



# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## **Theme:** RURAL RESILIENCE - THE ROLE OF COOPERATIVES IN ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE RURAL DEVELOPMENT

In partnership with Land O'Lakes International Development – Cooperative Development Program (CDP) funded by USAID and National Cooperative Confederation of Rwanda (NCCR), University of Lay Adventists of Kigali (UNILAK) is organizing a conference on Agricultural Cooperatives and hereby calls for abstracts related to the theme: **RURAL RESILIENCE - THE ROLE OF COOPERATIVES IN ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE RURAL DEVELOPMENT.**

The full day international conference is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday May 22, 2018** in Kigali, Rwanda.

UNILAK invites interested researchers, to submit abstracts in the field of agricultural cooperatives under the following subthemes:

1. Cooperative governance
2. Social inclusion
3. Food security

Abstracts should not exceed 350 words. All submitted abstracts (in PDF or Microsoft word) should be written in English. Submission implies the willingness of at least one of the authors to participate at the conference once selected to develop the full paper.

### ABSTRACTS MUST INCLUDE:

- Corresponding author's information: including name, institution, education level, address, telephone and email
- Complete list of all authors and their affiliations
- Identification of subtheme applying under

*Authors of the selected abstracts will be contacted regarding development of a full paper which will be presented at the conference and published in the East African Journal of Science and Technology (ejournal.unilak.ac.rw)*

### IMPORTANT DATES

**March 15, 2018:** Deadline for submission of abstracts

**March 30, 2018:** Notification of acceptance of abstracts

**April 15, 2018:** Deadline for submission of full papers

**April 30, 2018:** Release of notice of acceptance for full paper

**May 22, 2018:** Conference

### CONTACTS

Submit abstracts to [research@unilak.ac.rw](mailto:research@unilak.ac.rw) with copy to [amcafer@olemiss.edu](mailto:amcafer@olemiss.edu)

For more information, please contact:

Dr. Anne M. Cafer ([amcafer@olemiss.edu](mailto:amcafer@olemiss.edu)) or

Dr. Rutamu ([rutamu12@gmail.com](mailto:rutamu12@gmail.com)) (+250788759095) or

Mr. Emmanuel Hakizimana (+250788474952) ([hakizaemma@gmail.com](mailto:hakizaemma@gmail.com)) or

Megan Stalheim ([MLStalheim@landolakes.com](mailto:MLStalheim@landolakes.com))

