

ALL AFRICA YOUTH CONGRESS

Africa: My Home. My Future.

Expression of interest - Call for Proposals

All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC) is a continental ecumenical body founded in 1963 that accounts for over 200 million Christians across the continent. AACC is the largest association of Protestant, Anglican, Orthodox and Indigenous churches in Africa and is a member of the worldwide ecumenical network. It is a fellowship of 198 members comprising of Churches, National Councils of Churches (NCCs), theological and lay training institutions and other Christian organizations in 42 African countries.

AACC in its mission to contribute to the transformation of Africa through human agency endeavors to organize a Congress that will gather 5000 youth from across Africa, Africans in Diaspora and people of African Descent to critically reflect and engage on their contributions for stability and wellbeing of Africa with the vision, **Africa: My Home. My Future.**

The Congress aims to inspire young people to be patriotic to their countries and Africa at large by utilizing their talents towards building a thriving continent. The Congress is scheduled for **27th September to 2nd October 2020** in Accra, Ghana. *Due to the onset and onslaught of COVID-19 pandemic, the dates cannot be confirmed at this time.*

The AACC invites partners, youth and developmental organizations to consider organizing concurrent sessions / side events / seminars / workshops/ dialogues and exhibitions during the congress. All prospective partners should align their events/sessions and exhibitions to the themes of the congress.

The following are the thematic areas:

YOUTH AND AFRICAN PATRIOTISM

- ❖ Celebrating arts, culture and heritage
- ❖ Showcasing youth innovation, entrepreneurship and job creation
- ❖ Embracing youth in cyber technology and development

ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

- ❖ Youth participation in governance and decision-making processes
- ❖ Ending corruption in Africa, addressing transparency and accountability in Africa
- ❖ Building a new generation of Patriotic African leaders

JUSTICE AND SECURITY

- ❖ Confronting climate change
- ❖ Youth for gender justice
- ❖ Silencing the guns
- ❖ Addressing inequality and injustice in the extractive industry
- ❖ Mitigation of human trafficking and irregular immigration
- ❖ Responding to Africa's emerging debt crisis

AFRICAN DIGNITY

- ❖ Responding to disease crisis
- ❖ Addressing inequality and discrimination against people with disabilities
- ❖ Overcoming xenophobia, racism, religious persecution, Afrophobia
- ❖ Overcoming harmful traditional practices
- ❖ Wellness (mental, physical, spiritual, financial)

Partners are expected to express interest in participating by highlighting their areas of focus, outlining the session/side event to be organized, names of organizers, proposed names of speakers, and how the event will contribute to the main theme, **Africa: My Home. My Future** or the sub-themes of the congress.

Submissions of interest should be sent to: youthcongress@aacc-ceta.org , email subject: **Expression of Interest.**