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ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 6[™] AFTRA TEACHING AND LEARNING IN AFRICA CONFERENCE AND 8[™] ROUNDTABLE, MAY 22-26, 2017 (KINGDOM OF LESOTHO 2017)

AFTRA hereby announces the 6th Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference and 8th Roundtable scheduled for **May 22-26**, **2017** in **Lesotho**. The **Conference** provides opportunities for exchange of best practices between AFTRA (the regulators of the teaching profession in Africa) and members of the global community particularly the academia, Information and Communication Technology experts, employers of teachers, teachers unions, governments, international development partners, non-governmental organisations, and the general public.

The Roundtable serves as the AFTRA's Annual General Meeting (AGM) and holds after the conference. The Roundtable is open to all AFTRA member organisations which include the teaching regulatory agencies, teacher education institutions, teachers unions, international development partners and civil society organisations. Also, AFTRA is the Africa Regional Branch of the International (World) Forum of Teaching Regulatory Authorities (IFTRA www.iftra.org), therefore, the AGM is equally open for delegates from the world body.

Important dates

- Monday, May 22: Arrival of AFTRA members and conference participants
- Tuesday-Wednesday, May 23-24: 6th AFTRA Teaching and Learning in Africa Conference
- Thursday, May 25: Tour/cultural eve (for AFTRA members & conference participants)
- Friday, May 26: Departure of conference participants & 8th AFTRA Roundtable
- Saturday, May 27: Departure of AFTRA members

Venue of Conference and Roundtable

Avani Lesotho Hotel, Hilton Road, Maseru, Lesotho.

Patron, Host and Partners

The Patron and host of the Conference and Roundtable is the Minister of Education, Dr. Mahali Phamotse, MP, Kingdom of Lesotho while partners are the National University of Lesotho and the Lesotho College of Education.

Theme of the Conference

Producing a new society through education

Sub-themes:

- 1. Teaching for global transformation: Conceptual framework
- 2. African philosophy of teaching, education and globalisation
- 3. Anatomy of the global society and educational implications
- 4. Teaching for inclusivity in Africa
- 5. Teaching in Africa the journey so far
- 6. Teacher professionalism and status comparison of countries
- 7. Repositioning teaching as pivot of the education system
- 8. Prospects of African teacher qualification frameworks
- 9. Enhancing teacher mobility/Teachers without borders
- 10. Teacher professionalism networks and mutual benefits
- 11. Models of teacher education and applicability in Africa
- 12. Educational psychology of the new generation
- 13. Sociological imperatives of education in Africa
- 14. E-teaching and e-learning issues
- 15. Boosting teaching and learning resources
- 16. Measurement of learning outcomes international paradigms and strategies
- 17. Bridging the school-industry divide
- 18. Teaching and learning in conflict-bound parts of Africa
- 19. Issues of terrorism, refugees and internally displaced persons: Implications for education
- 20. Linkages among educational and humanitarian organisations
- 21. Equalisation of educational opportunity
- 22. Improving instructional teaching and management of schooling in Africa
- 23. Education stakeholder participation in policy formulation

Submission of conference papers

Empirical and theoretical papers are invited from interested scholars. The paper must follow these terms:

- Be a full paper (not abstract);
- Written in English or French language;
- Title of paper must be in capital letters followed by name of author(s), their institutions and email addresses with initial capitals;
- Papers must have abstract followed by keywords.
- Format: Microsoft Word;
- Pages 15 maximum including references;
- One-and-half spacing;
- *Font: Times New Roman;*
- Font size: 14 & bold for title of paper, 12 & bold heading of sections, and 12 for body of paper
- Citations and references must follow the American Psychological Association (APA) style

The papers should be sent to the AFTRA Executive Director (Academic) by **March 17**, **2017** at the latest via the email: drsteve44@gmail.com and copy thembinkosindhlovu@gmail.com. The status of the papers will be communicated to authors by April 10, 2017. Authors shall pay a fee of **50 USD** (per paper) latest April 25, 2017 for publication of their papers in the conference proceedings. Authors are however advised to bring Power Point version of their papers to the conference for presentation.

Registration for Conference and Roundtable

Intending participants/delegates should send their names, designation, organisation, physical address, email address and phone numbers to the AFTRA Executive Director (Academic) via drsteve44@gmail.com and copy the AFTRA Executive Director (Administration and finance) thembinkosindhlovu@gmail.com. Thereafter, they will receive invitation letters to the Conference and Roundtable. There shall be a conference fee of **300 USD** per conference participant if paid before the conference or **350 USD** if paid at the conference venue. The conference fee covers conference bag, conference proceedings, certificate of participation, lunch, and cultural eve entertainment. Note that participation in the Roundtable is free of charge. The following are account details for payment of conference registration and paper publication fees:

Account Name: South African Council for Educators

Account No: 1462001653

Name of Bank: Nedbank bank (South Africa)

Address of Bank c/o Embarkment and Hendrik Verwoed Drive Centurion Mall

Country of the Bank: Republic of South Africa

Sort Code: 198765 IBAN: NEDSZAJJ

Hotel Booking and Logistics

For hotel booking and other travel logistics, participants may contact Ms. Maake Sehlabi at sehlabim@yahoo.com, phone +26622325846 or AFTRA Executive Director (Administration), Mr. Themba Ndhlovu, email: thembinkosindhlovu@gmail.com, phone: +27716063311.

Announcers

- Rej brijraj, AFTRA President & Chief Executive Officer, South African Council for Educators
- Ebby Mubanga, AFTRA Secretary General & Registrar, Teaching Council of Zambia.

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