Workshop ID: A6

Title:

African Workshop on Information Systems (3<sup>rd</sup> Paper Development Workshop)

#### 1) Short Description:

We invite scholars (Ph.D. Students and Academics) from Africa or interested in African scholarship to this 3<sup>rd</sup> paper development workshop. The workshop is targeted at developing IS scholarships on the continent. The idea is to build a vibrant IS community that stimulates and encourages scholars on the continent to have a voice and contribute to the advancement of IS scholarship within Africa and internationally. Therefore, we encourage IS scholars residing in Africa or the diaspora to submit their own papers or papers developed in collaboration with other scholars across the globe. The workshop is a platform for IS scholars in the continent, in diaspora or interested in the African context to come with their work and get feedback from highly established scholars and journal editors in the field. The focus of the feedback is primarily to give developmental guidance and direction on developing the papers for publication in leading international IS journals and increase the impact and visibility of African scholarship in the IS discipline.

### 2) Detailed Description:

# Target Audience and Expected Attendance

Scholars (preferably scholars residing in Africa but not limited to this group): Ph.D. students, Junior/Senior Lecturers, Assistant, Associate and Full Professors.

## Workshop Schedule and Format

**Format:** The workshop has two parts:

- a) the first part, we plan panel sessions on contemporary issues in African scholarship. This session is open to any interested participant;
- b) the second part will feature roundtable discussions of submitted papers with assigned editors and mentors.

**Submission Instructions:** To participate in the second part of the workshop, interested participants are required to submit the work they intend to develop further into a journal article.

• Submit an extended abstract of the paper for which feedback is sought to africanWIS@gmail.com (with john.oredo@uonbi.ac.ke in cc)

- The extended abstract should be a minimum of 3-pages and maximum of 5-pages single-space (excluding references)
- Include a cover page that indicates a) the Name, b) Affiliation of the Author(s) and c) an indication of in-person or virtual participation.

**Submission deadline:** April 8th, 2024 **Decision on abstracts:** April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

#### Plan for Publications

The goal is to start a conversation with the editors on how the authors mentored during the workshop can develop their papers into articles that can be considered for publication in leading IS journals.

#### **Editors and Mentors**

#### Tentative list:

Alok Gupta

Atta Addo

Dorothy Leidner

Isam Faik

Jason Thatcher

Lemuria Carter

Likoebe Maruping

Lisa Seymour

Marcia Mknasi

Margunn Aanestad

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### 3) Workshop Organizers

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#### 4) Submission Links

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