





Call for papers:

The 2023 CA/AC Early Career Scholars' Workshop

7-8 December 2023 in Accra

The Chinese in Africa/Africans in China Research Network invites paper proposals for the next Early Career Scholars workshop in December 2023. The workshop will be held in Accra in collaboration with the Afro-Sino Centre of International Relations (ASCIR). It brings early career scholars together with senior academics in the field of China-Africa studies for two days of intensive feedback (from senior scholars and peers) on pre-circulated texts, mini-lectures on early career challenges and advice, and discussions led by the senior researchers.

The workshop has 12 spots available for early career scholars. In addition to assessing applications based on academic quality, we are looking to put together a diverse group of participants in terms of their institutional affiliations, geographic focus, and research topics. Priority will be given to postdoctoral researchers and PhD candidates in the later stages of their doctoral program.

We have some scholarships to cover expenses for a limited number of participants in the program (flights and three-nights' accommodation). Please indicate in the application if you are applying for such a scholarship. In selecting candidates for the sponsored slots, we seek to get a strong representation from African countries.

Fudan University sponsors participation for early career scholars affiliated with their institution separately. If you are enrolled at or work at Fudan, please send your application to Liu Chunrong (chunrong.liu@ikos.uio.no).

There is no registration fee for the workshop, and lunches and local transportation will be provided. We are also working to get sponsorship for workshop dinners. We can issue invitation letters for visas, upon request; however, participants will need to check on visa requirements and take care of these independently.

Participants commit to submitting a paper for feedback by 1 November 2023. These will be read closely and commented on by two senior scholars. Participants will also be required to set aside time to read and prepare comments on several of the papers submitted by peers ahead of the conference; details will be determined when workshop confirmations are sent out. These commitments ensure that the workshop is a productive and constructive experience for everyone involved.

Successful candidates will receive a certificate of completion. Additionally, selected papers will be included in a Special Issue for submission in *PS: Political Science and Politics* or a comparable outlet addressing the themes emanating from the workshop.

The CA/AC Research Network gratefully acknowledges the generous support from the Ford Foundation for this activity.

Applications should be submitted via this form by 1 June 2023

https://nettskjema.no/a/330846

Successful applicants will be notified of their acceptance by 1 July.

Yoon Jung PARK

Program Director, Africa-China Initiative, Georgetown University and Executive Director, CA/AC Research Network

Lina BENABDALLAH

Assistant Professor, Department of Politics and International Affairs, Wake Forest University and Executive Board Member (Treasurer) CA/AC Research Network

Heidi Østbø HAUGEN,

Professor of China Studies, University of Oslo, and Global Advisory Board Member, CA/AC Research Network

Pamela Adwoa CARSLAKE

Executive Director, Afro-Sino Centre of
International Relations (ASCIR)