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Presents

The 6th Annual Ibadan Sustainable Development Summit (ISDS) 2015

First Announcement



Theme:

**The Post-2015 Sustainable
Development Agenda: Whither Africa?**

Date: 23 – 28 August, 2015 (arrival is 23rd while departure is 28th)

Venue: Opening Ceremony at the Trenchard Hall, and Technical Sessions at the Centre for Sustainable Development, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Preamble

Since the beginning of the 21st century, the world has been pursuing Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) which will be rounded off in 2015. The year 2015 is another critical year as the world transits to a similar development paradigm which seeks to address many of the shortcomings of the MDGs (<http://unsdsn.org>). The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will replace the MDGs after 2015. It is therefore, apposite to consider promises that the SDGs hold for overcoming the various development challenges in Africa. Similarly, Africa cannot afford to be left behind in the on-going global development agenda setting. The ensuing SDGs, therefore, offer another opportunity for Africa to be more proactive in ensuring sustainable development in the continent as well as progressive transformation of economies and societies.

In addition to the specific goals and targets, the post-2015 SDGs aim at integrating six essential elements (dignity, people, prosperity, planet, justice, and partnership), which are germane in the African context. We can then safely ask (howbeit, rhetorically), whither Africa? Is Africa prepared? What lessons are we taking from the MDGs into the SDGs?

Contributions should focus on the following sub-themes, their *cause-effect* in respect of, and how they impact Sustainable Development:

Sub-themes

1. Extreme poverty and hunger
2. Economic growth and decent jobs within planetary boundaries
3. Education and research for life and livelihoods
4. Gender, social inclusion, and human rights
5. Health (access, quality and cost) and wellbeing
6. Agricultural systems and rural development
7. Building inclusive, productive, and resilient cities
8. Climate change
9. Management of natural resources including water, oceans, forests, and energy systems
10. Governance, innovation, creativity and technologies

Target Participants

Development practitioners, policy makers, politicians, students and academics willing to present papers at the summit should submit abstracts of not more than 300 words. Priority will be given to papers that emphasize empirical research with clear implications for policy design and implementation.

Registration

Registration fee is \$200 while student registration is \$100. Participants from Nigeria may pay the local equivalent of the above rates. For further details on registration, please visit www.cesdev.ui.edu.ng.

Submission of Abstracts and Full Papers

Please email your submissions to lanreolaniyan@yahoo.co.uk and copy labopopoola@yahoo.com in a Microsoft Word file and indicate “**ISDS 2015**” in the subject heading. The submission deadline is 30 June, 2015. Notification of acceptance will be sent out from 6 July, 2015.

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