THEME
21 – 23 OCTOBER 2024, ACCRA, GHANA

INTRODUCTION

The Ghana Institution of Surveyors (GHIS) is proud to host the joint conference for the International Cost Engineering Council (ICEC) and the Africa Association of Quantity Surveyors (AAQS) from 21 - 23 October 2024. The conference is expected to attract over 400 local and international participants from a variety of professions including:

- Quantity Surveyors
- Cost Planners
- Cost Engineers and managers
- Project Managers
- Contract Administrators
- Other allied professions

We look forward to welcoming you to Accra in October 2024. Further details about the Conference can be found at www.icecaaqs2024.com.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Researchers and industry practitioners are invited to submit abstracts for industry and academic presentations for the upcoming ICEC-AAQS 2024 Conference. We are seeking abstracts submissions that will provoke debate, stimulate discussion, offer new ideas, learning and/or encourage the dissemination of research findings. All contributions should be of high quality, original and not published elsewhere.

There are 2 modes of paper presentation in this conference. Interested authors can submit either full-length papers or extended abstracts. All submissions will go through a peer- review process. All accepted full-length papers or extended abstracts will be published in the conference proceedings. The maximum number of submitted papers or abstracts accepted per author (either single or co-author) is three (3). At least one of the authors of a paper should register (by 31 May 2024) and attend the Conference.

TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS

Technical presentations are encouraged from industry professionals on current and future projects, methodologies, and technologies. For this category, an extended abstract needs to be submitted after the abstract acceptance, for inclusion in the conference proceedings.

ACADEMIC PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Academic paper presentations should be based on research outcomes and developments. For this category, a full paper needs to be submitted after the abstract acceptance, for inclusion in the conference proceedings.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM THEMES

Abstracts which cover one or more of the following themes are invited for submission:

- Building Information Modelling (BIM)
- Project Controls/Cost Management
- Law & Contracts
- Project Management
- Sustainability
- Risk Management
- Smart Cities/Smart Infrastructure
- Building Resilience/Post Disaster Reconstruction
- Innovation in Construction

Suitable topical submissions not covered within the above themes may also be considered.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Abstracts should clearly state the purpose, objectives, methods, results and implications/significance of the work. Keywords (no more than 5) should be included. Abstracts should be no more than 350 words. The language of the conference will be English hence all submissions should be in English. Abstracts should be submitted via this email.

Once your abstract has been reviewed, you will be notified of the acceptance of your abstract and be given instructions on how to prepare your paper. Final acceptance will be based on the full-length paper, which if accepted for publication, must be presented at the conference research@icecaaqs2024.com.

We encourage early submission of abstracts and papers to facilitate registration and travel arrangements.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Abstract Submission Deadline: **15 April 2024**
- Notification of abstract acceptance: **30 April 2024**
- Submission of Full Paper Deadline: **31 May 2024**
- Notification of full paper acceptance: **15 June 2024**
- Submission of Final Revised Paper: **30 June 2024**
- Early bird registration: **30 June 2024**
- Registration deadline: **31 August 2024**
- Late registration: **01 September 2024**

For more information or clarifications email research@icecaaqs2024.com.

ABSTRACT TEMPLATE TITLE

There are four fields which are mandatory (Purpose, Design/Method, Findings/Results and Value); the other two (Research limitations/implications and Practical implications) may be omitted if they are not applicable to your paper.

Write concisely and clearly. The abstract should reflect only what appears in the original paper. Abstracts should contain no more than 350 words and provide no more than 5 keywords.

Purpose of this paper (mandatory)

What are the reason(s) for writing the paper or the aims of the research?

Design/methodology/approach (mandatory)

How are the objectives achieved? Include the main method(s) used for the research. What is the approach to the topic and what is the theoretical or subject scope of the paper?

Findings and value (mandatory)

What was found in the course of the work? This will refer to analysis, discussion, or results.

Research limitations/implications (if applicable)

If research is reported on in the paper this section must be completed and should include suggestions for future research and any identified limitations in the research process.

Practical implications (if applicable)

What outcomes and implications for practice, applications and consequences are identified? Not all papers will have practical implications but most will. What changes to practice should be made as a result of this research/paper?

Originality/value of paper (mandatory)

What is new in the paper? State the value of the paper and to whom.

Conclusions: ....

Keywords (no more than 5): ....