11th ACIST, 2025

Theme: *Information Systems in an Emerging Africa*

Dates: 28th to 29th August 2025

Venue: Accra, Ghana and/or Virtual

Local Organizer: Ghana Institute of Management & Public Administration (GIMPA), Ghana (https://www.gimpa.edu.gh)

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Call for Papers

Information Systems have contributed significantly to the emergence of African countries from socio-economic depths to current heights, and to greater heights imagined for the future. Digital technologies have either automated or transformed activities such as trade, sales, marketing, production, research, teaching, learning, healthcare, transportation, agriculture, justice, journalism, and security in Africa across regional, national, organizational, societal, group, and individual levels. But what challenges have been experienced and overcome in these automation and transformation processes? How have digital technologies affected the historical, cultural, philosophical and linguistic dimensions of Africa? What lessons can we learn from various countries in order to enrich our understanding and knowledge?

These questions are very relevant due to the expanding role of Information Systems in shaping Africa's emergence. We can look forward to experience greater integration of digital technologies into every fabric of African lives. Hence, we need to gain more practical and theoretical insights into interesting phenomena such as user behaviour, platform ecosystems, business intelligence, service innovation, precision agriculture, digital governance, mobile payments, machine learning, digital inclusion, gig employment, technostress, online collaboration, virtual teamwork, AI augmentations, telemedicine, and digital entrepreneurship.

We are excited to announce the Call for Papers for the 11th African Conference on Information Systems and Technology (ACIST) under the theme *Information Systems in an Emerging Africa*. This theme emphasizes the impactful role of Information Systems in African emerging economies, and opens up to exploration of diverse digital and social realities in various contexts. Since its inception, ACIST has brought together a diverse cohort of scholars to develop knowledge of Information Systems in Africa and forge a collective path toward an African future where its people are digitally empowered with realized human aspirations.

To make ACIST 2025 successful, we are inviting scholars and practitioners to share ideas, based on research, about *Information Systems in an Emerging Africa* from many different theoretical, philosophical, policy and practical perspectives. We invite you to participate by submitting completed papers, research-in-progress papers, posters, panel discussion topics, and exhibition posters on topics which include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Digital Innovation
- Artificial intelligence systems
- Sustainable (Green) ICTs
- ICT and Organisational Structuring
- Smart Devices and Mobile Ecosystems
- Smart Networks and Collaborations
- Information Systems Strategy
- Digital Society, Knowledge and Identity
- ICT Curriculum and Education
- Philosophy & Methods in IS Research

- Digital Platforms and Smartness
- Ubiquitous and pervasive computing
- Big Data and Business Intelligence
- Cloud and Smart Computing
- Smart Cities & Wireless Communications
- Smart Collaborations & Crowdsourcing
- Digital transformation
- Information and Computer Security
- Decision Support Systems
- Human Behaviour and ICT

- ICT and Social Inclusion/Exclusion
- ICT-Enabled Services

Paper submissions will be subjected to double-blind reviews by at least two Programme Committee members. Accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings with **ISSN 2467-8988**; and will be considered for further review and publication in the ***African Journal of Information Systems*** (www.ajisonline.com).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

28th to 29th August 2025	Conference Days
31st March 2025	Call for Submissions
22nd Jun 2025	Deadline for Submission of Full Papers, Research-in-Progress, Posters, Panel Discussion Topics, Exhibition Requests
20th July 2025	Notification of acceptance or rejection of Full Papers, Research-in-Progress Posters, Panel Discussion Topics, Exhibition Request
3rd August 2025	Deadline for submission of Camera-ready Papers

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