



International Conference on Africa's
Sustainable Development
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Call for Papers

ICASuD 2025: 5th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AFRICA'S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Theme: *Repositioning Africa's Resource Economy for Self-sufficiency*

Date: October 22 – 23, 2025

Venue: Virtual

The virtual conference link will be sent to all registered virtual participants.

Website: <https://icasudconference.com/>

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1. About ICASuD

The **International Conference on Africa's Sustainable Development** (ICASuD) is an annual interdisciplinary research-based and industry-focused conference that addresses key economic and societal development issues across the African continent and its partnering nations. Since 2021, the International Centre for Policy Research and Industry Linkages (ICEPRIL), a subsidiary of Shaveh Consulting has hosted **ICASuD** as an annual international conference.

The conference serves as a regional knowledge-creating hub that focused on economic growth, poverty alleviation, food scarcity, sustainable livelihood, accelerated growth, and sustainable development among Africa nations.

ICASuD 2025 will bring researchers, practitioners, investors, and policy makers from universities, research institutions, global agencies, and other African and global organizations to identify new ways of supporting Africa's sustainable development and to achieve stronger continental competitiveness in the region and its cross-continental partnerships.

ICEPRIL will be in partnership with Anchor University Lagos (AUL) to host ICASuD 2025. The partnership will offer ICASuD 2025 an extended reach and awareness across our mutual audience.

2. ICASuD 2025 Main Theme and Objectives

The main theme for ICASuD 2025 is ***"Repositioning Africa's Resource Economy for Self-sufficiency"***.

Africa accounts for the third-largest population of the world by regional cluster, behind China and India. Around 20 percent of the earth's land mass (approximately combining China, India, most parts of Europe, and the USA) is accounted for by Africa. And up to 30 percent of the world's natural resources reside in Africa. With these vastness in human, natural, and land mass resources, Africa's resource potentials place the region as the rising strategic centre of the world. Yet, there remains an overwhelming fact that poverty is ravishing the African continent and its people.

We may understand that the challenges posed on Africa's potentials to become a front-line global economy are both internal and external to the region. Yet, our main focus at ICASuD 2024 will be to reiterate the critical sources of the limitations posed on Africa at these very sensitive times and to clearly suggest the pathways to harnessing the regional potentials

(human, natural, and material resources potentials) and transforming them for the sustainable development of the region.

Therefore, ICASuD's 5th annual international conference calls for academic research and expert reviews and contributions on the roles of businesses, organizations, and in harnessing Africa's potentials for sustainable development amidst the present global turbulence.

2.1. Sub-themes: The Conference sub-themes will address the following topics, namely:

- Africa's Resource Economy
- Debt Resolution
- Effects of the Political Economy
- Policy Design Around Sustainability
- Sustainable and Inclusive Economic Recovery
- The Global Value Chain and International Diplomacy
- Global Trade
- The Entrepreneurial Economy and the Informal Market
- Monetary and Fiscal Policies for Growth
- Rapid Urbanization Growth
- Transparent and Accountable Governance
- Climate Change and Vulnerability
- Influence of Emerging Technologies

We welcome submissions that address these sub-themes and topics. Submissions that are relevant to the sustainable development of Africa's management and institutions are also welcome.

3. Target Participants of ICASuD 2025

Participation at the ICASuD 2025 Conference is sought from across Africa and globally, in the following categories:

- Researchers
- Academicians
- Industry Professionals
- Policy makers
- Entrepreneurs
- Investors
- Students
- Start-ups

4. Schedule of ICASuD 2025

Date: October 22 – 23, 2025

Time: 9.00am – 5.00pm daily

Venue: ICASuD 2025 will be hosted as a virtual conference. The **virtual remote conference link** will be sent to all registered participants in due course.

5. Types of Submissions

Competitive Research Papers: Reports of original conceptual or empirical research that has been conducted. These papers should address policy recommendations and demonstrate a clear contribution to the scientific body of knowledge. Competitive research papers should also address implications for theory and practice.

Teaching Cases: Case studies of organizations, countries, and contexts that relate to one or more of the sub-themes showcasing real life situations that can be used for teaching and training.

Doctoral/(Graduate) Student Consortium: These are research idea proposals from students. The proposals should specify research questions and the envisaged contribution to knowledge.

Workshops: Workshops are interactive panel sessions for discussing particular topics. Proposals for interactive panel sessions are welcome from potential delegates. Workshop proposals should clearly state the topic, present clear justifications for the topic, highlight learning objectives for participants, and provide names of potential panel discussants. Please note that workshops will be planned and implemented by delegates who propose them.

6. Submission Guidelines

The Organizing Committee of ICASuD 2025 wish to encourage paper presentations from both industry practitioners and researchers in academia and research-based institutions. Interested authors may submit their abstracts and full papers online to <https://forms.gle/sWpNZGYjDMkGkdcy6>. Only abstracts and full papers addressing the main theme or at least a sub-theme of the conference will be considered for presentation. We strongly recommend that papers should address policy recommendations and demonstrate a clear contribution to scientific body of knowledge. Therefore, Sections that address implications for theory and practice are also recommended in all full paper submissions.

Abstracts of not more than 300 words should be submitted online to <https://forms.gle/sWpNZGYjDMkGkdcy6>. Each abstract should include at least four (4) keywords.

- Font type: Times New Roman, 12 point size
- Line Spacing: 1.5
- Full papers should be a maximum of 15 pages including references, appendices, figures, tables etc.
- Author(s) Name(s) and Affiliation(s): Centre alignment, 12 point size, superscripts for different affiliation (1, 2...)
- Sub headings: introduction, literature review, methods, analysis of data, discussion of findings and conclusion
- A brief bio-data of the author(s) should be provided.

7. Important Dates

Final Date to submit all Abstracts: **June 21, 2025**

Notification of Acceptance for all Abstract Submissions: **Rolling**

Deadline for full Paper Submission: **August 23, 2025**

Notification of Acceptance of Full Papers: **Rolling**
Presenting Author Registration Deadline: **October 12, 2025**

Each paper will undergo a double-blind peer review process. Acceptance will be based on quality, relevance, and originality.

Note: Papers (abstracts and full papers) must be saved in MS Word format and submitted online to <https://forms.gle/sWpNZGYjDMkGkdcy6>. All papers must follow APA 7th edition.

8. Publication

All accepted papers will be published online in the Abstracts & Conference Proceedings e-publication with an ISBN number and DOI. The ICASuD 2025 Conference Proceedings will be submitted for evaluation and possible inclusion in Web of Science (Conference Proceedings and Citation Index). Authors of the conference papers (evaluated on originality of research, quality of analysis and contribution to knowledge) will be contacted after the conference to submit their revised papers for inclusion in a special issue of Journals and book project that are indexed in highly rated databases like **SCOPUS** and **Web of Science (WoS)** and others.

9. Conference Fees and Registration

Category of Participant		Early Bird (Ends 6 th September, 2025)	Standard Registration (Begins 7 th September, 2025)
Student Participants	Nigerians	₦7,000 only per participant	₦10,000 only per participant
	International	\$15 only per participant	\$20 only per participant
Non-Student Participants	Nigerians	₦12,000 only per participant	₦15,000 only per participant
	International	\$25 only per participant	\$35 only per participant

The ICASuD 2025 fee covers electronic copies of conference materials, a certificate of presentation (for paper presenting participants), and a certificate of participation.

Register here (we propose attaching a **flutterwave** payment system link here so that all transactions are done online and monitored real-time as opposed to the manual system we were running before)

10. Expected Outcomes of the Conference

The output of the conference will include:

- A conference report that will serve as communique from the conference
- A book of abstracts and conference proceedings respectively that will include all submissions made to ICASuD 2025 and peer reviewed.
- Call to authors of selected papers to update their manuscripts and resubmit for

publishing in partnering journals, including the home journals.

- Policy briefs.

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