



KNIC4

REINVIGORATING THE PAN-AFRICAN INTELLIGENTSIA:

*Developing Organizations and Institutions
Committed to Serving African People*

FOURTH BIENNIAL KWAME NKRUMAH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



With its theme “**Reinvigorating the Pan-African Intelligentsia: Developing Organizations and Institutions Committed to Serving African People**” the KNIC4 has as its first aim the amassing of intellectual, academic, and technological, reports and proposals addressing the challenges facing African people globally.

KNIC4 will afford participants an opportunity to share research and ideas on the realities, challenges, and strategies for developing the Pan-African intelligentsia in the age of globalization, with a particular focus on ways of impacting and influencing institutions/organizations of people of African descent for the development of Africans everywhere. Finally, the conference will clarify the role of the Pan-African intelligentsia in informing strategies for African development and integration into the world economy.

This year’s conference is a sequel to, and builds on, the very successful inaugural Kwame Nkrumah International Conference (KNIC) held at Kwantlen Polytechnic University in the summer of 2010 the 2nd Biennial KNIC held at KNUST in the fall of 2012, and KNIC3 held again at Kwantlen Polytechnic University in 2014. KNIC4 takes off from where the first three conferences ended by seeking to enhance Pan-African agency through cutting edge research and innovative ideas on Pan-African development within context of 21st century global trends.

KNIC4 invites submissions from scholars, graduate and undergraduate students, Pan-African organizers, African government personnel, as well as members of Non-Governmental Organizations and Civic Society Organizations (NGOs and CSOs).

Recommended Presentation Topics:

- **Institutional issues**
 - Assessing educational institutions and the Pan-African Personality
 - Assessing social institutions and the Pan-African Personality
 - Assessing religious institutions and the Pan-African Personality
 - Assessing economic institutions and the Pan-African Personality
 - Assessing political institutions and the Pan-African Personality
 - Developing the African Intelligentsia into the Pan-African Intelligentsia
 - The mission and objectives of the Pan-African University
 - Curricular issues facing Pan-African curricula
- **Contemporary challenges**
 - The limitations of non-viable economies and nation-states
 - Eurocentric hegemony and African recolonization
 - Sinocentric hegemony and the side effects of 'soft-power'
 - Proxy wars on the African homeland and the devaluation of Black Lives
 - Africans and the Global Police Apparatus
- **Future recommendations**
 - Building liberated zones that engender the Pan-African Intelligentsia
 - Science and Technology for Pan-African development
 - Political and Economic models for Pan-African unity
 - Supportive programs for Pan-African culture generators

Paper Abstract Submission:

Abstracts of approximately 250 words for papers of 20 minutes' delivery duration -- coupled with suggestions of panels consisting of 3 panelists each -- are welcome and should be e-mailed, with a short bio-note (50 words) contact address, and one to three keywords related to the area of research to: Dr. D. Zizwe Poe, nkrumahnet@gmail.com no later than March 15, 2016, final notification of selection to be communicated by April 30, 2016.

Although efforts are being made to secure some funding for the encouragement and assistance of participation by scholars from outside North America and Europe -- especially young scholars -- the organizers are unable, at this time, to offer financial support. Therefore, as of now, participants are responsible for their own expenses until later notified otherwise. Participants from countries requiring a visa to enter the United States of America must make arrangements to secure them before they travel to the USA.

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