IST-Africa Week 2017
Call for Papers
Windhoek - Namibia

31 May - 02 June 2017

Thematic Priorities include
• mHealth / eHealth
• Technology-enhanced Learning and eSkills
• mAgriculture / eAgriculture & Environmental Sustainability
• eInfrastructures and NRENs (National Research and Education Networks)
• Next Generation Computing (Big Data, Cloud Computing, Future Internet, IoT)
• eGovernment and Public Service Delivery
• Content Technologies: Language; Digital Preservation
• Cybersecurity, Privacy and Trust
• Collaborative Open Innovation and ICT-enabled Entrepreneurship (including Social Entrepreneurship)
• Global Development (including ICT4D)
• Societal Implications of Technology

IST-Africa Week 2017 will start with the 7th Annual IST-Africa Workshop on Open Innovation, ICT and Social Entrepreneurship in Africa on 30 May

Submission of Papers & Workshop Proposals
• Papers and Workshops must highlight level of Innovation and Actual or Expected Impact
• Paper Focus – Technical, Case Study or Visionary
• Papers must present either a Case Study, or Analysis of Initial / Final Research or Implementation Project Results
• Papers (4,000 - 5,000 words) should use the IST-Africa Paper Template

Papers accepted for the Conference Proceedings and physically presented will be submitted for publication in IEEE Xplore

Deadlines
• Online Submission Extended Deadline: 23 Dec 2016
• Provisional Acceptance: 09 February 2017
• Submission of Final Paper: 10 March 2017
• Presenter Registration: 10 March 2017

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IST-Africa Initiative

Hosted by IST-Africa Partner Governments since 2006, IST-Africa Week is the flagship event of the IST-Africa Initiative. Founded in 2002, IST-Africa is supported by European Commission and African Union Commission, and co-funded under the European Framework Programme since 2005 (current Contract No. 723240).

Coordinated by IIMC (Ireland), IST-Africa is a Strategic Partnership with Ministries and National Councils responsible for Innovation, Science and Technology in 18 African Countries. IST-Africa facilitates and supports:

- Strategic engagement with Africa focused on International Research, Innovation and Policy Cooperation
- Knowledge sharing, capacity building and skills transfer between IST-Africa Partner Countries
- Collaborative Open Innovation, ICT-enabled Entrepreneurship (including Social Entrepreneurship) and Global Development (including ICT4D)
- Africa - EU Strategic Partnership (ICT-enabled Research and Innovation supporting Sustainable Development)

Conference Profile

IST-Africa Week 2017 is the twelfth annual Ministerial-level Technology Research and Innovation Conference. It brings together senior representatives from leading public, private, education and research, societal and funding organisations around the world to share knowledge and experience of ICT-enabled Innovation, Science and Technology related Adoption, Policy and Research in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The IST-Africa Week Conference Series provides a platform to strengthen ICT-enabled Innovation, Science and Technology related policy dialogues within Africa, and between Africa, Europe and the rest of the world. This is achieved through strategy and policy oriented Plenary Sessions, rich thematic knowledge exchange through the Scientific Programme, and co-located multi-lateral and bi-lateral meetings.


IST-Africa Week 2017 will feature ICT-enabled Innovation, Science and Technology, Entrepreneurship and Global Development related discussion, showcase research, innovation and implementation related results, and focus on Research and Innovation Collaboration Opportunities between Africa and Europe under Horizon 2020.

Call for Support Organisations

The IST-Africa Week Conference Series is self-funding through public, private and donor sector support and registrations. As a Support Organisation, your generosity can facilitate the provision of scholarships for deserving African participants and delivery of additional services for delegates. Please contact Secretariat@IST-Africa.org

Publishing Schedule

- Draft Final Paper and Workshop Proposals submitted online by extended deadline of 23 December 2016
- Provisional Acceptance of Draft Final Papers with IPC feedback by 09 February 2017
- Final Papers to be submitted online by 10 March 2017 for editorial review & quality check
- Accepted Presenters must register and pay the Presenter Fee by 10 March 2017
- Papers accepted and physically presented during the event will be included in the Conference Proceedings (with ISBN Number) on USB flash drive, published in the IST-Africa Open Access Paper Repository and submitted for publication in IEEE Xplore

There are three different presentation opportunities during IST-Africa Week 2017: i) Published paper focused on Research, Innovation or Implementation results with oral presentation; ii) Published case study with oral presentation; and iii) oral presentation of interim results either within a workshop or thematic parallel session.

International Programme Committee

A distinguished International Programme Committee (IPC) is being formed by Paul Cunningham, the IST-Africa Conference Chair. The IPC will evaluate and provide actionable feedback to help authors improve their final draft papers, strengthen the impact of their final presentations and chair sessions.

Conference Portal - Please visit www.IST-Africa.org/Conference2017