



**Institute for Environment and Sanitation Studies (IESS),  
University of Ghana**

## **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS AND PAPERS**

**Conference on: Environment, Climate Change and Health  
(ENCLIMAH Conference)  
October 12 and 13, 2022  
University of Ghana, Legon**

**Hybrid Conference - mode of participation is both In-person and  
Virtual**

The environment faces myriads of challenges including rapid loss of forest cover, reduced availability and quality of drinking water, species extinction and loss of biodiversity, to mention few. Globally, 3.2 billion people are affected by land degradation, and it is estimated that 95% of the Earth's land area could become degraded by 2050 (GEF, 2022). Many assessments of global environmental change have painted a consistent negative picture of the state of the global environment and of the impact of human activities. Climate change in particular is identified as a critical global challenge whose impacts are already evident. In the midst of global environmental challenges, global crisis of chronic diseases and failure of public health to stem the rise in highly preventable risk factors have left populations vulnerable to acute health emergencies such as COVID-19. In today's tightly connected world, a disease threat anywhere is a disease threat everywhere. There is therefore the need to sync efforts and share information if humanity is to survive and overcome the various daunting global challenges.

The Conference on: "Environment, Climate and Health" therefore seeks to bring together researchers, academics, policymakers, private sector and civil society groups to discuss and share ideas, research findings and innovative models on relevant issues of development on the thematic areas of the conference as outlined below. Poster sessions would be held in parallel. A plenary session will climax the event.

You are invited to submit an abstract covering any of the following conference themes/topics:

- Climate change impact and adaptation
- Health systems and climate resilience
- Ecosystem health, diseases and climate
- Waste Management (solid & liquid), Sanitation and Hygiene
- Water resources research and management
- Circular economy/Industrial ecology
- Environmental pollution and control
- Land use and Land degradation
- Sustainability concepts and practices
- GIS techniques and applications
- Green architecture and green retrofit

Papers on other topics relevant to the central theme can be submitted

Note that only applicants whose abstracts are accepted will be contacted. Abstracts will be published in a “Book of Abstracts” and all accepted papers will be published in the peer reviewed West African Journal of Applied Ecology (Scopus indexed).

**Abstract submissions are invited for oral FULL PAPER or POSTER presentations. Abstract should have a title and should not be more than 250 words. Up to five (5) key words should be included.**

PAPER – ORAL PRESENTATION	POSTER
Paper sessions will be held in parallel thematic sessions. Each paper will be allocated 15 minutes for oral presentation and audience discussion. A moderator will facilitate the time limits for discussion.	The poster is an effective method for communicating scientific information through informal discussion. Poster presenters will have the opportunity during breaks and a poster session (approximately 1-1.5 hours)
Paper should not exceed 8,000 words including references (Time New Roman, 12, 1.5 line spacing, 2.5 cm margins)	Poster size A0 in portrait format
Session reference and time of presentation will be communicated one week before the conference.	Poster titles will be placed on poster boards under thematic categories, to guide the placement of posters on the morning of the conference (7 – 8:15 am)

**Submissions are ONLY accepted by e-mail to: [iess.2022conf@ug.edu.gh](mailto:iess.2022conf@ug.edu.gh)**

- All Abstracts/papers must be submitted and presented in English.
- Abstracts/papers should be based on any of the conference topics listed.
- Abbreviations should be defined the first time they appear in your text. Example: GES (Ghana Education Service), before being used as an abbreviation only. Please, do not define or use abbreviations in the title.
- Abstracts should not exceed 250 words. Authors should indicate their presentation preference: oral or poster in the subject line of their email. The Programme/conference committee reserves the right to decide on the final allocation and presentation method.
- After submitting your abstract/paper, you will receive an email with your abstract ID.
- If you wish to make any corrections to an already submitted abstract before the abstract submission dead line, or make any enquiry, you should send an email to: [iess.2022conf@ug.edu.gh](mailto:iess.2022conf@ug.edu.gh), Tel: +233 (0) 020 885 7663

If you wish to be a session chair, please indicate the topic area in which you are interested and email your request directly to the conference organizing committee chair: [skoranteng@staff.ug.edu.gh](mailto:skoranteng@staff.ug.edu.gh)

#### **Deadline dates to note:**

- Abstract Submission Deadline: **August 27, 2022**
- Notification of Acceptance of abstracts: **September 4, 2022**
- Final Paper Submission Deadline: **September 18, 2022**
- Notification of acceptance of final paper: **October 2, 2022**
- Your confirmation of participation in the conference: **October 9, 2022**
- Submission of PowerPoint version of your presentation: **October 9, 2022**
- Registration: Pre-registration online, **October 9, 2022**
- Conference Date: October **12-13, 2022**

#### **REGISTRATION FEES**

<b>Presenters/ Participants</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Amount</b>
UG Participants	Faculty	GH¢100
	Students	GH¢50
Local Non-UG students		GH¢100
Other Local Participants		GH¢200
International Participants	Faculty	\$100
	Students	\$50

Limited funds are available to waive the registration fees of students on application.