



## Joint International Conference of CEDIMES Institute, Africa Business and Entrepreneurship Research Society and IPAGEF

### Towards a global socio-economic transformation in Developing Countries

August 30 - September 1st, 2019

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK - PLATTSBURGH

**CALL FOR PAPERS, WORKSHOPS AND PANEL SESSIONS**

Conference host:

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## **BACKGROUND AND THEMES**

**The main theme of the conference is:**

### **Towards a global socio-economic transformation in Developing Countries**

The global economy has significantly changed for the last few decades, driving many Developing Countries to engage an important socio-economic transformation for the purpose of alleviating poverty. In Africa, in particular, various socio-economic initiatives have been taken including revamping regional economic integrations, promoting entrepreneurship and SMEs creation, designing business incentive policies to attract foreign direct investments or promoting inclusive finance or diaspora socio-economic involvement. These initiatives that can also be seen in some poor countries in Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean have resulted in a promising growth. However, many Developing Countries are still struggling to start a convincing socio-economic transformation and are facing various challenges. In Africa where the continuous growth of the population has been perceived as a concern by many development experts, some of the most important challenges are: a mindset transformation, a stronger effort of capacity building in various areas and a courageous progress in regional economic integrations. The goal of this conference is to address these challenges and generate some ideas that may help African countries, but also other Developing Countries to commit to a sustainable socio-economic transformation that will ultimately alleviate poverty.

The submissions may focus on the topics including, but not limited to the following:

- Economic integration in Developing Countries
- Capacity building in entrepreneurship and SMEs development in Developing Countries
- Diaspora socio-economic involvement in Developing Countries
- Foreign Direct Investments in Developing Countries
- Financial inclusion and growth in development countries
- Immigrants and diaspora entrepreneurship
- Internationalization of SMEs of Developing Countries
- SMEs governance in Developing Countries
- Government policies and SMEs internationalization
- Women entrepreneurs in Developing Countries
- Social entrepreneurship in Developing Countries
- Venture capital funds in Developing Countries
- Institutional reforms in developing Countries
- Financial and economic governance issues
- Intercultural communication in business

## IMPORTANT DATES AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

### June 15, 2019

Deadline for submission of proposals for academic papers, professional workshop sessions, and panel discussions, in French or English, to the following address:

E-mail: Cedimesusaconference@plattsburgh.edu

Each submission should be in two pages, Times New Roman 12pt in Microsoft Word format: the first page will include a title, names, status and contact details of author(s); the second page will present contents and 5 keywords, according to the following categories:

SUBMISSION TYPE	FORMAT	REQUIREMENTS
Academic Papers	Abstract or Full paper	Abstracts should clearly state the purpose, method and expected findings of study and be not more than 500 words in length. Full papers: 20 pages maximum
Professional workshop sessions	Summary	Summaries should describe the format and content of the workshop and be not more than 500 words in length.
Panels	Summary	Summaries (not more than 500 words) should describe the theme and its interests; identify the panel speakers and their sub-topic areas.

All submissions will be peer-reviewed, based on their relevance and quality. The Scientific Committee's decision will be communicated to authors, two weeks after receipt of the proposal.

### June 30, 2019

Deadline for early bird registration and payment.

## REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

[Please visit the Website \(Forthcoming\)](#)

REGISTRATION FEES*	
Early bird (by June 30, 2019)	Regular (after June 30, 2019)
Student: 100 \$ Others: 200 \$	Student: 150 \$ Others: 250 \$

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## **BEST PAPERS AWARDS**

Selected papers will be awarded as the best papers of the conference

## **PUBLICATION OUTLET**

Accepted papers or abstracts will be published in the electronic conference proceedings.

Selected papers will be considered for publication in the following journals that are indexed in well known databases:

*Journal of African Business: Special Issue*

*Transnational Corporations Review*

*International Management*

Or in an:

*Edited Book.*

## **CONFERENCE LANGUAGES**

English and French

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