



Institute for Entrepreneurship and Development Studies (IFEDS)

Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria

IFEDS 2024 Annual International Conference

Background

Entrepreneurship is vital for economic growth and development in every region of the globe, especially Africa. Entrepreneurs create new businesses, drive and shape innovation, speed up structural changes, introduce new competition, and contribute to job creation. Africa's entrepreneurial landscape is evolving and becoming more conducive for businesses.

Recognizing the transformative power of entrepreneurship education and practice, coupled with the immense benefits of intra-African trade and unlimited opportunities in the marine and blue economy, this conference aims to bring together a wide array of stakeholders, including educators, policymakers, entrepreneurs, researchers, and industry experts. The goal is to deliberate, collaborate, and strategize ways to advance entrepreneurship education and practice as a catalyst for sustainable economic growth, social progress, and innovation across Africa.

Theme: **ADVANCING ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION AND PRACTICE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA.**

We welcome empirical studies, policy papers, case studies and literature reviews from scholars, practitioners, entrepreneurs, industrialists, policymakers, individuals and groups in the following **Sub-themes/areas**:

- Entrepreneurship and Intra-African Trade
- Entrepreneurship Policy Frameworks and Initiatives
- Entrepreneurship Opportunities in the Marine and Blue Economy
- Digital Economy, Technology, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship
- Entrepreneurship Curriculum Development and Innovative Teaching Methods
- Teens, Youth and Women Entrepreneurship
- Circular Economy and Entrepreneurship
- Partnerships and Collaborations Framework in Entrepreneurship
- Entrepreneurial Ecosystems and Support Mechanisms
- Entrepreneurship Education Research and Impact Assessment
- Case Studies and Best Practices in Entrepreneurship Activities

Important Dates:

Deadline for submission of Abstracts: 15th August, 2024

Communication of acceptance: 31st August, 2024

Submission of Full Paper & PowerPoint: 30th September, 2024

Email for submission: ifedsconference2024@oauife.edu.ng

Registration Fee:

- Onsite and Online Participant:**
- Corporate organizations: Maximum of 5 participants:**
(Discounted rate = ₦150,000)

		Students	Scholars	Others
Early bird	Local	₦20,000	₦30,000	₦35,000
	International	\$50	\$100	\$100
Registration on arrival	Local	₦30,000	₦40,000	₦50,000
	International	\$50	\$120	\$120

Prospective Journal Outlets for accepted papers

- Scopus Indexed Journal
- IFEDS Journal

Account Details: Zenith Bank
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Conference Date: Wed. **6th** - Fri. **8th, November, 2024**
Mode of Participation: Hybrid (Onsite and Online)

Venue: **Main Conference Hall, ACE-OAK Park, OAU, Ile-Ife, Nigeria.**

Chief Host: Prof. Adebayo Simeon Bamire, *Vice Chancellor*

Host: Prof. Olubola Babalola, *DVC (ACAD)*

Director, IFEDS: Prof. Olalekan Yinusa

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