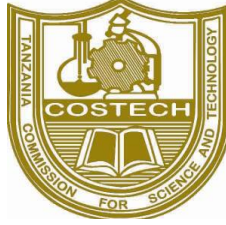


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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE
SIXTH ANNUAL NATIONAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION
CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION**

DATES: 25TH – 27TH JUNE 2018

**THEME: TOWARDS INDUSTRIALIZATION - THE ROLE OF SCIENCE,
TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION**

VENUE: MLIMANI CITY CONFERENCE CENTER

Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH) is an apex organ for coordination of Science, Technology and Innovation in Tanzania. Research and Innovation communication and sharing are among the core activities of the Organization. Each year the Commission organizes an annual Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) conference that brings together researchers, innovators, Industries, policy makers, civil society, media and the general public. The platform is extremely important for exchange of information and experiences among scientists and innovators working in various fields; showcasing and sharing of products and services with policy and decision makers as a means of promoting the application and utilization of science, technology and innovation. This year the theme of the conference is “*Towards Industrialization: The role of science, technology and innovation*”.

The Commission therefore invites abstract submissions for oral presentations, panel discussions, scientific posters and exhibitions. The submissions can fall under any of the categories/subthemes mentioned below

- i. Innovation ecosystem (Innovation as a pathway to industrialization)
- ii. Women entrepreneurship/ innovators
- iii. Contribution of the humanities and social sciences in industrialization
- iv. Human Capital Development (Technical, vocational training and tertiary education including hard and soft skills)
- v. Policy and regulatory framework
- vi. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs), branding, copyrights and patent

- vii. Energy, Water and Extractive industry
- viii. Agribusiness (Leather products, cotton, fisheries products and food security)
- ix. Environment, Public health and Quality Assurance
- x. ICT and Emerging technologies: nanotech; cyber security, mechatronics
- xi. Technology and knowledge transfer
- xii. Technology Development and Commercialization
- xiii. Linkages between R&D, industries and private sectors in research and innovation
- xiv. Indigenous knowledge and technology
- xv. Aviation sciences
- xvi. Biomedical and e-medicine

1. Information to Presenters

All abstract for poster or oral presentations should be submitted by the **30th of May, 2018 23.00 GMT** at sticonference2018@costech.or.tz indicating if it is for an oral or poster presentation. All abstracts must not exceed 400 words including title, introduction, Methodology, key findings and recommendations. Abstracts not received by this date will not be included in the book of abstracts and may not be considered for oral or poster presentation. **Decision of the Organizing Committee will be communicated to authors by 10th June, 2018.** Authors of selected abstracts will be required to cater for their own transport and accommodation to the conference.

2. Information to Exhibitors:

Individuals, organizations or groups wishing to participate in exhibitions should submit abstracts not exceeding 300 words on the aspect(s) to be displayed or submit the plan of what they would like to showcase. The abstract should include: the title, name(s) of exhibitors and a detailed address, background, objectives, functional description, and end-use. Deadline for submitting abstracts is the **30th of May, 2018 23.00 GMT** at sticonference2018@costech.or.tz indicating it is an abstract for exhibition. Abstracts not received by this date will not be considered. **Decision of the Organizing Committee will be communicated to authors by 10th June, 2018.** There will be exhibition booths size 3m by 3m and height of 2.56m (paid for by the organizing committee). Selected exhibitors will be required to cater for their own transport and accommodation to the conference.

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