

CALL FOR PAPERS

New Faces for African Development

Poster Session at the ERD Conference

21-23 May, Accra, Ghana

The European Commission DG Development recently launched a multiannual programme for “Mobilizing European Research for Development Policies”, whose target is to enhance the European perspective on development issues in the international arena, and to build a shared ground between the European research community and policymakers. The annual European Report on Development, ERD, represents the main outcome of this process, collecting a research-led and forward-looking review of development issues, and its first edition will focus on *Development in a Context of Fragility – Focus on Africa*.

The ERD will be the result of intense networking activities, and the participation of African researchers in this process is crucial to its success. This is why the ERD organizes a poster session in its Accra Conference, where PhD students and young researchers from African countries can present the outcomes of their research on topics related to African development, bringing to the forefront fresh and new views. Participants to the poster session have the opportunity to discuss their own research projects with leading researchers who will participate to the ERD Accra Conference, and to take part to the process which will lead to first edition of the ERD.

We encourage PhD students and young researcher to submit a detailed abstract describing the research they intend to present. The researches should be related to one of the following topics:

- Causes and consequences of fragility
- Food security and agriculture development in African countries
- The impact of the current economic crisis on fragile African countries
- The security-development nexus
- The challenge of institution building in African countries
- Gender equality and fragility

Participants will be selected by the ERD Core Team Members: Giorgia GIOVANNETTI (Università di Firenze), Franklin ALLEN (Wharton School, Univ. of Pennsylvania), Shailaja FENNELL (Univ. of Cambridge), Wendy HARCOURT (European University Institute), Marta REYNAL-QUEROL (Universitat Pompeu Fabra and BGSE), Pascal VENNESSON (European University Institute), and Thierry VERDIER (Paris School of Economics).

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Website: <http://erd.eui.eu>

Fee

No registration fee

Eligibility

PhD students and young researchers (up to 35 years) from African countries are invited to submit their proposals; submissions from students and researchers who are currently based in African institutions are strongly encouraged.

Submission

Fill in the on-line application form available at: <http://erd.eui.eu/?p=787>

Note that at the time of submission you will be requested to upload a short CV, including the names of two referees, and details – such as your passport number – which will eventually be required to organize your travel. Please go to <http://erd.eui.eu/?p=787> to see the information that you will have to fill in at the time of submission.

Submission deadline

1 April 2009

Notification of acceptance

Selected participants will be informed no later than *6 April 2009*

Submission of a full draft of the paper

15 May 2009

Accommodation and subsistence

Accommodation is organized and directly paid by the ERD; meals on May, 21-23 are organized and directly paid by the conference.

Travel costs

Travel costs will be covered individually up to an amount of €1,200; only economy class tickets will be reimbursed. No travel arrangement must be taken before prior contact with the EUI Conference Centre.