**Critical Pathways Autumn Fellowship 2023 Application Form**

The Critical Pathways community aims to reflect critically on the sustainability transition and to help the university community and the society at large to move beyond an understanding of sustainability narrowly focused on technology and solutions and to include considerations of social, cultural and ecological norms and values, power relations, and global and/or local inequalities.

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| ***Please describe how your fellowship would contribute to that goal (max 250 words):*** |
| My participation shall contribute through my knowledge of the four pillars of sustainability as a guide towards long-term sustainable development.  Environmental sustainability aims at avoiding wasting water, acting to stop global warming, avoiding the use of plastic bags, planting trees to help protect the environment.  Economic sustainability is the efficient use of resources to improve the standards of living, without negatively impacting the environment.  Social sustainability target our common wellbeing in terms of healthcare, education, housing, employment, etc.  Human sustainability focuse on nurturing and developing the human component for a thriving society.  The goal of sustainability is to create a sustainable product to reduce environmental and ecological risks from damage due to human activities with responsible use of information technology to support sustainable development.  Solutions for sustainable development include the use of recyclable materials, the utilization of renewable energy sources, and energy conservation.  Solution deals with a problem or issue while Technology is the means by which the issue or problem is solved.  I shall encourage communal actions and alternative modes of addressing the sustainability transition using Yoruba traditional music, instruments, language, crafts, cultural history and heritage, as learning and interactive programs for adults and youths.  The fellowship shall benefit my educational and cultural practices, through gained and enriched expertice. At the end of my participation, experience gathered shall have lasting impact on my activities in more efficient ways, to enlighten both the formal and informal recipients of my vocations back home. |

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| *Please describe the activity you would like to organize for the Critical Pathways community of researchers, teachers and students (max 250 words):* |
| My work shall explore themes revolving around cultural heritage, community life, environment and humanity, towards human and social development.   * INTERCUITURAL COMMUNICATION AND INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE ACTIVITIES   Activities using the African indigenous values system like Oral proverbs and African philosophies such as:  Ubuntu ('I am what I am because of who we all are'),  Omoluabi (refers to a wide range of positive qualities that are highly valued in Yoruba culture), shall address how traditions and culture can promote intercultural cooperations in the local and global space, using the easily relatable traditional Yoruba talking drums and folklores in interacting with youth and adult residents in the university community: researchers, teachers and students.   * INVEST IN OUR PLANET ACTIVITIES   Invest in our planet will focus on need for sustainability as it affects our natural resources: vegetation; afforestation and green revolution, minerals; pollution and green energy and human resources; population dynamics and enlightenment.  Secondly, Solution to plastic pollution as it benefitss aquatic/water habitats and terrestial/land habitats.   * MUSICAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES:   The musical activities shall include the African dancing, folklores and role playing as it relates to the human sustainability and social sustainability.  The story telling, Drama and theatrical activities shall relate to the social and economic sustainability as regards to effects of human activities in the environment.  Cultural Games activities shall address the social and team bonding neccessary for cooperation in the human, social, economic and ecological sustainability needed in the society/community using Yoruba traditional music, instruments, language, crafts, cultural history and heritage. |

Critical Pathways provides a budget to cover travel and accommodation costs for a two week stay in Utrecht in October or November 2023, up to a maximum of €5.000.

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| **Requested budget** | |
| **Category (travel/accommodation/visa)** | **Amount in €** |
| *1. Travel documentations and visa application:* | *€500* |
| *2. Flight:* | *1,700* |
| *3. Feeding and accommodation:* | *€2,000* |
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| **Total** | **€4,200** |

*Please send this form, together with your CV, before 1 June 2023 to* [*criticalpathways@uu.nl*](mailto:criticalpathways@uu.nl)