Call for papers

Annual Conference 2020
Inclusive growth in Mozambique – scaling up research and capacity

Evidence to enhance inclusive growth

5-6 November 2020, Maputo, Mozambique

Background

The conference is organized under the umbrella of the Inclusive growth in Mozambique – scaling up research and capacity programme. The five-year collaborative programme — with a central goal to support inclusive growth in Mozambique — is implemented jointly by the Directorate of Economic and Financial Studies (DEEF) of the Ministry of Economy and Finance of Mozambique, the Centre for Economic and Management Studies (CEEG) at Eduardo Mondlane University, the United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER), and the Development Economics Research Group (DERG) of the University of Copenhagen.

About the conference

The international conference will bring together 200 academic researchers, policy makers, and members of the development community from across the world to share findings and exchange knowledge on inclusive growth and development, and to discuss the challenges faced in low-income countries, in particular Mozambique. The conference will feature two international keynote speakers, twelve academic parallel sessions, a poster session and at least one policy panel.

We welcome submissions of academic papers from international and national researchers on the following themes:

- Stimulating structural transformation
- Supporting pro-poor macro-fiscal management
- Understanding trends in wellbeing and equity
- Enhancing labour productivity (especially in the informal sector and agriculture)
- Strengthening institutions
- Promoting access to and quality of public services (e.g., education, health)
- Addressing and adapting to climate change

Papers relating directly to Mozambique or other (resource-rich) low-income countries are encouraged. We suggest interested researchers consult the programme website for inspiration and access to micro-datasets: http://igmozambique.wider.unu.edu.
Submission procedure

Interested applicants wishing to present original research at the conference on the topics discussed above should complete the online application form. We particularly encourage submissions from early-career, female, and developing country researchers.

Each submission will require:

1. An up-to-date CV
2. An abstract not exceeding 300 words in plain text which should summarise the research question, the main methods and data, and key findings of the study and the larger policy implications of the research
3. A full-length paper OR an extended abstract
   - The first page of the paper or extended abstract should include all author names and affiliations and the above-mentioned 300-word abstract
   - In PDF format
   - Written in English OR Portuguese
   - Full-length papers should be 6,000–10,000 words long, whereas the extended abstracts should be 1,500–1,800 words long

Papers will be selected based on their quality and relevance to the conference themes. They can be written and presented in either English or Portuguese.

Any queries on the call for papers should be sent to: callforpapers1@wider.unu.edu.

Previously unpublished papers presented at the conference will be considered for publication in the WIDER Working Paper series.

Important dates

15 April 2020 Paper/extended abstract submission deadline (23:59 UTC+3)
15 May 2020 Target date for acceptance/rejection notification
25 September 2020 Final papers due
5-6 November 2020 Conference

Conference package and travel support

For accepted participants, travel support can be provided for one author per selected paper using the most economical travel route subject to the UNU Travel Policy guidelines; preference will be given to authors from developing countries. If required, UNU-WIDER can also provide visa support.

UNU-WIDER will provide hotel accommodation and most meals during the conference. There is no conference fee.

Conference language

The conference proceedings will be in Portuguese and English; simultaneous translation will be available for selected sessions.