3rd International IAA/IGMASS/CFF/GLOCECOHADIM Symposium on Small and Medium Sized Enterprises, Social Economy and Handicrafts, Space Economy, Climate Change, Vulnerability, ICT and Entrepreneurship; An integrated Solution for Sustainable Development in ACP Countries,

25-26 November, 2016
Belo, Bamenda, Cameroon

Call for Papers

Submission of Proposals for Exhibition and papers for the symposium is now open until 10th November, 2016. “MAKE YOUR CALENDER AND SAVE THE DATE, November, 25 to 26, 2016, Belo, Bamenda, Cameroon.

The International Academy of Astronautics (IAA), France, together with the, International Global Monitoring Aerospace System (IGMASS), Russia, Global Centre for Compliance, Hazards and Disaster Management, (GLOCECOHADIM), Cameroon, Chia Funkuin Foundation (CFF) Cameroon, and Rural Development Centre, (RUDEC) Cameroon, are organizing a symposium on “Small and Medium Sized Enterprises, Social Economy and Handicrafts, Space Economy, Climate Change, Vulnerability, ICT and Entrepreneurship: An integrated Solution for Sustainable Development in African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP) Countries”, to be held on the 25-26 November, 2016 at Belo, Bamenda, Cameroon.

Please direct any questions to Tomukum Chia, Nkuo Chongwain Bede C, Chiamba Joshua Anyeah :glocecohadim@yahoo.com, chonwainkuo@yahoo.com, info@rudec.org to maximize your symposium participation and on site Products / commodity awareness; Additionally, flexible sponsor options are available. For booth /stand reservation, accommodation, visa and local facilitation or sponsorship information ,contact Academician C. Tomukum at +237 683 162 205 or by email: cff.symposium2016@gmail.com

INTRODUCTION

The Symposium is an important platform for experience sharing between countries, private and civil society, Diplomats, commodity companies, schools, health professionals, politicians, space agencies, researchers, high tech ICT firms, enterprises, stakeholders, user’s community, academics, fellows and industry with the participation of delegates beyond the ACP Countries. The World needs more ICTs, more SMEs, more Entrepreneurs, and more people who can build businesses and create more jobs, rather than people who need jobs. ICTs and Entrepreneurs can foster Small and Medium Sized Enterprises to emerge in a sustainable manner. ACP nations have tremendous untapped resources and markets for financial and investment services. They equally has potentials that are under-utilised as a result of limited access to computer, internet, market
information, health, communication, telephones, infrastructure, electricity/electronics, finance, shelter, food, banks, industry, credit information, transportation, management, entrepreneurs, infrastructure, modern technology and in developing tourist destinations. This symposium is in line with the global agenda and ACP Countries policies to achieving the sustainable development goals in 2030. The Government of Cameroon current policies in developing collective entrepreneurship and human resources will enable SMEs, Social Economy and Handicrafts to thrive. It is an opportunity to share practical lessons to foster viable economy, organizations, governments’ institutions and enterprises to grow. Africa, Caribbean and the Pacific countries (ACP) are encouraged to hard work in order to achieve a successful developmental agenda by 2035 as prescribed by H.E. Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon and Head of State and applied by the Prime Minister, Head of Government. Challenges abound but opportunities exist for the growth of SMEs, handicraft industry and social economy through the perspective of ICT and entrepreneurship. This symposium will facilitate public-private dialogue on the development of a joint strategy in People, Public, Private, Partnerships (PPPP), in the ICT-entrepreneurship sectors. The International Academy of Astronautics under the direction of Academician K. Kasturirangan, has developed ten years ago a program to support space emerging countries in most of the continents. The third international symposium is a continuation of the first IAA Regional Symposium held in the University of Ndi Samba, Yaounde, Cameroon from the 22-24 May, 2009 on Space Applications for the Users Community in Disaster Management and Sustainable Development in Africa and had 260 delegates, and it was followed by the first IAA Symposium on Small Satellites Programs for Socio-economic benefits and the Role of IGMASS, held at Pan African Institute for Development West Africa, Buea, Cameroon, from the 6-8 December, 2010, with 435 participants. The symposium is also in support of IAC Congresses, UNISPACE III + 50 conferences on space technologies and applications for sustainable development in support of a wide range of applications which can be integrated into public infrastructure to improve people’s lives as well as supporting the high -level conference on the development of the agri-business held in Abuja in March, 2010. Moreover, the symposium is directed towards the outcomes and implementation of the Annual Forum of the Common Wealth Telecommunications Organization that took place on the 12 to the 14 of September, 2016 at Denarau Island, Nadi, Fiji. The symposium will facilitate public dialogue on developing various businesses, industries, enterprises, health, educational facilities, new and existing markets that will sustain a smooth synergy for a simultaneous development action for the global community. You are invited to come and discover for yourself why these series of IAA international symposiums are consistently described as the premier event for stakeholders and the global community. They are usually more than just another symposium and give you innovative ideas, networking, and partnership with the business community, policy makers, entrepreneurs and important information on professional practices and issues. Plus, you will leave with strategies and tools you will implement in your company; the symposium draws a myriad of exhibitors who are the top manufacturers, suppliers, distributors and stakeholders to the field of SMEs, ICTs and space agencies.

**SYMPOSIUM OBJECTIVES AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES:**

a) To develop greater international, national and regional partnership in SMEs, ICT4D, space exploration, entrepreneurship and in the use of space application for meeting the sustainable development UN 2030 Agenda to fit ACP nations.

b) To promote greater exchange of experiences/materials to revitalise and revamp the economic sectors in ACP nations,

c) To develop partnership opportunities, MoUs, with participating companies and industries, stakeholders, and organizations,

d) To strengthen communities coping mechanism in reducing vulnerability
e) To provide a business coaching programme on products/commodity trade, distribution, electronics, social networks, telecommunication, ICTs and entrepreneurship, livestock and fathering industry,
d) To provide a base for 100 online entrepreneurship training courses on HP LIFE e-learning programmes tailored and customised to needs/request,
f) To build an entrepreneurial foundation for dynamic and competitive private and public sector,
g) To train participants on ICT and entrepreneurship, disasters, vulnerability, and providing an enabling environment for the growth of SMEs,
h) To review the status of ACP countries activities in ICT and Entrepreneurship, and examine the potential of using ICT for education, information sharing, research, marketing and operational applications,
i) To provide local support to institutions, organizations and stakeholders with IT equipments, and technical assistance,
j) To discuss the technical and programmatic issues of developing entrepreneurs and ICT Centres for science, high technology for the systematic transfer of technology to the users community.
k) To initiate partnerships and MoUs with companies and institutions on products/commodity marketing, computer refurbishment and e-waste initiative that include entrepreneurship and digital literacy programs.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

1. The program will include parallel sessions

The symposium will consist of a series of invited technical presentations, including plenary sessions / breakout parallel sessions, one on one session, and side events and tours with sufficient time set aside for presentations from participants on their relevant activities. Key note addresses would be presented by selected government officials, organisers, companies, proprietors, senators, parliamentarians, mayors, institutions, teachers, lecturers, agencies, organisations, embassies, diplomats, professors, professionals, medical practitioners, and academicians. Some sessions maybe supplemented by demonstrations of relevant software and hardware tools with breakthrough technology. The co-sponsors and funding bodies including interested companies, institutions and agencies will be organizing an attractive side event programme for exhibition. The detailed symposium programme will be made available to delegates/participants by mail and through our website.

Members of Program Committee:

**Opening Session**: Invited Ministries: Small and Medium sized Enterprises, Handicrafts and Social Economy, Posts and Telecommunications, Key note addresses, MIDENO, SOWEDA, UNDVA, Cameroon, IAA France, IMASS Russia, SGAC, USA, NEMA, NASRDA, Nigeria Monitoring Systems office, South Africa, etc.

Opening Session: Registration, Welcome addresses and inauguration of the exhibition hall BADU Hall

Coffee Break

Session 1. Key note addresses, Capacity Building, Training on SMEs; ITCs, Entrepreneurship, Curriculum Development; Distant Learning Opportunities and Tele Health

Coordinators: Academician Tomukum Chia/ Mr. Gam Boh/ Mr. Nkuo Chongwain Bede C,
Divisional Officer/ Mayor, Ministry of Territorial Administration and Decentralization

Rapporteurs: Dr. Nuh Daniel Ndziwum/Ms.Gwain Odette/Mr.Waindim Jude
Session 2. Business Development: Opportunities and Challenges for new markets in ACP countries
Coordinators: Hon. Ndim Albert Waingeh/ Dr.Ngoh Nelson/ Dr. Ngam Joseph Eric Tosah
Chairs: Hon.Chia Emmanuel Ngam/Mr.Ngam Joseph/Mr.Atanga Mbah-Mbole, Esq
Rapporteurs: Mr. Nkwain Maurice Ngong/Ngam Ayiena Bryan

Session 3. Astronautical Applications: Space Systems for Monitoring, EO and for the benefit of humanity
Coordinators: Dr. Ngam Joseph Eric Tosah, / Mr.Ndi Eric,Dr. Joseph Tihnyam Mbi
Chairs: Mr. Nkwo Chongwain Bede Collins/ Ajouh Basil/Mr. Wiseman Nkhonza
Rapporteurs: Nsom D.Nkwain/ Mr.Wilson Jam/ Rev.Azeh Daniel
Lunch

Session 4. ICTs for Development: Innovative Uses; Curriculum Development and Entrepreneurship
Coordinators: Prof. Sundengam Lucas Beibam/Mr.Gam Jessy/ Mr. Fulmai James Kanjam
Chairs: Prof. Razoumny Yuri/ Mr. Boma Christopher/ Mr Boh Herbert
Rapporteurs: Mr. Lengha PHILIP Ndifon/Mrs. Kimbi Mary

Session 5. Electronics, Cyber security, Renewable Energy, and Commodity Markets for ACP nations
Coordinators: Mr. Ajayi Baba Jide /Mr.Mbeng Gilbert Loah/Mr. Yuh Michael,
Chairs: Prof. Akenyede Joseph/Mrs.Kimbi Joan Mbu/Mr Garba GTHS
Rapporteurs: Dr. Blasius Agha-ah Chiatoh/Mubang Njua Emmanuel
Open Diner offer by the Regional Secretary, International Academy of Astronautics

Session 6. Coordinators: Banking and Microfinance for SMEs/Entrepreneurship development for the poor
Chairs: Dr. Foy Hebert/ Mr.Eting Effiom /Mr. Fangyong Frederick / Mr. Tomukum Chia
Rapporteurs: Mr. Komfum C.Stephen/Mr. Ferdilis Ngohchia/ Mr. Komtangi Kanisius

Session 7. Modern Information Society, Creation, Problems and Prospects: Role of Electronics, Computers, Space Agencies and telecommunication companies in ACP Nations
Coordinators: Dr. Kinni Fongot/Mr.Nkwo Johnson / Mr. Stephen S. SHUMAS,
Chairs: Dr. Mary Garba/Mr. Mubang Amos/Mr Mbang Maximilan
Rapporteurs: Academician Tomukum CHIA/Ngumi Marius / Mr. Vuyof Ngwo

Session 8. Integrated Space Technology Applications for Climate Change: Space and Society
Coordinator: Dr. Sergey Cherkas/Mr. Bunson Evaritus/ Mr. Chongsi Ayeah Joseph,
Chairs: Prof. Valery Menshikov/Mr. Tosam N.Benard/Mrs.Jane FrancesMufua
Rapporteurs: Mr. Ngoch Isaiah Chah/Mr. Joseph Beisegh

Session 9. Agriculture, Tourism, and Sustainable Development Programs for low incomes earners
Coordinators: Mr. Ngong.H.Vumombi/ Timothy Nchangwukum/Mr. Chiamba Joshua Anyeah
Chairs: Prof. Razoumny Yuri/ Mr. Chongsi Ayeah Joseph / Mr. Terence Chah Bam
Rapporteurs: Mrs. Ajouh Grance Ngam/ Mr. Kanigha Christopher/ Nshing Samuel

Session 10. Utilization of Small Satellites for Sustainable Development and Disaster Mitigation in ACP
Coordinators: Mr. Ngam Joseph/Mr. Ndi Mokom/ Mr Kfutua Honest, Hon. Emmanuel Ngam Chia,
Academician Tomukum Chia/ Mr. Gam Boh/ Timbong Wainchom Martin
Chairs: Divisional Officer, Mayor, Ministry of SMEs/P&T,
Rapporteurs, Mr. Kulwuldim Richard/Mr. Joseph Chongsi Ayeah

DATES, LOCATION AND LANGUAGE
The symposium will be held from the 25 to the 26th November 2016, at Belo, Bamenda, Cameroon, Africa. English / French shall be the working languages of the symposium.
ABSTRACT SUBMISSION
Please use the conference registration form to register for the symposium.

PAPER FORMAT
An Abstract of not more than one page should be submitted to the International Programme Committee not later than 30th October, 2016. The abstract should be related to the field of studies and research or focus to the theme of the symposium. Accepted abstract would be notified on or before 05th, of November, 2016. Full papers not more than 10 pages of A4 size on font 12 should be received by 20th November, 2016. Abstract should be submitted in Microsoft word (12 point Times New Roman), with bolded headings, author/s names, email and affiliation at the top. Abstract or full papers should be forwarded to IPC or LOC: cff.symposium2016@gmail.com

CALL FOR PAPERS
The organizers will issue invitation letters to delegates/participants to register for the symposium. Abstract submission and Registration is now open until October, 30, 2016. The co-organizers, supervisors, agencies, institutions, stakeholders and companies managers/directors, Professional, international organisations, Government departments, Experts will receive official invitation letters to express their interest and confirm their participation. Abstract submission is open now for any related issues of the symposium theme or sub themes including:
- SMEs initiative for sustainable development and manufacturing industries
- Business development Initiative for SMEs
- IGMASS important role in ACP Countries
- ICT4D, Innovative uses of ICT, curriculum development
- Information Economy: ICT as enabler for Rural and Urban enterprise development
- Digital economy, rural development and environmental issues
- Computer refurbishment and e-waste initiative
- Social networks and telecommunication
- Modern information society: Creation, problems and prospects
- The role of electronics Industry, space agency, Network companies in ACP countries.
- Vulnerability, Disaster Risk Reduction and Earth Observation (EO)
- Banking and finance for SME
- Tele-medicine and distant learning opportunities
- Agro-business, and Agro-industry
- Affordable, adequate and adaptive Housing for entrepreneurship
- Innovations in space applications
- IT & Mobile Communications (Mobile Communications, Networks)
- Consumer Electronics (Visual Display, Digital Appliances, Printing Solutions, Health & Medical Equipment)
- Solar Energy as Renewable energy
- Infrastructure and construction
- Disaster Risk Management and Mitigation (Emergency Management and Disaster Medicines)

Registration
The symposium format requires all participants to be registered. Group registration is acceptable for institutions and organizations with two or more delegates. Registration is completed once a registration fee has been received by the official service agent of the organizing committee. For more detailed information and registration modalities, please visit the symposium website at:
Registration fee is open. Filled Registration Form can be sent by email to the Local Organizing Committee to confirm the participation of invited guests/speakers/sponsors/exhibitors.

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The registration fee for the category "Delegate" includes: Free access to all sessions, Free entrance to the exhibition village/hall, Badge and symposium bag, Book of abstracts, Meals according to the program and Special tours

The registration fee for the category of "Local / Student" includes: Free access to all sections, Free entrance to the exhibition, Badge, Meals according to the program

**Note:** a Participant is considered registered from the day that registration fee arrives at the account of the symposium official service agent of the LOC or Paid through Symposium Appeal Response Coupon.

Cancellation of participation and refund

Notification of cancellation should be sent to the symposium official service agent LOC , cff.symposium2016@ gmail.com, ngam.foundation@gmail.com. Cancellations received by November, 5, 2016 will be accepted without penalty. No refund after November 15, 2016 will be available. Note: all refunds are made within 60 days after the symposium and without bank charges and overheads.

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