



**Institute for Environment and Sanitation Studies (IESS),
University of Ghana, in collaboration with Worldwide
Universities Network (WUN)**

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

**Conference on Climate Resilience and Waste
Management for Sustainable Development
(CReWAS Conference)**

**October 16-17, 2019
University of Ghana, Legon**

Submission: **NOW OPEN** Closing date: **July 15, 2019**

Notification of Acceptance: **July 30, 2019**

Full Paper Submission: **September 1, 2019**

The effects of climate change and improper waste management on the environment have attracted national and international attention in recent times. The **CReWAS** Conference seeks to bring together experienced researchers, academics, policymakers, private sector and civil society groups to discuss and share ideas, research findings and innovative models on key aspects of climate resilience and waste management for sustainable development. The conference will provide a platform for both seasoned and young scholars as well as entrepreneurs to present relevant research work and sustainable business models. ***It will also feature a multi-stakeholder forum organised by the United Nations University-MERIT, under the aegis of the Worldwide Universities Network on "A cross-National Study of Urban Solid Waste Management: Learning and Way Forward"***. Innovative

concepts, decision support tools and prototype technologies for climate resilience and waste management can be showcased at the conference. Accepted abstracts will be published in a “Book of Abstracts”. Relevant papers will also be selected after the conference and published in a Special Issue of West African Journal of Applied Ecology. Poster sessions would be held in parallel. A plenary session will climax the event.

You are invited to submit abstracts covering any of the following conference topics:

- Climate change impacts and adaptation
- Climate smart agriculture
- Enhancing resilience in the coastal zone
- Solid waste research and management
- Liquid waste, sanitation and hygiene research and management
- Resource use efficiency and circular economy
- Sustainable production and consumption
- Green entrepreneurship
- Information systems for environmental management

All accepted abstracts will be published in a “Book of Abstracts”. Relevant papers will also be published in a special issue of the peer reviewed West African Journal of Applied Ecology.

Conference fees

CONFERENCE DELEGATES	REGISTRATION FEES
Academics	150.00 GHC
Students	60.00 GHC
NGOs	100.00 GHC
Industry	200.00 GHC
International Participants	100 US dollars

Abstracts submission are invited for ORAL PRESENTATION or POSTER

PAPER – ORAL PRESENTATION	POSTER
Paper sessions will be held in parallel thematic sessions. Each abstract will be allocated 15 minutes for oral presentation and audience discussion. A moderator will facilitate the time limits for discussion.	The poster is an effective method for communicating scientific information through informal discussion. Poster presenters will have the opportunity during breaks and a poster session (approximately 1-1.5 hours)
Paper should not exceed 8,000 words including references (Time New Roman, 12, 1.5 line spacing, 2.5 cm margins)	Poster size A0 in portrait format
Session reference and time of presentation will be communicated one week before the conference.	Poster titles will be placed on poster boards under thematic categories, to guide the placement of posters on the morning of the conference (7 – 8:15 am)

If your personal circumstances restrict you to presenting your paper on a specific date, please send an email to drukpezah@staff.ug.edu.gh with your request as soon as possible.

ABSTRACTS SUBMISSION: Abstracts and full papers are ONLY accepted by e-mail to: crewas.conf@ug.edu.gh

- All abstracts must be submitted and presented in **English**.
- Abstracts should be based on any of the conference topics listed.
- Abbreviations should be defined the first time they appear in your text. Example: GES (Ghana Education Service), before being used as an abbreviation only. Please, do not define or use abbreviations in the title.
- Abstracts should not exceed 250 words. Authors should indicate their presentation preference: *oral* or *poster* in the subject line of their email. The Programme/conference committee reserves the right to decide on the final allocation and presentation method.
- After submitting your abstract, you will receive an email with your abstract ID.
- If you encounter any problems during the submission process or you do not receive any confirmation by email please contact the chair of the conference organising committee: drukpezah@staff.ug.edu.gh
- If you wish to make any corrections to an already submitted abstract, you should send email to drukpezah@staff.ug.edu.gh before the abstract submission deadline of July 15, 2019
- The notification of acceptance/rejection of the abstracts submitted will be sent to you via email by July 30, 2019.

MULTI-STAKEHOLDER FORUM ON “A CROSS-NATIONAL STUDY OF URBAN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT: LEARNING AND WAY FORWARD”

The following topics will feature during the multi-stakeholder forum organised by the United Nations University-MERIT, under the aegis of the Worldwide Universities Network on October 17, 2019:

1. Comparison of MSW management systems in terms of governance, citizens movement, corporate responsibility;
2. Impact of waste and value creation from waste (food waste, emissions, non-food valorisation of food chain resources, etc);
3. Behavioural change strategies towards a circular economy;
4. Policy tools and governance issues to enhance sustainable waste management

The above topics will be delivered by Academics from Europe and Ghana and all registered conference participants can elect to attend this workshop.

Deadline dates to note

- Abstract Submission Deadline: July 15, 2019.
- Notification of Acceptance/Rejection of abstracts: July 30, 2019.
- Final Paper Submission Deadline: September 1, 2019.
- Notification of acceptance of final paper: September 21, 2019
- Your confirmation of participation in conference: October 1, 2019
- Submission of PowerPoint version of your presentation: October 11, 2019
- Registration: On arrival at the conference on October 16, 2019
- Conference Date: Accra, University of Ghana October 16-17, 2019

If you wish to be a session chair, please email your request to drukpezah@staff.ug.edu.gh and indicate the topic area in which you are interested.