

21<sup>st</sup> International Conference of Ethiopian Studies (ICES21) – Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia

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## **Second Circular for ICES21 Call for Panels**

The 21<sup>st</sup> International Conference of Ethiopian Studies (ICES) will be held at Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia from September 28<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. This conference will bring together researchers from diverse backgrounds, all with a focus on Ethiopia and the region.

The Organizing Committee now welcomes specialized academic panels organized by small groups of Ethiopian Studies researchers from around the world. The conference will include general thematic panels offered by the conference organizers as well as specialized panels offered by colleagues based on approval by the ICES21 organizing committee. The organizing committee will review the submissions and decide whether to accept, reject, or make changes based on academic criteria and organizational concerns.

Panels should be organized around the long-established academic disciplines of the conference, which are listed in the table below. Cross-institutional and international panel discussions are highly encouraged. The organizing committee will prioritize proposals that address the conference theme from interdisciplinary perspectives.

Panel proposals should have to meet the following requirements:

### **1) Title and Abstract**

The panel proposal should include a title that succinctly describes the panel's theme, as well as an abstract of no more than 400 words and no less than 200 words. The abstract should include a brief summary of the panel's main point. A panel's theme must be broad enough to welcome several papers contributing various aspects of the theme from different perspectives, but specific enough to allow concentration on one strongly interconnected string of ideas and questions.

### **2) Responsibility of Panel Organizers**

Panel organizers are expected to encourage potential participants to participate in their panels. While accepted panels will be open for registration on the ICES21 website, potential participants can freely choose which panel they would prefer. Accepted panel proposals will then be submitted to the panel organizers for approval or rejection. The final selection of paper presenters will be done by the ICES21 organizing committee.

### **3) Funding of Panels**

Because the ICES21 is a large conference with over 300 scholar-participants from various countries around the world, providing funding for participation is a major challenge. As a result, accepted panel organizers should seek funding or co-funding for panel participants or assist in the identification of funding mechanisms. The availability of funding, however, is not a final criterion for accepting or rejecting a panel proposal. The ICES21 organizing committee will assist the process by providing information and necessary letters, as well as identifying funding mechanisms both within and outside of Ethiopia.

#### 4) Submission Guidelines

Submit through:	Apply through ICES21's official website: <a href="http://ices21.aau.edu.et/">http://ices21.aau.edu.et/</a> ; Alternatively, you can email your panel proposals to the organizing committee via <a href="mailto:ices21@aau.edu.et">ices21@aau.edu.et</a> (add "panel submission" in the subject line).
Format	MS Word, PDF, or any other compatible formats
Discipline	Panels should be in the field of social science and humanities with a focus on Ethiopia and the region in general, with focus on following disciplines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Archaeology, paleoanthropology &amp; heritage</li><li>• Arts &amp; architecture</li><li>• Education &amp; pedagogical science</li><li>• Economics &amp; development studies</li><li>• History of the states and peoples of the region (political and cultural)</li><li>• Human geography, environment &amp; ecology</li><li>• Law, governance &amp; political economy</li><li>• Philology, literature, linguistics, &amp; media studies</li><li>• Political science &amp; migration studies</li><li>• Population &amp; gender studies</li><li>• Social anthropology &amp; cultural studies</li><li>• Studies of religion</li></ul>

#### 5) Key Dates

- Submission Opens: 15 March 2022
- Deadline for panel submissions: 15 April 2022
- Notification of acceptance/rejection 25 April 2022

The organizing committee kindly asks all the recipients of this e-mail to spread the news about the 21<sup>st</sup> ICES among anyone who might be interested in coming.

Feel free to contact the organizing committee in case of any additional questions or comments: [ices21@aau.edu.et](mailto:ices21@aau.edu.et).

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