
THIRD CONGRESS OF AFRICAN ECONOMISTS

Call for Papers

The Commission of the African Union organises every two years the Congress of African Economists in order to identify and analyse the economic problems affecting African countries and to propose an effective and lasting solution. This Congress will bring together the best African Economists within and outside the continent.

The First Congress was organised on the theme: “**Towards the establishment of a Single African Currency**”. The Second Congress focused on “**How to achieve strong and sustainable Economic growth in Africa so as to reduce unemployment and sustain the dynamics of Regional and Continental integration**”. The next Congress, the Third session, will discuss the theme: “**Industrialisation and Economic emergence in Africa**”.

During this Congress, the following sub-themes, among others, will be considered: Can Africa develop without getting industrialised?; Impediments to industrialisation in Africa; Technology Transfer and Industrialisation in Africa; Agro-industry and African Industrialisation; Industrialisation, Growth and Employment; Role of Industry in the emergence of African economies; Economic Emergence: criteria, manifestations and prospects; Economic Emergence and Integration; Economic Emergence: Should it be done at national, regional or continental level?; Partnerships with the rest of the world: assets or hindrances to the industrialization and emergence process?; China-Africa Cooperation: Advantages and Disadvantages for African economies; how can Africa tap into the value added generated from its natural resources?; Which industrial policy is necessary to boost the Industrialisation process in Africa?; Industrialisation in Africa: Role of the State, the private sector and the outside world.

Articles on the main theme and on the sub-themes are sought from African Economists within and outside the continent interested in the resolving economic problems in Africa. **The Articles should not exceed 10000 words, must be accompanied by a summary not exceeding 1000 words and must be sent to the Commission on 15 November 2012 at the latest. The Commission of the African Union will cover the cost of participation of authors of articles chosen for the congress.**

All African Economists within and outside the continent, economists across the world who are interested in African economic issues well as all the development partner institutions are invited to this important Congress which will be held during 2013 at a venue and date to be communicated in due cause.

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