



Jwara Building, West Field
Serrekunda
Banjul, GAMBIA

CALL FOR SIDE EVENTS

3rd African Youth Conference on African Unity and Development Theme: 'The Future Is Now; Youth are Not Too Young to Lead'. 23-26 March 2019, Banjul, The Gambia

1. Call for Proposals

This call for proposals is inviting partner youth organisations and youth development actors to organise side event workshops in alignment with their programmatic area of interest and thematic focus of the 3rd Pan African Youth Conference on African Unity and Development. In accordance with the structure of the conference, side events will be organised on the margins of the pre-two days youth conference on 24th and 25th March 2019. The events are organised with the objective of sharing experiences, best practices, encouraging partnership, building alliances and the capacity of youth to influence policies and practices of their National Governments, the African Union, Regional Economic Communities and other youth development actors on the African continent.

The events can focus on the main theme, one or multiple sub-themes of the conference (Pan Africanism and African Integration: Youth inclusion and participation in Africa's integration using AU Agenda 2063 and UN 2030 SDGs as a spring board; Governance and Empowerment: Youth participation and leadership in Political, Civic and Economic developments at all levels; Irregular migration: Youth Cross-border Migration and Children on the Move; Silencing the Guns: Youth and Peace building; Health and Wellbeing: Reproductive Health and Rights, and Gender-based violence; Climate Change: Environmental Conservation and Governance).

2. Selection criteria

Any entity interested in organising a side event can submit a proposal, but due to space and other considerations, each organiser cannot be involved in more than one side event.

Submission must be on the attached Side Event Request Form, providing a detailed description of the event; organisers and partners; panellists and speakers; and how the event will contribute to the main theme or one or more sub-themes of the conference.

The basic selection criteria include the following:

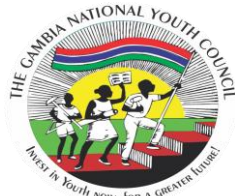
- The inclusiveness of the event, priority will be given to side events organised by two or more partners; and/or number participants sponsored to attend the event;
- How well the side event is aligned to the conference main theme or sub-themes as above or its cross-cutting nature;
- Geographic and gender balance of the speakers and panellists;
- Duration of the side event no longer than 2.5 hours.

3. Responsibility of the organisers

The organisers of the selected side events will be responsible for the following:

- Inviting speakers, panellists, and arrange travel and visas for invited speakers or guests;
- Inviting participants from member States;
- Publicizing the event and invite the media for coverage;
- Cover costs related to the venue, equipment and services; and catering services.

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However, for food it will have to be arranged through the designated caterers of the conference and fully paid by the organiser;

- Provide simultaneous interpretations in English or French.
- Preparing a summary report of the event and sharing it with the Secretariat of the conference;
- Room allocation, sound and projectors will be arranged by the AYC side-events coordinator.

Event organiser will be informed if there event is selected or not after the registration process is completed and a full list of all approved side events will be published on the AYC website.

4. Communication

All queries related to side events should be addressed to the following

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