

CALL FOR PAPERS 2019



AFRICAN TAX RESEARCH NETWORK (ATRAN)

5th Annual Congress

Digitalisation: Challenges and opportunities – Discussing the African Tax Landscape

Venue: Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

09 – 11 September 2019

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

The African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF) and the African Tax Research Network (ATRAN) are pleased to invite submissions for the 5th ATRN Annual Congress, which presents an opportunity for **academics, researchers, tax administrators, students, tax practitioners, consultants and decision-makers** on fiscal and tax policy in Africa, to gather and discuss different aspects relating to national, regional and international tax matters.

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The theme of the 5th Annual Congress is “*Digitalisation: Challenges and opportunities – Discussing the African Tax Landscape.*”

Prospective authors, both academics and practitioners, are invited to submit original and innovative papers on any topic related to the above theme and indicative topics detailed in a separate document.

Types of Submissions

The ATRN Scientific Committee invites submissions of papers for oral presentation at the Annual Congress in two major categories:

- **Academic papers:** These papers will be peer-reviewed by members of the Scientific Committee. If accepted, they will be invited to be presented at the ATRN Annual Congress.
- **Presentations based on non-academic papers:** This category covers Policy Briefs, Best Practices, and Short Case Studies.
 - *Papers are accepted both in English and in French.*

IMPORTANT NOTICE

After each ATRN Annual Congress in September, researchers are invited to submit their revised and final papers for consideration for publication in the ATRN Working Paper Series and Policy Briefs as well as the ATAF’s African Multidisciplinary Tax Journal, which will officially be launched in 2019. All papers will be submitted to a double-blind Peer-review process and only the papers of the highest quality, relevance and originality will be considered for the Journal.

In parallel to the Annual ATRN Congress, the ATAF’s Africa-wide Tax Essay Competition has been launched in 2018 and will take place annually. Winners will be announced during the ATRN Congress. Keep your eyes open for separate communication regarding this.

Important considerations when submitting papers

- A separate submission of a title page and manuscript (anonymous) will be required
- **Plagiarised Paper submissions will be automatically disqualified and rejected**
- Notification of acceptance of full-length papers will be sent to authors via email after a double-blind peer-review process by **14 June 2019**
- All manuscripts submitted will be required to meet the formatting guidelines for manuscripts as set in the ATRN web page. *Unlike preceding years, any papers not meeting the minimum requirements will be rejected. The link for paper submission will open in February 2019*
- A special recognition for high quality papers will be conferred through a Best Paper Award Program.
- **This year, only Papers related to the main theme will be accepted.**

Registration fees

- Early-bird **member** registration fee: **US\$ 180**
- Early-bird **non-member** registration fee: **US\$ 330**

- Standard **member** registration fee: **US\$ 280**
- Standard **non-member** registration fee: **US\$ 430**

- **Post-graduate student** registration fee: **US\$ 100***
**Post-graduate student registration fee applies throughout the registration period; however, a proof of registration will be required. Please note that all Post-graduate students are required to be members of the ATRN.*

- Please visit the ATRN website for more information about ATRN membership and benefits.

NB: Exempt persons: Members of the ATRN Scientific Committee

Deadline for paper submissions and other deadlines:

- Deadline for final submission of full research papers: **03 May 2019**
- Registration opens: **15 February 2019**
- Deadline for **early-bird** registration and payment: **12 July 2019**
- Deadline for **standard** registration and payment: **09 August 2019**

Cancellation Policy:

1. Cancellations received by e-mail to atrncongress@ataftax.org before **09 August 2019** will incur a 20% cancellation charge.
2. Cancellations received from **10 August 2019 onwards** will incur a 100% cancellation penalty.

For more information on the Scientific Committee, the Annual Congress Venue and Congress Fees, or if you are interested in attending the Annual Congress without delivering a paper, please visit the ATRN web page: <http://atrnafrica.org/>

All submission, registration and other enquiries related to the 5th ATRN Annual Congress may be addressed to:

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We look forward to welcoming you to our 2019 ATRN Annual Congress on “Digitalisation: Challenges and opportunities – Discussing the African Tax Landscape.”

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