INCLUSIVE GROWTH IN MOZAMBIQUE

- scaling-up research and capacity



CALL FOR PAPERS IGM Annual Conference 2023:

Agricultural development in Mozambique: trends, challenges, and opportunities

In early-mid November 2023, the <u>Inclusive growth in Mozambique</u> (IGM) programme — a partnership between the Center for Economic and Management Studies of the University of Eduardo Mondlane, the Ministry of Economy and Finance, UNU-WIDER and the University of Copenhagen — will hold its annual academic conference in Maputo.

Organized under the theme 'Agricultural development in Mozambique: trends, challenges and opportunities', the conference will focus on studies of the dynamics of the agricultural and forestry sectors in Mozambique and their contribution to sustainable development in the face of present and future challenges, including climate change. Themes of particular interest to the conference include but are not limited to:

- Trends and drivers of smallholder agricultural performance
- Market structure and linkages (e.g. rural to urban; agro-processing)
- The role of women in the agricultural sector
- Out-grower schemes
- Value-chain analysis (e.g., soya, rice, potato, tomato, cashew/macadamia nut, woods)
- Technology adoption/availability and accessibility of inputs
- Financing of the agricultural sector (e.g., credit schemes, collateral guarantees)
- Effectiveness of government policies in agriculture as a whole (e.g., Sustenta) or subsectors
- Impacts and policies to address climate change, including carbon financing and eco-system management

We welcome submissions of studies from both national and international researchers on the topic of the conference. The timetable for the submission process is as follows:

Activity

Proposals of papers received Responses to proposals sent to authors Full draft papers submitted Evaluations of draft papers sent to authors Final papers submitted Conference held

Deadline

31st March 2023 28th April 2023 31st August 2023 22nd September 2023 15th October 2023 November 2023

Proposals for papers to be presented at the conference should be in the form of extended abstracts (or complete draft papers). Proposals should include, as a minimum, the following information: paper title; names and affiliations of all authors; email and telephone contact details; and the primary research question(s), methodology and data sources to be investigated. The CV of the lead author, with a list of (recent) publications, should also be provided.

Submissions of paper proposals, drafts and final versions will be evaluated by a scientific committee composed of academics of international renown and representatives of the partners to the IGM programme.

The lead authors of proposed studies accepted for submission will be invited to sign a contract to produce a final paper, to be considered for presentation at the conference, for which a monetary payment will be offered in line with international norms (min. remuneration of USD 1,000).

Studies may be written in English or Portuguese, with either single or multiple authors. Preference will be given to studies addressing economic and related issues in agriculture, forestry and climate change with some focus on Mozambique. Broader socio-economic or institutional assessments of the agriculture sector and its prospects will also be considered. Submissions from local researchers, especially women, are highly encouraged.

All proposals should be sent to the email address of the IGM Programme (igmozambique@wider.unu.edu) no later than March 31 2023 (12:00, UCT+2).

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