

CALL FOR PAPERS: 1ST ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL INTERDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCE

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Nigeria

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Theme:

**Nation Building and Sustainable Development in Nigeria: The Interplay of Political,
Socioeconomic, and Environmental Forces**

Venue:

The Academic Complex, Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State, Nigeria

The Institute for Sustainable Development in collaboration with Hezekiah University specially invites scholars, professionals, organisations, and students working on all aspects of Nigerian studies to

attend its 1st annual international interdisciplinary conference to be held on May 15-17, 2019 at the Academic Complex, Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State, Nigeria. To deliberate on the timely theme, **Nation Building and Sustainable Development in Nigeria: The Interplay of Political, Socioeconomic, and Environmental Forces**, the organisers welcome papers from all perspectives.

The changing but consequential impact of domestic and international forces on the sustainable development of emerging countries such as Nigeria has continued to receive scholarly attention. In recent years, domestic and global forces such as globalization, immigration, emigration, terrorism, election crisis, materialism, Pentecostal revivalism, brain drain, environmental and climatic changes, poverty, economic uncertainties, and sociopolitical unrests, etc., have made it compelling to reexamine and reevaluate Nigeria's nation building project. The organisers encourage local and international specialists, intellectuals, and students working from Interdisciplinary standpoints to join the university in a dialogue that explores the influence of the rapidly changing internal and external environment on the Nigerian world. Through cross-disciplinary engagement, participants will flesh out linkages between the pasts, presents, and possible futures of Nigeria and the need to explore and adopt sustainable development goals towards Nigeria's all round stability and development.

Panels and individual proposals will engage with a variety of topics including but not limited to the following Sub-Themes:

SUB-THEMES

1. Management of Natural Resources and Ecosystem Services in Nigeria
2. Youth Unrest, Violence, and Conflict Resolution
3. Education and National Development
4. Migration, Ethnicity, Xenophobia, and Deportation
5. Family, Women Empowerment, and Nation Building
6. Principles and Practices of Human Rights
7. Professional Associations and Nation Building
8. Infrastructure and Community/Social Development
9. Poverty Eradication Policies and Nation Building
10. Land Use Act and Housing
11. Communication and Social Media in the Digital Age
12. The Ramifications of Drug Abuse, Drug and Human Trafficking
13. Nigerian Writers: Literature, Arts and Cultural Values
14. Access to Health Care Services, Western and Traditional Medicine
15. Economic Diversification and Technological Innovation
16. Transition of Power, Political Stability, and Social Justice
17. Farming Systems in Nigeria, Food Security, and Consumer Behaviour
18. Environmental and Climatic Changes and National Politics and Policies

19. Kidnapping, Morality and Decadence
20. Nigerians in Diaspora, Connections, and Remittances

GUIDELINES:

Submit an abstract of not more than 250 words with your paper/poster/panel title, name, current position and institutional affiliation, and a short bio data to conference@hezekiah.edu.ng. Ensure that your abstract contains the scope of your paper, the research methodology, possible sources, and tentative thesis or hypothesis.

The conference registration fee is **12,000 naira** for African/Nigerian-based participants, **100 US dollars** for participants outside Africa and **5,000 naira** for students. Note that registration fee covers meals and conference materials. Limited grants will be made available to selected undergraduate and postgraduate papers.

DEADLINE:

All panel and individual proposals must be submitted on or before **February 28, 2019**.

NOTIFICATION:

Notifications of successful proposals will be sent out on or before **April 30, 2019**. Selected papers will be considered for publication and inclusion in a special issue of the Journal of Retracing Africa, published by Eastern Kentucky University, USA and the Journal for Sustainable Development domiciled in Hezekiah University.

For more inquiries about the conference, please contact the conference conveners:

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