

## Call for Papers

# “Aviation in Africa”

Bremen 21<sup>th</sup> June 2018

G.A.R.S., City University of Applied Sciences Bremen and Bergamo University are pleased to announce the second workshop on Aviation in Africa to be held on the 21<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at the University of Applied Sciences Bremen in conjunction with the 15<sup>th</sup> Aviation Student Research Workshop”, 22 and 23 June 2018<sup>1</sup>. We have agreed on a regular workshop series. Bergamo University will host the next workshop. We are happy to confirm the following keynote speakers:

- Prof. Ken Button, George Mason University, USA
- Dr Eric Njoya, University of Huddersfield, UK

While a vast literature exists on a broad-range of topics related to air transport in other regions of the world, comparatively little attention has been paid to aviation in Africa. Although in recent years an increasing number of studies have focused on air transport liberalisation and airline network development in Africa, the literature has devoted little attention to aviation infrastructure and airline business strategies on the continent. This is surprising given that during the past fifteen years the continent has witnessed a remarkably rapid growth in both intra and intercontinental air traffic.

We try to avoid a too narrow focus on air transport and like to discuss air transport in the wider context of development in particular transport, tourism, trade and economic integration.

The objectives of the workshop are to:

- Discuss the current state of commercial aviation in the region;
- Identify the key variables that help shape the current air transport environment;
- Contribute towards a deeper understanding of air transport in Africa.
- Assess the role of air transport in a modal transport perspective
- Discuss the role of air transport as part trade, tourism and economic integration

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<sup>1</sup> Call see GARS website

### Topics of interest

- Aviation and development
- The role of air cargo
- Economic regulation and aeropolitics
- Aviation and trade in Africa
- Aviation and tourism in Africa
- Airline franchising, alliances and joint ventures
- Airline and airport finance in Africa
- Distribution and marketing models
- The role of LCCs in Africa
- Airline competition in Africa
- Airline network development in Africa
- Commercialisation of airports in Africa
- The role of gateways on the continent
- Aviation safety in Africa
- Air Traffic Services
- Comparative studies and case studies
- Political economy of air transport, trade and economic integration

The above themes are not intended to be restrictive, and we encourage contrasting and critically engaged perspectives fitting within the broad theme of Aviation in Africa.

### Important Dates

Abstract submission deadline: 30th May 2018 (Early submission is encouraged and will be notified within a few days).

Notification of acceptance: 06 June 2018

Deadline for final paper submission: 21 June 2018

Please send an extended abstract (one page, about 300 words, including a short CV) until 30th May 2018, as pdf- or word-file to: [shravana.kumar67@gmail.com](mailto:shravana.kumar67@gmail.com)

Venue: The workshop will take place at the University of Applied Sciences Bremen, Werderstr. 73

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