**CHINHOYI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GROWTH, INNOVATION, INDUSTRIALISATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

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**CHINHOYI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, GREAT HALL.**

**12TH TO 17TH FEBRUARY 2023**

**DEAR DELEGATE**

Welcome to the Chinhoyi University of Technology’s International Conference on Growth, Innovation, Industrialisation and Sustainable development, running under the theme CUT-Innovate 2023. The conference’s organising committee welcomes you and wishes you an innovative and eventful stay in Chinhoyi.

**ABOUT THE CONFERENCE**

The fifth Chinhoyi University of Technology’s International Conference on Growth, Innovation, Industrialisation and Sustainable Development comes at the most opportune moment as it coincides with the University’s 20th Anniversary. The theme also resonates with the Government’s new thrust on the heritage-based Education 5.0 premised on teaching, research, community engagement, innovation and industrialisation.

The conference is a premier event earmarked to rally illustrious and emerging academics from diverse disciplines to spotlight innovation and sustainable development in the context of the heritage-based Education 5.0 trajectory. Building on the success of the four previous conferences, this conference provides an international platform for academics, researchers, policy-makers, captains of industry and students to seamlessly share experiences and expertise on the overarching multi-disciplinary conference theme and sub-themes detailed below

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS –CLOSE 30 JANUARY 2023**

The abstract title should be short and informative. The body must provide the central idea in the paper and a summary of its background, purpose, methodology, results and conclusion. It should be a single paragraph not exceeding 250 words. Acronyms must be written in full, the first time, followed by the abbreviation in brackets.

Not more than six words must be provided as keywords. The keywords should be written in lowercase letters and separated with commas.

The abstract should be submitted in the MS Word formant; Times New Roman, font size 12.

Indicate one, or a maximum of three, most relevant themes for your abstract from the stated themes and sub-themes of the conference.

Send in a brief biography together with the abstract. The biography should provide information on institutional affiliation, department, faculty and country.

All abstracts, clearly indicating the thematic area as subject should be submitted to: [cutconference2023@cut.ac.zw](mailto:cutconference2023@cut.ac.zw).

**CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

**Delegate registration**

Delegate attendance will only be confirmed upon receipt of the completed CUT International Research Conference registration form together with payment of the Conference fee. Confirmation of the booking and receipt of payment will be emailed to delegates prior to conference.

Payment facilities will also be available on the Registration Desk at the conference venue.

**Conference time/venue**

The conference will begin promptly at 0800hrs CAT on the meeting dates. A number of venues will be used during the conference. Please look out for the meeting room name on the Main Conference. Tea/coffee and lunch will be provided.

**Conference facilities**

All conference facilities and meeting rooms are equipped with hi-speed Wi-Fi. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, it is considered to crucial for delegates to take care of themselves and others by the highest measures of safety and social distancing.

**Conference language**

The conference will be conducted using the English language. However, French and Portuguese may be available simultaneous interpretation during the whole event.

**ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES**

Delegates are encouraged to make individual arrangements to secure accommodation as early as possible. Below are suggested accommodation facilities and their contact details.

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| **Name** | **Contact Details** | **Distance from the Conference venue** |
| CUT HOTELS | +263 67 2129419/2  [reservationscut@hotel.ac.zw](mailto:reservationscut@hotel.ac.zw) | 0 km |
| CUT STUDENT HOSTELS | +263 773 593 222  +263 67 21 222 03-5 | 0 km |
| ORANGE GROVE MOTEL | +263 0267 2121382 / 212 1726  +263 774 949 632  [reservationscut@hotel.ac.zw](mailto:reservationscut@hotel.ac.zw) | 3.6 km |
| CHINHOYI CAVES MOTEL | +263 67 27778/9  +263 733 732 034  +263 719 732 034  [Zimparkschinhoyicavesmotel@gmail.com](mailto:Zimparkschinhoyicavesmotel@gmail.com)  [chinhoyicavesmotel@zimparks.co.zw](mailto:chinhoyicavesmotel@zimparks.co.zw) | 9.8 km |
| SITRAM GUEST HOUSE | +263 773 593 368  +263 717 156 346  +263 782 936 503  [Isithoram@gmail.com](mailto:Isithoram@gmail.com) | 3.5 km |
| CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTRE | +263 67 234 78  [pastoral.centre@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:pastoral.centre@yahoo.co.uk) | 3.4 km |
| PERANDA LODGE | +263 78 458 2245  [perandalodge@gmail.com](mailto:perandalodge@gmail.com) | 4.6 km |

\*Delegates are also free to secure accommodation apart from the suggested list.

**TRANSPORT**

Transport will not be available for attendees to the conference; thus, individual travel arrangements have to be made prior to, during and after the conference. For your convenience, below is a list of accredited metered taxis operators that you may make use of during your stay in Chinhoyi.

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| **Taxi (Metered)** | **Contact Number** |
| Kaunda Taxis | 0775287287 |
| Cloud Taxis | 0774534563 |
| Tk Taxis | 0779494217 |
| Ruben Taxis | 0772990481 |
| Diva Taxis | 0772887014 |
| Bye Taxis | 0777831464 |
| Crybet Taxis | 0771814325 |
| Muronzi Taxis | 0776900526 |

\*the cost of the taxi service will be borne by

**FOOD AND BEVERAGES**

Food and beverages will be served to registered participants. Breakfast, lunch and afternoon teas will be served in designated areas. Delegates will be required to make individual arrangements for dinner.

Some popular eateries in Chinhoyi include;

* CUT Canteen
* Valleyview
* Chicken Inn (Fast food)
* Pizza Inn (Fast food)
* Eat n Lick (Fast food)
* Jenaguru (Traditional food)

**CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE**

By attending CUT’s 5th International Conference make sure you carry back with you some memorable experiences. As the adage goes, ‘to travel is to live’, you have travelled, make the best out of it. Outside the conference, delegates are encouraged to visit local places and engage with the local economy.

***Entertainment***

Entertainment during the conference will be provided by local artists and performers.

***Night life***

Outside the conference, delegates can choose to visit areas in Chinhoyi. The are a number of entertainment spots in Chinhoyi. Although the Chinhoyi is relatively safe, delegates are encouraged to exercise due caution when visiting unfamiliar areas.

***Tours***

Three tours have been organised for delegates during the conference, those interested are encouraged to register in advance for planning purposes.

1. **Technical Tour**

A technical tour to the University’s Agro-Industrial Park, Milking Parlor and Innovation Hub has been organised for delegates during the conference. The tour will allow delegates to familiarize with research projects and innovations being pursued by the University. Participants will be required to bring a sun hat and a note book. The tour will last 4 hours.

1. **Tourist Tour packages**

Two tourist packages have been prepared for delegates to visit local places of interest. As highlighted before, interested participants will be required to register and pay for the tour for planning purposes.

1. **Half day Tour – Chinhoyi Caves and Kore-kore village ($30)**

A worthwhile break during the conference to visit the magnificent Chinhoyi Caves, some natural underground caves with a rich cultural history is all that you need to reflect on all the conference proceedings. To top-off the tour will be a visit to the Kore Kore village, a living village which allows you to participate in the Kore Kore way of life. Activities during the tour are storytelling, traditional dances, nature walks, traditional food preparation, and cooking methods. The tour will last 4 hours.

1. **Full day tour- Mazvikadeyi Resort. Braai and Lunch Cruise ($60)**

What a way to relax after an eventful conference. A visit to Mazvikadei takes you away from the hectic conference environs to a more relaxed natural environment with a blend of African Bush. The tour activities include, swimming, volley ball, braai, and a lunch time cruise. The tour will last 10 hours.

We hope you enjoy your working travel experience around Chinhoyi and its environs

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**HEALTH PROTOCOLS**

The conference comes at a time when a new variant of Covid 19 (XXB) has been reported. It is reported that the variant is more severe, thus more care and observance of Covid-19 protocols enforced. For the conference, National health standards and protocols will be strictly adhered to for both local and international delegates. Delegates to the conference will be required to provide Covid 19 vaccination certificate showing that they received three doses of vaccines. Without vaccination evidence, delegates will be required to produce a negative PCR test result, taken less than 48 hours before arrival at the conference venue.

**INDEMNITY CLAUSE**

Whilst several measures have been put in place to ensure the safety and security of delegates and attendees to the international research conference, the Chinhoyi University of Technology shall not be held accountable for any loss, damage, injury or death to person or property during the conference and/or anywhere on the premises. All delegates and attendees hereby indemnify and hold blameless CUT, it’s management, employees, partners or contractors from and against any and all claims for such loss, damage, injury or death.

**General**

* + The conference will be held in Chinhoyi, Zimbabwe. All legal matters pertaining to the International Conference and its attendance by delegates shall be governed by the laws of Zimbabwe.
  + The Local organising committee reserves the right to utilise all digital assets such as conference photography, videography and social media posts for marketing purposes.
  + The Local organising committee reserves the right of admission to its premises and may have any persons removed in the event of unruly, defamatory, or disruptive behaviour, or whatever reason may constitute the said person to be damaging to the reputation of ORC as a premier research and conservation conference.

**CONTACT US**

For more details on the conference, please contact us on the following details;

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