
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AFFAIRS

FIFTH CONGRESS OF AFRICAN ECONOMISTS

THEME: GROWTH, EMPLOYMENT AND INEQUALITIES

Call for Papers

The African Union Commission (AUC), through the Department of Economic Affairs organizes every two years the African Economists Congress (AEC), a continental Economic Policy Dialogue framework which aims to analyze economic issues that are critical to Africa's economic and social transformation in order to design and propose optimal solutions. The Fifth edition is expected to attract prominent African Economists within the continent and its Diaspora to deepen the understanding of the link between Growth, Employment and Inequalities.

To date, four editions of the African Economists Congress were organized. The first was held from 2 to 5 March 2009 in Nairobi under the theme: "Towards the creation of the African single currency". The second was held in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire from 24 to 26 November 2011 under the theme: "How to achieve strong and sustainable economic growth in Africa, in order to reduce unemployment and support the dynamics of integration regional and continental?". The third was held in Dakar, Senegal from 6 to 8 March 2013 under the theme "Industrialization and economic emergence in Africa." And the fourth was held from 16 to 18 November 2015 in Accra, Ghana under the theme: "Industrial Policy and Economic Performance in Africa".

The theme of the fifth edition of the AEC: **"Growth, Employment and Inequalities in Africa"** will offer an opportunity to consider the following sub-themes: (i) The sources of growth; (ii) the distribution of the fruits of growth; (iii) growth and exogenous shocks; (iv) financing growth; (v) the problem of unemployment in Africa; (vi) growth and integration in Africa; (vii) how to reduce unemployment in Africa?; (viii) partnership and growth; (ix) country experiences; (x) regional and world experiences; (xi) coordination experience of monetary and fiscal policies in times of crisis; (xii) monetary and fiscal policy: What options to boost growth and create employment?

African economists, residents of the mainland and those of the Diaspora are invited to submit their articles on the theme and sub-themes with an interest in finding optimal solutions to the economic problems of Africa.

All manuscripts are reviewed and evaluated on content, language and presentation. The Articles must be accompanied by a summary not exceeding 1000 words and must be sent to the Commission at the latest on 31 December 2016. The cost of participation in the Congress of the authors of the Articles chosen will be borne by the African Union Commission.

All African Economists within the continent and the Diaspora, all economists across the world interested to discuss the theme of the Fifth Congress of African Economists, as well as all the development partner institutions are invited to this important scientific event whose date and location will be announced in due course.

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