

AFRICA REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2016

*"India and Africa share a deep bond of friendship,
forged by history, common challenges and a
shared journey on the path of progress."*

Shri Narendra Modi
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India



Important Dates

Promoting Economic Empowerment of Women through Knowledge Partnerships'

Abstract Submission

Jan 22 2016

MARCH 03-04 2016, KENYA

Final Paper Submission

Feb 15 2016

The Conference aims to discuss the potential for building and consolidating partnership between India and Africa for economic empowerment of women at national, regional and inter-continental levels.

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PROMOTING ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN THROUGH KNOWLEDGE PARTNERSHIPS'

The Conference is funded by Government of UK's Department for International Development (DFID) and is jointly hosted by IPE Global - India and IPE Global - Kenya in partnership with Kenya Association of Women Business Owners (KAWBO).

The Conference will have several experts/academicians from across the African region, specialists in the field of women's issues, economic empowerment, technical support, entrepreneurship, skill development and women centric growth. Participation is expected from regional and national governments (specifically Ministers working on women and economic issues), Bilateral and Multilateral International Agencies, Civil Society groups/ Non - Governmental Organisations, financial institutions, private sector, regional networks, think-tanks, academia and grassroots groups, from the participating countries.

Conference Themes

- **Women Empowerment and the Global Agenda**
- **Women empowerment: Policies and priorities with focus on African region**
- **Empowerment through market linkages and financial inclusion**
- **Capacity building of women for livelihood options: Sharing of experiences**

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ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JANUARY 22 2016

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The Conference envisages to enhance cooperation between India and African nations through robust discussions around women empowerment. It will bring out relevant recommendations, especially in the backdrop of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) achieving gender equality and empowerment of women and girls as one of the goals.

The Conference will provide countries an opportunity to learn from each other's experience and provide a platform to forge partnerships to address women empowerment in their respective countries. This would also pave way for new models of global cooperation to emerge and help remove socio-economic barriers to women's participation in the economy. It is expected that the discussions would help in preparing plan of action for women empowerment at the:

- **International level** (identifying the role of UN agencies and other international bodies in extending support to women empowerment initiative and promoting inter and intra- regional partnerships)
- **National level** (role of respective national governments to take policy and programme initiatives)
- **Civil society groups and networks** (generating awareness and ensuring participation of women)
- **Think Tanks and Lead Research Organisations:** (to generate evidence based research and action plan to identify areas of cooperation and promote partnership)

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Final Paper submission deadline:	February 15 2016
Conference Dates:	March 03 - 04 2016

Style Guide for Abstract Submission

1. All abstracts must be submitted and presented before **January 22 2016**. You can include the names of up to 5 co-authors as well (using "et al." or a team name is also permitted). You are allowed to submit only one abstract.
2. Abstracts must be submitted in Microsoft Word format using Arial 11 point font size. Abstracts that are not submitted in the correct format will be returned to authors, who will be asked to resubmit only if time permits.
3. An abstract should not exceed 500 word limit.
4. The abstract **Titles** should consist of not more than 20 words. No abbreviations are to be used in titles. Please be sure to include no more than **5 key words**.
5. All abstracts should be written in English.

Style Guide for Paper Submission

1. Prospective authors are invited to submit full papers based on the abstract shared and approved latest by February 15 2015.
2. Papers must be submitted in Microsoft Word format using Arial 11 point font size.
3. The paper word limit should not exceed 3000 words
4. All images used in the paper should be high resolution in jpg/gif/png format only.
5. All tables should be referenced beginning with Table 1.
6. All references should be correctly mentioned in the paper
7. Paper submissions must include title, abstract, keywords, author and affiliation with email address.

The organisers regard plagiarism as a serious professional misconduct. All submissions will be screened for plagiarism and if identified, the submissions will be rejected.

Selected Papers will be disseminated at the Conference and will be a part of the participant kit.

The selected papers will be:

- Uploaded on the Knowledge Partnership Programme (KPP) website (www.ipekpp.com). The KPP is funded by Government of UK's Department for International Development (DFID) and managed by IPE Global.
- Shared with KPP's Africa and South Asian network through monthly eNewsletters
- Disseminated through various networks outreach platforms
- Shared online with the estakeholders database

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