

# AFRICAN ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION

# Virtual PhD and Emerging Scholars Colloquium 1 and 2 September 2020 CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

# PREAMBLE

The African Accounting and Finance Association (AAFA), established in 2011, is Africa's continent-wide accounting and finance academic association (<u>http://aafassociation.com/</u>). One of the distinguishing features of AAFA is to embrace all African regions including Anglophone and Francophone countries. The quality and reputation of AAFA's activities are reflected in its wide membership across Africa and the close involvement of leading African Diaspora academics from universities across the globe.

In lieu of its annual conference, the AAFA will be hosting a virtual PhD and early career researchers' colloquium for accounting and finance participants. The colloquium will provide doctoral students and participants at early stages of their research/career with an opportunity to present their ongoing work to a panel of experts and established scholars to receive helpful feedback. This event will also help participants build scholarly networks with peers and experts in their field. The colloquium will feature parallel sessions in English and French.

# **TOPICS OF INTEREST**

The colloquium welcomes submission in the area(s) of accounting and finance including, but not limited to:

- Financial Accounting and Reporting
- Auditing and Internal Audit
- Financial Management
- Management Accounting and Control
- Taxation
- Accounting Information Systems
- Integrated Reporting
- International Financial Reporting Standards
- Accounting History and Developments
- Public Sector Accounting and Finance
- Accounting Education and Training
- Professional Ethics and Standards
- Non-profit Accounting
- Sustainability Accounting and/or Reporting

- Social and Environmental Accounting
- Corporate Finance
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- IFRS for Small and Medium Entities (SMEs)
- International Finance and Financial Markets
- SME Accounting and Finance
- Regulation of Accounting and Financial Services
- Accountability and Governance
- International Public Sector Accounting Standards
- Accounting and Finance in Oil and Gas

#### WHO SHOULD PRESENT AT THIS EVENT?

The AAFA PhD & Emerging Scholars Colloquium is open to all doctoral accounting and finance students enrolled in an African university, as well as early career researchers based in African institutions. Doctoral students or early career colleagues pursuing their research/studies outside of the continent are welcome to make submissions if their intended accounting or finance topic is of relevance to the African setting. Doctoral scholars can be at an early or advanced stage of their studies. We will endeavour to allocate each submission to an established scholar who will provide comments/feedback. Early career academics are defined as full time university-employed staff with academic work experience of 5 years or less as of 30 June 2020.

#### WHAT TO SUBMIT?

Interested doctoral students are required to submit an **abstract** of their ongoing research or a full paper (depending on the stage of their research). The abstract can include the following aspects: research purpose and area; research questions; brief review of the literature; hypotheses (if relevant); intended contribution to the relevant literature/theory; research method/data). The abstract must also provide full contact details of the doctoral student (including institutional affiliation). English or French submissions are welcome.

Early career researchers are encouraged to submit **a full paper**. The first page of the submission should provide full contact details of the corresponding/presenting author and other co-authors.

#### Only one presentation per nominated corresponding/presenting author will be allowed.

Submissions for English sessions should be emailed to <u>conference@aafassociation.com</u> and copied <u>yinka.moses@vuw.ac.nz.</u> Submissions for French sessions should be emailed to <u>conference@aafassociation.com</u> and copied to <u>plassou@uoguelph.ca</u>.

Submission deadline - 31 July 2020, 18:00 GMT.

# PRESENTATION FORMAT AND PLATFORM

Each presenter will be allotted 15-20 minutes for their presentation, followed by 15-10 minutes of discussion time, including questions/answers. The virtual event will be run on Zoom. Presenters/attendees need to ensure they can access the platform and be conversant with the functionalities beforehand. The event will be password-protected.

### REGISTRATION

Registration for the colloquium is **FREE.** However, intending presenters must confirm their interest to attend the colloquium no later than **15 August 2020**. Attendees will need to register in advance for the different blocks. Due to attendance limits, registration will be on first come first serve basis.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

i.	Submission of abstract/full paper:	31 July 2020
ii.	Notification of acceptance:	10 August 2020
iii.	Deadline for registration:	15 August 2020
iv.	Full programme made public	22 August 2020
v.	Final date for registration by attendees	29 August 2020

PROPOSED PROGRAMME					
Tuesday 1 September 2020		Wednesday, 2 September 2020			
(Block 1)		(Block 3)			
09:00 GMT	Welcome and introduction	09:00 GMT	Welcome & special issue calls:		
09:15 GMT	First Plenary: Prof. Robert Faff		presentation by guest editors		
10:00 GMT	Breakout Sessions 1	09:30 GMT	AAFA Journal Presentation		
		10:00 GMT	Breakout Sessions 3		
12:00 GMT	virtual lunch break and	12:00 GMT	virtual lunch break and		
	networking		networking		
(Block 2)		(Block 4)			
13:00 GMT	Second Plenary Session	13:00 GMT	Breakout Sessions 4		
14:00 GMT	Breakout Sessions 2	15:00 GMT	Third Plenary: Prof. Theresa Hammond		
16:00 GMT	virtual coffee break and	16:00 GMT	Closing, feedback, and discussion		
	networking	17:00 GMT	Event Close		

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