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2015 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CHINESE AND AFRICAN SUSTAINABLE URBANIZATION

A CANADIAN AND INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

OCTOBER 24-25, 2015
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PANEL SERIES 1
RETHINKING CHINA'S URBANIZATION

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NEW TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

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SHARING CANADIAN URBAN
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URBANIZATION AND IDENTITY-BASED
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2015 International Conference on Chinese and African Sustainable Urbanization: A Canadian and International Perspective

October 24-25, 2015, Ottawa, Canada

Organizers:

University of Ottawa
UN-Habitat

Co-presidents:

Dr. Alioune Badiane, UN-Habitat
Dr. Huhua Cao, University of Ottawa

Registration: <http://chinaeam.uottawa.ca/ICCASU/>

The University of Ottawa and UN-Habitat are inviting submissions to present papers and posters, and to organize workshops, forums or panels at the 2015 International Conference on Chinese and African Sustainable Urbanization (ICCASU): A Canadian and International Perspective, taking place in Ottawa, Canada, October 24-25, 2015.

Over the last several decades China and many African countries have experienced rapid urbanization. The accelerated pace of China's urbanization will have unique impacts on the country's urban systems. The challenges and opportunities in China's cities provide unique insight into urbanization processes in other regions, particularly those of African states. Recent Chinese investments in African countries significantly impacts economic development on the continent, which has important implications for urban development strategies. This interdisciplinary conference will explore urban challenges in China and African states, the complexities of Chinese investments in African urbanization, and Canadian urban experiences. Specifically, the ICCASU will feature panels on urban systems in China, Canada and African states, as well as a special workshop on urbanization and identity-based conflict (Please see Call for abstracts for each Panel in annex of the document).

The capital of Canada has been chosen as the site for this conference, as it provides an opportunity for a diverse array of scholars, practitioners and policy-makers to share their experiences of urbanization in the countries of focus from a particularly Canadian perspective. This conference also provides an opportunity for participants to contemplate the shifts in Canada's approach to development and urbanization in African states, particularly under the leadership of its most recent government, and the ways in which Chinese engagement in African states differs from, and even acts as a substitute for diminishing western engagement. The ICCASU enjoys the support of prominent keynote speakers, including Caroline Andrew, Evelyn Peters, Chaolin Gu, John Zacharias, Allan Cain, etc.; as well as institutions such as UNITAR, Tsinghua University, the Munk School of Global Affairs, the University of Alberta's China Institute, and the Development Workshop Angola. Scholars and practitioners across multiple disciplines and country contexts will gather at the University of Ottawa to discuss these complex topics. This event will provide the opportunity for discussions regarding Canadian engagement in African states, and strengthening Sino-Canadian partnerships.

Conference Components:

Panel Series 1: Rethinking China's Urbanization

Panel Series 2: Africa's Rapid Urbanization: New Trends and Challenges

Panel Series 3: Sharing Canadian Urban Experiences

Workshop: Urbanization and Identity-based Conflict: a Global Perspective

Conference Official Languages: English and French

Important Dates:

Deadline for submission of abstract: see Call for abstracts for each Panel

Abstracts of 250 words accepted in English and/or French

Deadline for Registration: September 30, 2015; for Early Bird Registration: July 31, 2015

Registration Fee*:

Regular participants: CAD\$150

Students participants: CAD\$100

Early Bird*:

Regular participants: CAD\$100

Students participants: CAD\$50

*Registration includes two lunches and refreshments

Conference Accommodation:

Hotel Novotel Ottawa (Superior 2 Double Beds/ Superior King Bed)

Conference Rate: CAD\$129/night for October 22-25, 2015 (valid until September 22, 2015)

Please make your reservation by:

Phone: 613.230.3033

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Caroline Andrew, Professor Emeritus, University of Ottawa, Canada

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