



27th-29th October, 2021

THE 2ND EAC SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION CONFERENCE
27TH – 29TH OCTOBER 2021

Call for Exhibitions

Important Dates

30th September 2021	<i>Deadline for online submission of confirmation for exhibition</i>
5th October 2021	<i>Feedback on acceptance to participate in exhibition</i>

Introduction

The East African Science and Technology Commission (EASTECO) and the Inter-University Council for East Africa (IUCEA) under the auspices of the EAC wishes to announce the call for exhibitions during the *Second East African Science, Technology and Innovation Conference and Exhibition*, whose objective is to provide a platform for information sharing and networking among scientists, technologists, innovators and industrialists from a wide range of sectors, including the academia, industry, the public and the private sectors. The theme of the Conference is *The Role of Science, Technology and Innovation in EAC Regional Integration and Socio-Economic Development in the context of Covid-19 Pandemic*. The Conference will be held both virtually and physically on 27th – 29th October 2021. The Physical Conference will be held in Bujumbura, Burundi.

The exhibitions shall be held either physically at the Physical Venue of the conference in Bujumbura or virtually, but will be provided with technical support to exhibit the research and development works.

Exhibitors shall submit expression of interest to exhibit, by clearly indicating the preferred mode of exhibition between physical and virtual.

Eligibility and Quality Criteria for exhibition

Exhibitions shall be characterized with information about research and development covering Science, technology and innovation and within themes and sub-themes listed below.

Overall, relevance to the themes of conference, contribution to STI aspects of the themes and responsiveness to the regional challenges in STI, including COVID-19 where applicable, will be observed.

Physical Exhibitions

Physical Exhibitions will be limited in numbers because of COVID-19 SOPs, whereby for exhibitors whose Expression of Interest will be selected, they will be offered a 2m*2m exhibition booth. The travel costs, accommodation and logistics to and from the venue will be catered for by the exhibitors.

The exhibitors that are eligible and meet criteria for exhibition but not selected to exhibit physically will have opportunity to exhibit virtually.

Virtual Exhibitions

Virtual exhibitions will be enabled for both physical exhibitors and Virtual Exhibitors whose expressions of interest are eligible and meet the Quality Criteria for exhibition.

Themes

(a) Agriculture, Food Security and Rural Development

- (i) Livestock
- (ii) Crops
- (iii) Fisheries and Aquaculture
- (iv) Agroforestry
- (v) Apiculture
- (vi) Agribusiness

(b) Health and wellbeing

- (i) Nutrition
- (ii) Preventive medicine and Public health
- (iii) Medicine
- (iv) Biomedical science
- (v) Pharmacy
- (vi) Traditional and alternative medicine

(c) Natural Resources and Environment

- (i) Land and water
- (ii) Integrated soil and fertility management
- (iii) Climate change and disaster risk management
- (iv) Forestry
- (v) Mining and geology

(vi) Biodiversity and conservation

(d) Infrastructure

- (i) Transportation and logistics
- (ii) Built environment
- (iii) Engineering

(e) Energy and Industrial Development

- (i) Renewable and non-renewable energy
- (ii) Manufacturing

(f) Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

- (i) Software and application engineering
- (ii) E-governance
- (iii) Internet of things (IoT)
- (iv) Data Science/ Big Data
- (v) Artificial Intelligence

(g) STEM

- (i) Material science
- (ii) Space sciences
- (iii) Mathematics and applications
- (iv) Physical, chemical and biological sciences

Submission

Expression of Interest to participate in exhibition shall be done electronically to the conference secretariat, through the EASTECO conference email: conference@easteco.org and copied to: exsec@iucea.org, not later than **30th September 2021**.