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### **Call for Abstracts**

5<sup>th</sup> African Conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases and Biosecurity

"Climate Change and Conflict: Implications for Emerging Infectious Diseases and Biosecurity in Africa"

Abuja, Nigeria

August 7-9, 2019

Global Emerging Pathogen Treatment Consortium (GET) in partnership with Mothergold (MG) is organizing the 5<sup>th</sup> African conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases and Biosecurity in Abuja, Nigeria from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Rapid degradation of our environment in the form of deforestation, Climate Change and accumulation of toxins in water tables and the atmosphere, coupled with rapidly expanding megacities is creating opportunities for EID and Biosecurity threats in Africa. We are experiencing an increasing frequency and range of EIDs. Ebola, Lassa, Yellow Fever, Monkey Pox, Cholera, Bird flu and Meningitis are all examples. Shrinking natural resources is creating human competition for water and grazing leading to demographic conflict. This conference is an academic and policy based meeting organized to address the impact of changing climate and increasing conflict on Emerging Infectious Diseases (EID) and Biosecurity in Africa.

#### **Objectives of the conference:**

- 1) Discuss and debate the impact of changing climate on EID and Biosecurity in Africa
- 2) Discuss the rising insecurity and the influence of non state actors on biosecurity in Africa
- 3) Identify regional and international opportunities for collaboration in EID and Biosecurity research.

- 4) Opportunity to present the latest breaking research activity and Collaborations from Ebola and other deadly Emerging infectious diseases.
- 5) Identify activity going on the Continent and use information shared to develop milestones for achieving an African Agenda
- 6) Debate evolving vaccine and immunological therapeutic modalities.

The conference will focus on Eight (8) thematic areas. Abstracts on these and related topics are being solicited from academic, industrial and governmental organizations at the local, national, continental and international level. Abstracts of 200-300 words are being sought for both oral and poster presentations under the following thematic areas:

# There will be 8 streams at the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting in Nigeria:

- 1. Era of Emerging Infectious Diseases (EID)
- 2. Climate change and health
- 3. Biosecurity
- 4. Biobanking,
- 5. Public Learning and Understanding of Science (PLUS),
- 6. Vaccine and Immunological Strategy
- 7. The Cultural, Anthropological, Social and Economic Impact of Emerging Infectious Diseases (CASE)
- 8. Junior Faculty. Mentoring the next generation of African Scientists on EID.

A 200-300 word electronic abstract must be received by GET latest by May **30, 2019**. Please submit your abstract to bobadoyed@getafrica.org. Specify platform or poster presentation preference. You will be notified of the fate of your submission by the 30th of June. Important Dates:

Abstract submission due: May 30, 2019

Abstract acceptance notifications: June 30, 2019

NOTE: Although authors are requested to indicate their preference for oral or poster presentations, it may not be possible to accommodate all the requests.

GET can provide an invitation letter to assist with visa applications for international authors once abstracts have been accepted.

### **Conference Fees**

(The fee includes conference materials, coffee breaks and a lunch buffet)

## **Conference registration fees:**

\$50 (Students- Normal delegate)

\$150 (African Delegates -Normal Registration),

\$300 (Non-African Delegates -Normal Registration)

Delegates with accepted abstract will also have a 25% reduction in registration fee.