

*Behavior Change Communication Strategies for Use of Water and Sanitation Facilities in Post COVID- 19*

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**Discussants:** Mwila Bowa, Kwame Nkrumah University

Eunice Stella Nyarko, University of Environment and Sustainable Development

Clement Oteng, University of Cape Coast

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### Main Auditorium

#### [1212] Financial Inclusion and Economic Development

**Chair: Joseph Phiri, University of Lusaka**

**Papers:** *The Relative Impacts of The Accessibility and Usage Dimensions of Financial Inclusion on International Trade in Africa: A Panel Model Analysis*

Adesola Ibrinke\* & Bosede Kudaisi, Adekunle Ajasin University

*Digital Trade in Services and Inequality in Africa*

Beatrice Mbinya\* Keffa Simiyu, University of Nairobi

*Exploring the Energy Trilemma Index - Human Development Nexus in Africa: Using Panel ARDL Model*

Smart Edward Amanfo\*, Seiha English Academy; Kwaku Adu & Anthony Amoah, University of Environment and Sustainable Development

**Discussants:** Sessinou Dedehouanou, Laboratoire d' Economie Publique, LEP

Michael Adu Okyere, Clean Air Task Force

Rifkatu Nghargbu, Nasarawa State University

**Plenary Session and Dinner (6:30- 8:00pm)**

**More Women in Research**

- ❖ **Chair** Prof. Evelyn Nyadwera  
*(Pennsylvania State University)*
- ❖ **Speakers** Prof. Georgina Oduro  
*(University of Cape Coast)*  
Dr. Priscilla Twumasi Baffour  
*(University of Ghana)*  
Prof. Sarah Sali  
*(Makerere University)*

Others TBD



### WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

8.30 am – 9:00am : Arrival and Registration of Participants

### 9:00 am – 10.35 am: Plenary Session II

**Moderator: Benard Avle – General Manager, Citi**

- ❖ Welcome Address (9:00 am- 9:10 am) - Prof. Evelyn Nyadwera  
*(Former Board Chair-AFEA)*
- ❖ Introduction of Chairperson (9:10 am-9:15 am) -Dr. Yetunde O.M Oladokun  
*(Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria)*
- ❖ Chairperson’s Opening Remarks (9:15 am-9:30 am) - Dr. Tony Oteng-Gyasi  
*(The Executive Chair, Tropical Cable and Conductor Ltd, Former President, AGI)*
- Introduction of Keynote Speaker (9:30 am - 9:35 am) - Dr. Alhassan Karakara  
*(University of Cape Coast)*
- ❖ Keynote Address (9:35 am - 10:25 am) - Mrs. Elsie Addo Awadzi  
*(Second Deputy Governor, Bank of Ghana)*
- ❖ Discussant Comments/Q&A (10:25 am - 10:55 am) - Dr. Alfred Barimah  
*(Dept of Economics, UG)*
- ❖ Award Presentation (10:55 am- 11:10 am) - Prof. Mavis Dako-Gyeke  
*(University of Ghana)*
- ❖ Closing

### 11.10 am – 11:30 am: Cocoa Break

## Day Two Breakout Session(s) 11:30am – 5:30pm

- ❖ Breakout Session III –  
(11:30am- 1:30pm)

### Seminar Room 1

#### [521] Banking and Market Stability

**Chair: Mohammed Shuaibu, University of Abuja**

**Papers:** *Do Shocks in Money Market Indicators Affect Financial Stability of the Banking Sector in Nigeria?*

Adamu Hassan\*, Sokoto State University Sokoto

*Independence and Central Banking Models: Africa and the Global Overview*

Rodrigue Dossou-Cadja\*, Sapienza University of Rome (Italy) & Paris School of Economics (PSE, France)

*Bayesian estimation of a multi sector dynamic stochastic general equilibrium model*

William Asiedu\*, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, Japan; Prof. Roberto Leon-Gonzalez, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, Japan

**Discussants:** Oluwaremilekun Adebisi, Covenant University

Issa Segda, Norbert Zongo University

Adeyinka Olure- Bank, National University of Nigeria

### Seminar Room 2

#### [521] Market Efficiency and Investment Decisions

**Chair: Abel Fumey, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *An investigation of the validity of the weak-form efficient market hypothesis on stock market performance: Evidence from Lusaka Securities Exchange.*

Amos Mungalu\*, University of Lusaka

*Social Interactions, and Firm Financing in Africa*

Beatrice Mbinya\*, University of Nairobi; Kefa Simiyu, University of Johannesburg; John Nyawa, Mount Kenya University

*Does crowdlending matters? Exploring the Crowdlending Awareness among entrepreneurs in Tanzania*

Nsubili Isaga\*, Mzumbe University

**Discussants:** Richard Mulenga, ZCAS University

Oueraogo Tiraogo Rodrique, Thomas Sankara University

Lukman Oyelami, University of Lagos

### Seminar Room 3

#### [1021] Renewable Energy Policies and Economic Implications

**Chair: Chuks Idiaye, University of Ibadan**

**Papers:** *Energy Access, Renewable Energy Consumption and Environmental Sustainability in SSA Countries*

Afolabi Balogun\*, Nigerian Army University Biu; Auwal Yahaya, Bauchi State University Gadau

*Being Green and Prudent? Economic Implications of Production Subsidy for Renewable Energy in Nigeria*

Oluwasola Omoju\*, National Institute for Legislative and Democratic Studies; Lulit Mitik Beyene, World Bank; Emily Ikhide, National Institute for Legislative and Democratic Studies; Stephen K. Dimnwobi, Nnamdi Azikiwe University; Augustina O. Ehimare, University of Nigeria

*Renewable Energy Adoption and Its Impact on Economic Resilience in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Oluwaseun Oyebamiji\*, Ege University; Muhammad Abdulaziz Muhammad, Bayero University Kano; Kamal Tasiu Abdullahi, Istanbul University; Garba Ibrahim, Kano State College of Education and Preliminary Studies

*Computation Of Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC) in the Power Sector For African Countries and the Implications for Country-Specific Energy Technology Cost*

Michael Adu Okyere\*, Clean Air Task Force; Prudence Dato, Michael Dioha & Brian Mukhaya, Clean Air Task Force; Hélyoth Hessou, University of Sherbrooke; Boris Houenou, Goldbricks Capital and Founder at HDS Strategies

**Discussants:** Youssef Cherif, Columbia University & Leiden University  
Gnoudentiho Silue, Jean Lorougnou Guede University  
Hamsatou Amadou Boubacar, Felix Houphouet Boigny University

#### **Seminar Room 4**

##### **[421] Energy Infrastructure and Technology Adoption**

**Chair: Louis Boakye-Yiadom, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *The Impact of Increase in Block Pricing on Electricity Demand Responsiveness: Evidence from Ghana*  
Winfred Ayertey\*, Electricity Company of Ghana Limited; Ayyoob Sharifi, Hiroshima University

*Energy Transition Influence on the Energy Balance Value Chain Flows from The Primary Energy Supply to the Final Energy Consumption Block in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Ikechukwu Asogwa\*, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture; Madueme Stella Ifeoma, University of Nigeria

*Dynamics of Prepaid Metering Technology Uptake in Water Utility Services in Uganda*

Gerald Zihembire Ahabwe\*, D. W. Batega & C. B. Niwagaba, Makerere University

**Discussants:** Pouirketa Rita Nikiema, Norbert Zongo University

Eva Josiane Onadja, Association des Unions Maraîchères des Niayes (AUMN)

Evans S. Osabuohien, Covenant University

#### **Seminar Room 5**

##### **[1421] Digital Transformation, Technology Adoption and Economic Development**

**Chair: Kwaku Adu, University of Environment and Sustainable Development**

**Papers:** *Accelerating Digitalization and Technological Innovation as Keys to Boosting Economic Growth in Africa*  
Ndirangu Ngunjiri\*, University of Nairobi

*Farmers' Social-Economic Characteristics Influencing Value-Addition to Vanilla Pods Among Smallholder Farmers in Kyakabadiima and Kyaterekera Sub-Counties, Kagadi District, Uganda*

Kusiima Jackson\* & Kabbiri Ronald, Mountains of the Moon University

*Can Digital Infrastructure Improve Trade Performance? Further Evidence from Africa*

Mohammed Shuaibu\*, University of Abuja; Mamello Nchake, Stellenbosch University

**Discussants:** Isaac Doku, University of Education

Ngwengeh Beloke, University of Buea

Abdulfatai Adedeju, Centre for the study of Economies of Africa (CSEA)

#### **Seminar Room 6**

##### **[621] Gender Perspectives in Economic Development**

**Chair: Ruth Nsibirano, Makerere University**

**Papers:** *Gendered Agglomeration and Innovation Dynamics*

M. Samson C. Aklobo\*, ESG UQAM; Bernadin Geraud Comlan Ahodode, Université d'Abomey-Calavi

*Does Digital Financial Inclusion Enhance Women Empowerment? Evidence from Rural Households in Nigeria*

Luke Adebisi\*, Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute (ARMTI) Ilorin, Kwara State; Adebisi Oluwaremilekun, Covenant University

*Gendered Macroeconomic Policy in Sub-Saharan Africa: Physical Infrastructure Development and Women Welfare*

Evelyn Nyadwera\*, Pennsylvania State University

**Discussants:** Mubarik Salifu, University of Cape Coast

Solomon Afful, University of Cape Coast

Kalo Achile Sanou, Université Clermont Auvergne



### Seminar Room 7

#### [721] Foreign Direct Investment and Economic Policies

**Chair:** Ahmad Hassa Ahmad, Loughborough University

**Papers:** *The Impact of Insecurity on Foreign Direct Investment Inflow into the Emerging Oil-Driven Economy - Nigeria*

Udi Joshua\*, Federal University Lokoja; Esther Ufedo Gabriel, Federal University Lokoja  
*Impact Of Debt, Tax and Lending on FDI in Zambia*

Joseph Phiri\*, University of Lusaka; Puruweti Siyakiya, National University of Lesotho; John Musantu, University of Zambia; Aubrey Sakala, Copperbelt University; Chanda Michael Chiseni, Gothenburg University

*Financial Development, Foreign Direct Investment and Economic Growth in Senegal*

Adekunle Balogun\*, University of Ibadan; Oladapo Fapetu, Federal University Oye-Ekiti; Pelumi Abdulmalik Adewumi, Federal University Oye-Ekiti

*What is China's Pioneering zone for in-depth China-Africa economic and trade cooperation - and how should Africa respond?*

Lauren Johnston

**Discussants:** Nneji Umeokeke, University of Ibadan

Chen-Wei Tseng, Financial and Fiscal Commission

Steward Lulamye, The Mwalimu Nyerere Memorial Academy

Mathew Ekundayo Rotimi, Federal University Lokoja

### Seminar Room 8

#### [221] Climate-Smart Agriculture and Agricultural Innovation

**Chair:** Mark Kunawotor, University of Professional Studies

**Papers:** *Smallholder Farmers' Preferences for Climate-Smart Agricultural Innovations in Three Agro-Ecologies of Ethiopia*

Assefa A. Berhanu\*, Bahir Dar University; Zewudy Berhanie Ayele & Dessalegn Chanie Dagneu, Bahir Dar University

*Climate Change Impacts Across Agroecological Zones on Agriculture in Kenya: An Economy-Wide Analysis*

Zuhail Elnour\*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin; Harald Grethe, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin; Mumina Guyo, Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization Kenya; Alphonse Orango, Kenya National Bureau of Statistics; Peter Mwangi, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin; Miriam W. Oiro Omolo, The African Policy Research Institute Kenya; Jan Volkholz, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research

*Climate Change as A Global Crisis: Unveiling Uganda's Strategic Response Through the Lens of Global Politics- Insights from the Karamoja Sub-Region, Northern Uganda*

Mugalula Ashiraf\*, Makerere University

**Discussants:** Brigid Gesami, World Bank Africa Centre for Excellence in Coastal Resilience & University of Cape Coast

Kalo Achille Sanou, Université Clermont Auvergne

Veronica Mtonga, University of Lusaka

### Main Auditorium

#### [1221] Education, Employment, and Social Welfare

**Chair:** Richard Ayisi, University of Ghana

**Papers:** *Modelling Poverty in Sub-Sahara Africa Using Economic, Psychological, Political And Sociological Indicators*

Eunice Stella Nyarko\*, University of Environment and Sustainable Development, Somanya  
*Idiosyncratic Covariates of Unemployment Duration in Ghana: The Joint Effect of Migration and Education*

Clement Oteng\*, University of Cape Coast

*Adequacy of Higher Education Loans Board Allocation on Cost of Participation in Universities Among Undergraduate Students with Disabilities in Kenya*

Judith Chepkorir\*, Mount Kenya University; Bunyasi Beatrice, Kenyatta University;  
Murugami Margaret Wangui

**Discussants:** Laurent- Fabrice Ambassa, University of Douala  
Etsehiwok Semreab, Federal Technical and Vocational Training Institute  
Omowumi Idowu, Ekiti State University

- ❖ **Conference Luncheon** (1:30pm- 3:30pm)
- ❖ Introduction of Guest Speaker - Prof. Edward Nketiah-Amponsah  
(1:45 pm – 1:50 pm) (*Dept of Economics, UG*)
- ❖ Guest Speaker Address - Prof. Yaw Nyarko  
(1:50 pm – 2:35 pm) (*Dept of Economics, NYU*)
- ❖ Breakout Session IV –  
(3:30pm- 5:30pm)

### Seminar Room 1

#### [522] Sustainable Finance and Development Goals

**Chair: Emmanuel Codjoe, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *The Role of Islamic Finance in Promoting/Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in African Economies*

Roméo Parfait Ngaha\*, S University of Yaounde II

*Determinants of Pension Fund Asset Allocation Decisions in Emerging Economies: The Fund Manager's Perspective*

Macmillan Handema\*, University of Lusaka

*The Economic Impact of Increased VAT on the Nigerian Economy*

Joseph Phiri\*, University of Lusaka; Veronica C Choolwe & Peter Kondwani Phiri, University of Lusaka

**Discussants:** Socrates Majune, University of Nairobi

Ronnie Migwi, University of Nairobi

Bukola Odediran, SPEESSECE ATBU

### Seminar Room 2

#### [922] Healthcare Management and Policy Interventions

**Chair: Pouirketa Rita Nikiema, Université Norbert Zongo**

**Papers:** *Physician Behavior: Experimental Evidence from Physician and Patient Perspectives*

Adolf Dzampe\*, Hiroshima University; Daisaku Goto | Hiroshima University

*Mediating Role of Knowledge Sharing Between Transformational Leadership and Innovative Service Delivery Among Nurses in The Federal Medical Centers of North East Nigeria*

Maryam Tijjani Abba\*, Federal Polytechnic Bauchi

*Comparative analysis of government health spending and economic growth in Nigeria and Ghana*

Aisha Umar\* & Mathew Ekundayo Rotimi, Federal University Lokoja

*The Lasting Effects of Early Childhood Interventions: The National Vaccination Commando Program in Burkina Faso*

Md Shahadath Hossain\*, University of Houston; Richard Daramola, State College of Florida;

Harounan Kazianga, Oklahoma State University; Karim Nchare, Vanderbilt University

**Discussants:** Kogueda Afia Franky Brice, University of Douala

Akinwande Opayinka, Obafemi Awolowo University

Kent Alwaka Mukoya, Nairobi City and Sewerage Company

Kirsi Zongo, University of Thomas Sankara

### Seminar Room 3

#### [822] Governance, Institutions, and Economic Development

**Chair: Gloria Afful-Mensah, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *Effects of Institutional Quality on Intra-Regional Export Diversification in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Kisito Jean de Dieu Ouedraogo\*, Norbert Zongo University; Windkouni Haoua Eugenie Maiga, Norbert Zongo University; Idrissa Mohamed Ouedraogo, Aube Nouvelle University

*The Role of Institutional Quality in the Debt-Growth Nexus in Sub-Saharan Africa: Essay With Two Dynamic Panel Approaches*

Cedric Deguenonvo\* & Jamal Bouoiyour, Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour

*Government Size, Institutional Quality and Economic Welfare in Africa*

Mark Kunawotor, University of Professional Studies, Accra

*Institutional Quality, Foreign Capital Flows and Industrial Output in West African*

Doki Naomi\*, Benue State University; Abubakar Sule, Kogi State University; Raymond Liambee Aor, Benue State University

**Discussants:** Muhammad Abdulaziz Muhammad, Bayero University Kano

Takudzwa Mutize, University of Free State

Eric Ayamga, Texas Tech University

Kamal Tasiu Abdullahi\*, Istanbul University

**Seminar Room 4**

**[722] Trade Dynamics and Economic Growth**

**Chair: Mamello Amelia Nchake, Stellenbosch University**

**Papers:** *The Effect of Traditional and Modern Services Exports on Economic Growth in Kenya*

Abdullahi Abdi Yussuf\*, University of Nairobi; Ilhan Abdullahi Mursal, Saleh Yahye Khalif, Nur Ramla Ahmed & Mohamednoor Kusow, University of Nairobi

*Chinese Import Dominance and Structural Transformation in Africa*

Washington Onyango\*, National Institute for Legislative and Democratic Studies; Lulit Mitik Beyene, World Bank; University of Nairobi

*Tourism Growth and Financial Development in Sub-Saharan Africa; A Multidimensional Analysis*

Solomon Afful\*, University of Cape Coast; Isaac Bentum-Ennin & Eric Amoo Bonzie, University of Cape Coast

**Discussants:** Wendja Simo Estelle Sarai, University of Yaounde II

Dr. Opeyemi Amusan, University of Ibadan

Adedeji Ademola, Obafemi Awolowo University

**Seminar Room 5**

**[722] Global Value Chains and Industrialization**

**Chair: Isaac Doku, University of Education**

**Papers:** *The Dynamic Influence of Economic Complexity, Export Quality and Consumption Patterns on the Ecological Footprint in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Kevin Wanjala\*, Cooperative University of Kenya

*Does Financial Inclusion Impact Rural Economy for Sustainable Development: Evidence from Kwara State, Nigeria*

Oluwaremilekun Adebisi\*, Covenant University; Adebisi Luke Oloruntoba, Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute; Olowogbon Samuel Toyin, Covenant University

*Global Value Chain Participation and Sustainable Industrialization in Africa? Evidence From a Cross-Country Analysis*

Emmanuel Umoru Haruna\*, Kobe University; Nneka Esther Osadolor, University of Benin; Joseph Junior Aduba, Ritsumeikan University

**Discussants:** Chuks Idiaye, University of Ibadan

Victor Abugah, Energy Commission

Atuhaire Privah, Makerere University

**Seminar Room 6**

## **[222] Environment Policy and Economic Development**

**Chair: Camara Kwasi Obeng, University of Cape Coast**

**Papers:** *Efficiency in the Public Sector and the Allocation of Climate Finance: Are Donors Reward Public Sector Efficiency? Evidence From Developing Countries*

Aguima Aime Bernard Lompo\*, Cerdi/ Universite Clermont Auvergne

*Environmental Degradation and Inclusive Growth in Africa*

Emmanuel Ayangbemi\*, University of Abuja

*Assessing The Role of Trade on the Nexus Between Environmental Quality and Energy Use: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa*

Faruq Quadri\*, Nigerian Institute of social and Economic Research

**Discussants:** Adesola Ibironke, Adekunle Ajasin University

Chris Alden, London School of Economics

Smart Edward Amanfo, Seiha English Academy

## **Seminar Room 7**

### **[322] COVID-19, Economic Dynamics, & Entrepreneurial Response**

**Chair: Opeyemi Amusan, University of Ibadan**

**Papers:** *Social Policy Response in the Post-Pandemic Era: Evidence to Advance Inclusive and Equitable Agricultural Transformation in Sub-Saharan Africa*

Toyin Olowogbon\*, Federal University Oye-Ekiti

*Entrepreneurial Competencies and COVID-19 Crisis Management of Small Medium and Micro Enterprises in South Africa: Evidence from Enterprise Survey Data*

Godfred Anakpo\*, Nelson Mandela University; Syden Mishi, Nelson Mandela University

*The Impact of The Covid-19 Pandemic on Household Well-Being and The Role of Mobile Money in African Economies: Panel Evidence from Ghana*

Ahmad Hassan Ahmad\*, Loughborough University

*The Impact of Covid-19 On Inflation, Interest Rates and Exchange Rates in Zambia*

Mwila Bowa\*, Kwame Nkrumah University; Sharper Sikota, Mufalali Simasiku Mwiya &

Majory Chikumbe, Kwame Nkrumah University

**Discussants:** Adeyinka Olure- Bank, National University of Nigeria

Oueraogo Tiraogo Rodrigue, Thomas Sankara University

Lukman Oyelami, University of Lagos

Youssef Cherif, Columbia University & Leiden University

## **Main Auditorium**

### **[1222] Economic Development and Poverty Alleviation**

**Chair: Alfred Barimah, University of Ghana**

**Papers:** *The Employment Status of Young Heads of Households and the Level of Poverty Within Their Households in Benin*

Sessinou Dedehouanou\*, Laboratoire d'Economie Publique (LEP), UCAD

*Digital Health and Inequality/inequity in Health Care Access in Health facilities, Home and Workplace in Africa*

Rifkatu Nghargbu\*, Nasarawa State University; Gbadebo Odularu, Bay Atlantic University

*Implications Of Averting Expenditures to Mitigate Unstable Electricity Supply for Energy Poverty in Developing Countries: Evidence from Benin*

Michael Adu Okyere\*, Clean Air Task Force; Prudence Dato, Clean Air Task Force; Sylvain

Hekponhoue, University of Abomey-Calavi; Laté Lawson, Education Sub Saharan Africa;

Brian Mukhaya, Clean Air Task Force

**Discussants:** Gnoudentiho Silue, Jean Lorougrou Guede University

Eria Serwajja, Makerere University

Ruth Nsibirano, Makerere University

Yetunde O. M. Oladokun, Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria

**THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024**

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(*Univeristy of Ghana*)
- ❖ Introduction of Chairperson (9:10 am-9:15 am) -Dr. Ruth Nsibirano  
(*Makerere University*)
- ❖ Chairperson’s Opening Remarks (9:15 am-9:30 am) - Dr. Humphery Ayim-Darke  
(*President of AGI and The Founder, Redmoon Resources Limited*)
- Introduction of Keynote Speaker (9:30 am - 9:35 am) - Dr. Rebecca Yaa Ayifah  
(*University of Ghana*)
- ❖ Keynote Address (9:35 am - 10:25 am) - Prof. Augustin Fosu  
(*University of Ghana*)  
**“Economic Development: Whither Africa?”**
- ❖ Discussant Comments/Q&A (10:25 am - 10:55 am) - Prof. Abena Oduro  
(*Dept of Economics, UG*)
- ❖ Closing

- ❖ Breakout Session V –

**Main Auditorium**

**[631] Journal of African Development Session**

**Chair: Abena Oduro**

**Papers:** *Victims of Their Bodies: Capitalism and Exploitation of Women’s Labour on Floricultural Farms in Uganda*

Eria Serwajja\*, Makerere University; Priscilla Mwendha, Makerere University; Charles Omulo, Nkumba University

*Effects of COVID-19 Lock Down on Small and Micro Entrepreneurs in Kampala: Gender, Experiences and Coping Strategies*

Ruth Nsibirano\*, Makerere University; Consolata Kabonesa, Makerere University

*Norms, Institutions and Female Employment in Africa*

Yetunde O.M Oladokun\*, Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria; Olubunmi O. Alawode, University of Ibadan;

**Discussants:** Olowogbon Samuel Toyin, Covenant University

Isaac Bentum-Ennin, University of Cape Coast

Kusiima Jackson, Mountains of the Moon University

- ❖ **Coffee Break (11:00am- 11:30am)**
- ❖ **Undergraduate Economics Challenge Competition**

Host – Dr. Socrates Majune  
(*AFEA, President-Elect*)

(11:30am- 1:30pm)

- ❖ **Lunch (1:30pm- 3:00pm)**

### 3:00pm- 4:30pm: Closing of International Conference

#### **Moderator: Benard Avle – General Manager, Citi**

- ❖ Welcome Address (3:00pm- 3:15pm) - Prof. William Baah-Boateng  
(*Head, Dept of Economics, UG*)
- ❖ Opening Remarks (3:15pm- 3:30pm) - Prof. Samuel Amponsah  
(*Chair of Conference Organizing Committee*)
- ❖ Closing Remarks (3:30pm- 3:45pm) - Prof. Jean-Claude Maswana  
(*Board Chair- AFEA*)  
(3:45 pm-4:00pm) -Dr. Tony Oteng-Gyasi  
(*The Executive Chair, TCCL, Former President, AGI*)
  
- (4:00pm- 4:15pm) - Prof. Dan Ofori  
(*Provost- College of Humanities*)
- ❖ Formal Closing of Conference (4:15pm- 4:30pm) - Gbadebo Odularu  
(*President- AFEA*)
- ❖ Pass the torch to University of Nairobi – Prof. Christian Nsiah & Prof Ebo Turkson  
(4:30pm- 4:40pm) (*Secretary/Treasurer, AFEA*)/ (*Conference Programme ChairP*)
- ❖ Vote of thanks (4:40pm- 4:45pm) - Dr. Gloria Afful-Mensah  
(*Conference Organizing Committee Member*)

### Break Out Sessions

- ✓ 2 hour sessions
- ✓ 3 Presentations of 35 minutes each (**105 Minutes in all**)
- ✓ Each 35 minute Presentation will have the following time allocation
  - 15 minutes for presentation
  - 10 minutes for discussant
  - 10 minutes for Q&A and Response
- ✓ A **10 minute** coffee break session
- ✓ **5 minutes** at the end of the session for Chairperson’s remarks