



# WORLD METEOROLOGICAL DAY

## 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2023

### Call for Abstract



## THE 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ASTROTOURISM

### Promoting Tanzania Destination through Astrotourism and Cultural Heritage

## 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Songwe Hill Motel in Songwe Region in Tanzania

### INTRODUCTION

Ngorongoro Conservation Area Authority (NCAA) in collaboration with The Open University of Tanzania (OUT) is organizing The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Astrotourism: *Promoting Tanzania Destination through Astrotourism and Cultural Heritage* which will be held on Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at Songwe Hill Motel in Songwe Region in Tanzania. The 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference was organized by The Open University of Tanzania in collaboration with the Songwe Regional Administration on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017 in the same region.

This event is one of the series of events towards the commemoration of World Meteorological Day, which is going to take place on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023. **Why Songwe?** The Mbozi meteorite is found in Songwe region 70 kilometers west of Mbeya, off the road to Tunduma, and it weighs 12 tons, making it the world's eighth-largest known meteorite.

### ABSTRACTS ARE INVITED FOR THE FOLLOWING SUB-THEMES

#### Astrotourism Development

- *Astrotourism as a niche for economic development*
- *Features of the Astrotourism*
- *Astrotourism, an opportunity for emerging tourist destination*
- *Link between Astronomy and Tourism*
- *The dark sky: Humankind's cultural heritage*
- *The scientific value of Astronomy*
- *Sky pollution and Protection*

#### Astrotourism and Local Socioeconomic Development

- *Astrotourism and Poverty reduction*
- *Dimensions of Astrotourism in contemporary tourism*
- *Astrotourism and sustainable tourism development*
- *Integration of Astrotourism in the Tourism Industry*
- *Investment in Astrotourism Industry*
- *Local community Awareness and Sensitization on Astronomy*
- *Indigenous knowledge and Astronomy*
- *Environmental impact of Astrotourism*

#### Education, Training and Outreach

- *Asteroids search: Electronic data collection around the world*
- *Astronomy and Education*
- *Challenges of Astrotourism Education*
- *Communication and marketing of Astrotourism*
- *Application of modern science in Astrotourism*
- *Application of Astronomy in daily life*

### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Abstracts should not exceed 250 words and must include;

- Title, sub-theme, names of authors, institution affiliation, e-mail address and cell phone numbers
- Context, Objectives, Methodology, Findings, Implication, Conclusion, Recommendations, and not more than five Keywords.
- To present your paper, the abstract must pass a double-blind peer review first and the decision on the outcome will be communicated to you within 2 weeks. Upon registration, you will be invited as a participant but you will be considered for presentation once your abstract has been accepted.
- Use font type New Times Roman, Size 12 and 1.5 line spacing
- Papers are expected to have a uniform format with a maximum of 20 pages including references, appendices, figures etc.

### CONFERENCE VENUE

The venue is located in Songwe Region, Tanzania about 4.5 Km from Songwe Airport. It is among the leading conference venue in Southern Tourist Circuit in Tanzania with 24/7 security.

The venue is in proximity to the Kitulo National Park which has more than 300 different species of flowers and is nicknamed as "The Garden of God" or "Flowers of Serengeti" due to its rich diversity of rare flowers and other plants as well as opportunities for hiking and waterfalls visits. Also, there is Lake Ngozi, which is the second largest Crater Lake in Africa.

### IMPORTANT DATES

1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023	Abstract submission
15 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Deadline for abstract submission
20 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Deadline for full paper submission

Good papers will be peer reviewed and published in internationally reputable journals, including *Huria Journal* and *African Journal of Economic Review*

### PAYMENTS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH

National Bank of Commerce  
The Open University Consultancy Bureau  
Account No: 011105015143  
Swift Code: NLCBZTX

### REGISTRATION FEE

Participants	US\$ 100 (TZS 240,000)
Students	US\$ 50 (TZS 100,000)

The fee will cater for venue, breakfast, lunch, refreshments, and evening tea only.

### POST CONFERENCE TOUR

Participants will be linked to some credible Tour Operators to visit tourist attractions in Songwe or nearby areas of their choice at their own cost.

### ACCOMMODATION

In Songwe, accommodation rates range from US\$20 - US\$100 including bed and breakfast.

### FOR ANY CONFERENCE QUERIES CONTACT

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### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

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