

# CHINHOYI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY



## **ENHANCING AND PROMOTING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

### **INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE 2015 - CALL FOR PAPERS**

Chinhoyi University of Technology invites all interested parties in Zimbabwe, SADC, Africa and beyond to attend and to read academic and research papers at a conference to be held at the University from 20 – 21 July 2015.

The Conference will be the second to be hosted by the University following the first one that was held as part of celebrations of the University's tenth anniversary in January 2013. Accompanying events will include exhibitions and demonstrations by various academic departments in the University and other stakeholders.

#### **Conference Theme**

'Research, Technology and Innovation for Development in Africa'. This theme is considered in line with the Zimbabwe Agenda for Sustainable Socio-Economic Transformation (Zim Asset), which has its vision "Towards an Empowered Society and a Growing Economy".

#### **Conference Objectives**

The objectives of the conference are to:

- (a) Examine the research outputs of Africa with special focus on science, technology and innovation
- (b) Provide intellectual space for cross fertilisation of research ideas in order to stimulate collaborative research amongst international scholars
- (c) Promote development of scholarship amongst the next generation of African researchers

#### **Conference Sub-themes**

- Communication and Information technology
- Materials Engineering and Manufacturing technology
- Nanotechnology
- Value addition to raw materials
- Renewable and sustainable Energy
- Water technology and climate change
- Food security and food quality
- Biotechnology
- Natural Resources Conservation
- Entrepreneurship and community development
- Environmental science and technology
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Art and Design

#### **Submission of Abstracts**

Presentations will be in two formats: oral and posters. Please email your electronic abstract of not more than 200 words in MS Word format, font Times New Roman size 12, single line spacing and clearly state the names and affiliation of all authors by 30 June 2014 to [researchmob@cut.ac.zw](mailto:researchmob@cut.ac.zw) or [mubayacp@yahoo.com](mailto:mubayacp@yahoo.com)

#### **Submission of Full Papers**

Accepted abstracts will be developed into full papers and submitted by 30 October 2014. Submit to

[researchmob@cut.ac.zw](mailto:researchmob@cut.ac.zw) or [mubayacp@yahoo.com](mailto:mubayacp@yahoo.com). Full papers should be between 4 000 and 6 000 words. Details of guidelines on paper writing will be sent to authors whose abstracts would have been accepted.

#### **Registration Fees**

Registration fee of US\$250 per delegate is payable by 15 November 2014, with an early bird rate of US\$200 payable by 31 August 2014. A student registration rate of US\$100 and early bird registration rate of US\$80 will apply. Registration fee covers conference materials, lunches, refreshments and admittance to the conference cocktail. Registration is done online at [www.cut.ac.zw](http://www.cut.ac.zw).

#### **Transport and Accommodation**

Delegates are responsible for making their own arrangements for local transport, including flights. The organisers will assist with logistical support for airport transfers. Accommodation will be available on campus and in hotels in and around Chinhoyi. Details of accommodation arrangements will be sent to delegates.

#### **Conference Venue**

The conference venue will be the University Hotel located on campus.

#### **Conference Products**

Reviewed Papers will be published in a book as Conference Proceedings and in the Zimbabwe Journal of Technological Sciences.

#### **Exhibitions**

Exhibitions and demonstrations are invited from individuals, companies and organisations involved in knowledge development, dissemination, innovation and commercialisation. An exhibition fee of US\$300 will apply.

#### **Conference Organiser**

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#### **Important Dates**

30 June 2014: Submission of abstracts  
31 July 2014: Notification on accepted abstracts  
31 October 2014: Submission of full papers

**Conference Language:** English