**9th African Population Conference 2024**

**Conference Theme: “Road to 2030: Leveraging Africa’s human capital to achieve transformation in a world of uncertainty”**

*20th – 24th May, 2024*

*Lilongwe, Malawi*

**Call for Session Suggestions**

The UAPS Council is seeking suggestions from UAPS members for sessions to appear in the Call for Papers for the 9th African Population Conference (APC), which will take place in Lilongwe, Malawi on 20-24 May 2024. To contribute to the scientific programme of the 9th APC, please submit your suggestions by [completing this form.](Form%20for%20call%20for%209th%20APC%20sessions_final.docx)

Deadline for submission: **31st October 2023**

Your suggestion should include:

* a short but self-explanatory title for the session;
* a brief paragraph explaining the importance and rationale of the session given the theme of the conference (maximum 300 words);
* the names and email addresses of two potential organizers (including yourself if you wish to be the session organizer);
* Two sub-themes in which your suggested session belongs : one primary sub-theme and a secondary sub-theme if the session addresses more than one sub-theme (using the list of sub-themes provided below).
* We expect all sessions to fit in the list of suggested sub-themes, but in the unlikely event that there is not a good fit, please select “Other”. You will need to justify the relevance of the session to the overall conference theme and to African demography more generally.

The International Organizing Committee will make final decisions on all sessions and sub-themes, including modifying or merging your suggested session with those of other members. Members are encouraged to propose broad topics as they may attract a large number of papers. Sessions that address new research and innovative methodologies or contribute to theory and policy are strongly encouraged.

**Conference Sub-themes**

1. Fertility patterns in Africa: falls, stagnation, and reversals
2. Improving sexual and reproductive health, and rights of the underserved
3. Technological advances in family planning: ethics, acceptability, cost-effectiveness
4. 30 years after Cairo: ICPD+30
5. Transformative approaches for expanding high quality education: from early childhood to tertiary education
6. African operationalization of the demographic dividend: methodologies, case studies, and challenges
7. Adolescents and youth: opportunities and challenges of growing up in 21st Century
8. Gender equality and the gender dividend
9. Internal migration and urbanization
10. International migration and forced migration
11. Communicable and non-communication diseases: patterns and future trends
12. Maternal, newborn, and child health
13. Patterns of mortality of young people and adults
14. Older people: wellbeing and socioeconomic implications for society
15. Impacts of COVID-19 and lessons for future pandemics.
16. Nutrition and food security
17. Population, Economy, Environment, and Health
18. Best examples of Science-Policy-Society Interfaces
19. Methodological advances in population and development studies
20. Use of routine data: opportunities and challenges
21. Artificial Intelligence and future investments in human capital.
22. Harmful practices and their effects on achievement of SDGs
23. Better data for more effective policies and programmes
24. Demography, peace and security
25. The facets of inequality in Africa: Implications for population and development policies
26. Data governance, security and management in the era of digital transformation