





# DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN STUDIES

Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi - 110007

is organising a

# TWO DAY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

on

India-Africa Relations: Exploring New Pathways and Building the Future Together

or

6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>,MARCH 2024



# **Department of African Studies**



















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### **Concept Note:**

India and Africa share a deep historical, cultural, and economic relationship that dates back centuries. In recent years, these ties have grown stronger as both India and African nations have recognized the potential for mutually beneficial cooperation. The inclusion of the African Union as a permanent member of the G20, hosted by India, marked a significant step towards greater African representation in global governance, solidifying existing ties and promoting new partnerships. The "India-Africa Relations: Exploring New Pathways and Building the Future Together" conference aims to provide a platform for dialogue, collaboration, and strategic planning to enhance this partnership. India and Africa have a unique opportunity to forge a stronger, more strategic partnership that benefits both regions. The ties that bind India and Africa are more than just diplomatic; they are a testament to the age-old spirit of unity, mutual respect, and shared ambition. This conference serves as platforms to not only reflect on our past but to chart a course for a future of renewed partnership and unparalleled growth. The India-Africa relationship is one characterized by its rich historical tapestry. Stretching back centuries, it reflects the ancient trade routes and cultural exchanges that existed long before the era of globalization. From the voyages of African traders to the shores of the Indian subcontinent to the mingling of cultures and ideas, the historical underpinnings of this relationship are both profound and enduring. The threads of our history continue to weave a vibrant cultural connection, as demonstrated by the exchange of music, art, cuisine, and literature that enriches our societies to this day. In recent decades, India and Africa have strengthened their economic bonds, recognizing the potential for mutual prosperity. As we stand at the threshold of a new era, it is imperative to explore new pathways in trade, investment, and economic cooperation. Our shared commitment to sustainable development and economic growth is a driving force, one that propels us to seek innovative solutions and seize emerging opportunities.

The conference aims to foster a deeper understanding of the dynamics of India-Africa relations and explore innovative approaches for collaboration across various sectors. It seeks to facilitate knowledge exchange, promote economic cooperation, and build lasting partnerships between Indian and African governments, businesses, and civil society.



# Guidelines for submission of abstracts and full papers:

Abstracts submitted for consideration should use these criteria:

- An abstract should not exceed 300 words.
- · The relevant conference sub-theme should be identified.
- The abstract should be written in English or Hindi.
- Font: Times New Roman, size 12, 1.5 line spacing, 1-inch margins.
- The title should be as brief as possible but long enough to convey the nature of the study. Abstracts should state briefly the background, purpose or objectives, methodology, results, conclusions or discussions, and keywords.
- The abstract should clearly indicate the first author by adding a \* (superscript) after the name (eg: XYZ\*).
- Author designation and affiliation should be on a separate page.
- The Corresponding Author's phone number and email address should be listed.

Submission of full papers should use these criteria:

- The author's name should be on the title page only to facilitate a blind referring process
- The following order is to be noted when typing the manuscript:
   Title, Authors, Affiliation, Abstract, Keywords, Main Text,
   References
- The manuscript must be typed with 1.5 spaced (single-spaced for indented material, notes, and references)
- Have the suggested font size: all headings, including the title, should be in 14-point Times New Roman and text should be in 12point Times New Roman
- · Have margins of 1 inch on all sides
- Follow the APA 7th edition format for reference
- The word limit for a full paper submission, including an abstract and references should be between 3000-5000 words.

#### Note:

Full papers should include a separate page containing the title of the paper, suggested topic and Sub-theme, Name(s) of the author(s), Organisation/institution affiliation, Corresponding Author, Cell phone, Fax, and E-mail address.

Papers will only be accepted if they have not been copyrighted, published, presented, or accepted for presentation at any other academic gathering and are not currently under review for presentation/publication, are received by the appropriate deadline and conform to the format and length requirements.

### **Conference Tracks**

#### Track 1: India- Africa, G-20 and Recent Developments

- Expanding Horizons: India-Africa Partnerships in the G20 Framework
- Towards Inclusive Global Governance: India-Africa Collaboration in the G20
- Charting New Frontiers: India-Africa Engagement in the G20 Summit
- Pioneering Together: India-Africa Solidarity in the G20 Community
- Shaping the Future: India-Africa Synergy in the G20 Dynamics
- Unlocking Potential: India-Africa Relations in the G20 Framework
- Global Partnerships, Local Impacts: India-Africa Collaboration in the G20 Summit
- Empowering Voices: India-Africa Collaboration in the G20 Assembly

#### Track 4: Youth, Gender and Contemporary Issues

- Youth leadership and engagement
- · Youth entrepreneurship and startups

Peacekeeping and conflict resolution efforts

Humanitarian assistance and disaster reliefPromoting peace and stability in the region

· Entrepreneurship, FDI and digital economy

- Educational and cultural opportunities for youth
- · Gender equality and women's empowerment
- Women in leadership roles in politics and business
- Women's entrepreneurship and economic participation

Track 5: Peace, Security and Political Dimensions

#### Track 2: Sustainable Economic Development and its key factors

- Enhancing bilateral trade relations
- Investment opportunities in key sectors
- Cross-border trade facilitation and infrastructure development
- Sustainable development goals and shared priorities
- Economic growth strategies and models
- Financial inclusion and microenterprise development
- Healthcare challenges and solutions
- Pharmaceutical industry collaboration
- Biotechnology advancements and their impact on health
- Renewable energy projects and partnerships
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies
- Environmentally sustainable practices

# Track 7: Trade, Regional Organization and Integration • Innovation ecosystems and startup collaborations

Track 6: Entrepreneurship, Development & Digital Economy

- Bilateral and multilateral diplomatic efforts
- Foreign policy alignment and strategic partnerships

• Promoting technology transfer and knowledge sharing

• Digital connectivity and e-commerce opportunities

Regional and international collaboration

#### Track 3: History, Culture and Social Attachments

- History and shared culture with Africa
- Cultural festivals and exchanges
- Preserving and promoting cultural heritage
- Cultural diplomacy and people-to-people ties
- Scholarships and educational programs
- Skills development and vocational training
- Research and academic collaborations

#### Track 8: Viksit Bharat 2047 and Agenda 2063

- Sharing best practices and innovations
- Agricultural innovations and best practices
- Food security initiatives and sustainable farming
- Agribusiness and rural development opportunities
- Infrastructure projects and connectivity
- Transportation, logistics, and trade routes
- Growth and economic development in Africa

#### Any other topic related to the conference

#### Important dates:

The last date for submission of abstracts and full papers is

29th February, 2024

The conference dates are 6-7, March 2024.

#### **Registration Fees**

Participant category fees

(INR)

- Faculty Members and Academicians ₹ 1000
- Research Scholars

₹ 500

Conference Attendees

₹ 300

\*The registration fee is inclusive of 18% GST

## **Registration Link:**

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Please keep the screenshot of the payment as it will be required for attaching with the registration Google form.

An award of best paper will be given to three best paper presenters.

The proceedings of the conference may be published in the form of an edited book.

The organizers will provide tea, snacks and lunch during the conference.

#### Accommodation:

On request, we can explore the possibility to provide accommodation depending on the availability. Cost towards accommodation (boarding/lodging) will be borne by the participants.

### **Inauguration & Conference Venue**

#### **DAY - 1**

Convention Hall, Vice Regal Lodge Near VC Office (North Campus) University Of Delhi Delhi-110007

06/03/2024 2 PM to 4 PM

**DAY - 2** 

International Guest House North Campus, University of Delhi Delhi-110007

07/03/2024



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