

# WAAD 6<sup>th</sup> GLOBAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

New Orleans, Louisiana, USA October 26 – 28, 2023 (3 days)

Dillard University Center for Racial Justice, 2601 Gentilly Blvd, New Orleans, Louisiana 70122.

Theme:

Globalization of Social Justice: Perspectives on Economics, Environment, Health, and Technology



### Part 1: Overview

A 3-Day Conference, with Lunch and Dinner Reception

- Arrive Wednesday, October 25, 2023
- Checkout Sunday, October 29, 2023



#### BENEFITS OF THE WAAD 6th GLOBAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

Your trip to New Orleans, Louisiana, USA is the perfect opportunity to learn about new priorities in the profession and how to address them. The trip offers networking sessions and practical examples of success stories, including a dinner cruise reception for the closing ceremony. Below is the information to help you create a solid business case for why this event is necessary for you or your organization's representative to participate.

#### ABOUT WAAD GLOBAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

The WAAD Global Academic Conference is a significant yearly gathering of scholars, professors, leaders, government officials, university administrators, and socio-economic developers to discuss a broad range of education, research, and economic development topics. The conference and its ancillary events provide attendees with numerous educational opportunities, networking, and sessions highlighting best practice case studies from around the world.

#### What is WAAD?

The World Association for Academic Doctors (WAAD) Inc. is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization. Our mission is to unite academic professionals worldwide in diverse disciplines to create and execute initiatives that will benefit local communities and the entire society. WAAD members are employed in various environmental settings including local, state, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, universities, and other institutions.

#### WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE?

The following category of professionals should attend and participate in the world congress:

- Educators, Professionals, & Scholars
- Policy Makers & Scientists
- Doctoral Candidates
- College Students and Research Scholars
- NGO Leaders/Employees
- Government Stakeholders
- Corporate Managers/Executives
- Business Entrepreneurs
- Foreign Policy
- Policy Makers and Leaders
- Others interested in academic research



#### WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

For the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the WAAD global conference continues to serve as a significant opportunity for academic institutions and economic development practitioners with a common purpose: to share research data, information, and ideas about how to revamp economic well-being and the quality of life for local and international communities. The discussion focuses on addressing issues of creating and retaining jobs, diversity inclusion, cybersecurity, best leadership practices, and various educational opportunities and technologies. The global conference draws attendees from North America and many countries, including Brazil, India, China, Uganda, Ghana, Cameroon, Nigeria, the United Kingdom, Turkey, and Pakistan.

The world today is complicated. Technological advancements have ensured that we are more connected than ever before, yet in many ways, we have never been more disconnected. We are more aware than ever of the problems faced by humanity. Yet the distance provides a sense of security. What we fail to realize is that in a globalized world, every issue is a global one. The year is 2022-2023, yet the social justice issues we face today remind us, and the world, of our troubled past; how we deal with them will decide our future as a leader of social freedoms and the land of liberty. The theme: Globalization of Social Justice: Perspectives on Economics, Environment, Health, and Technology, offer training and skills enhancement benefits with critical issues and ways forward in this post-pandemic era. There are plenary sessions led by academic administrators and industry experts; concurrent sessions offer in-depth discussions and question-and-answer periods on current and future trends, and dinner cruise to tour the host city. The university conference room sessions allow conference presenters and attendees to brainstorm and discuss the challenges they face, the opportunities they are creating for themselves, and what lies ahead for their institutions and communities.

#### QUICK TAKEAWAYS AND BENEFITS

- Professional development in continuing education
- The new normal and sustaining the pandemic era.
- Gain relevant realms of social science, leadership, research, and practice.
- Plenary sessions led by inspiring keynote speakers.
- Contagious Diseases to Global Economies and Racial Inequality conference tracks
- Free Publication in the IJLEBS peer-review Journal Fall 2022 Volume 5
- Gain inspiring insights from executives/academics.
- Discover unique talents & how to use them
- Gain inspiration & access to cutting-edge ideas
- Network among peers & make valuable connections.
- On-ground campus at a University Campus & Settings
- Get a Certificate of participation
- Discussion on best practices & team capacity building



#### **NETWORKING BENEFITS**

There are many networking opportunities during WAAD Global Conference. WAAD hosts a dinner reception that allows participants, members, and professionals to network. There is also a Networking Reception on Thursday to allow attendees, presenters, and members to get to know one another before the conference begins. In addition to networking events, WAAD strategically creates daily agendas that allow peers to engage one-on-one throughout the entire conference.

#### CONFERENCE VENUE:

Dillard University, 2601 Gentilly Blvd, New Orleans, Louisiana 70122.



#### **PUBLICATION OF PAPERS**

All submitted papers for the conference will be peer-reviewed by the conference committee and other independent reviewers (where necessary). Accepted papers for the conference presentation will be published in the Book of Abstracts. Presenters at the conference will also publish the full paper in the International Journal of Leadership Education & Business Studies (IJLEBS) with a United States Library of Congress ISSN and ISBN number (ONLINE & PRINT) after undergoing the peer-review process by the editorial board for (IJLEBS).

#### PRESENTER & ATTENDEE CERTIFICATE:

All Congress presenters and attendees will receive a certificate depending on the participant's role.



#### **CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ORGANIZERS:**

- Dr. Ashraf Esmail (Conference Chair)
- Dr. Syed Adeel Ahmed (Conference Co-Chair)
- Dr. Henrietta Okoro (WAAD President):

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

*	Dr. Ashraf Esmail	*	Dr. Anthony Ogbo
*	Dr. Syed Adeel Ahmed	*	Professor Sylvester Udeorah
*	Dr. Margaret Vianna	*	Dr. JoAnn Fisher
*	Dr. James Hyatt	*	Dr. Uchenna Ukachukwu
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*	Dr. Francisca Mbanaja-Opara	*	Dr. Helen Uzokwe
*	Dr. Victor Ubani	*	Dr. Henrietta Okoro

Experience a spectacular evening in New Orleans aboard the newest vessel on the riverfront, the Riverboat "CITY of NEW ORLEANS."

#### Disclosure

Please note that the tentative program information is subject to change without notice. The final program will be posted 1 week before the congress. Feel free to contact info@waadinc.org for more information.

### **Part 2: Speakers**

We've assembled great academic and industry-leading experts at this 6<sup>th</sup> global conference. Whether you participate in the conference sessions, keynotes, or attendees, you will gain valuable information and education while improving your professional development. **Featured Speakers coming soon...** 



### **Part 3: Call for Papers**

#### International Journal of Leadership, Education, and Business Studies

The *International Journal of Leadership, Education, and Business Studies (IJLEBS)* is an international, peer-reviewed journal designed to provide an ongoing forum for academic researchers and leaders to exchange information, perceptions, and knowledge based on theoretical development and empirical research on leadership, education, business, pure science and social science, engineering, and information technology. Original, high-quality articles that contribute to the advancement of the study of societal peace and global socio-economic and political growth through institutional, national and regional quality leadership are published. The IJLEBS advances the understanding and significance of all academic disciplines. The prominent part of the journal is on interdisciplinary, diverse, and critical analyses of policies and processes in contemporary global, state, and society. IJLEBS encourages new ways of researching and conceptualizing global issues. Manuscripts for publication in IJLEBS are selected through rigorous peer reviews to ensure relevance, readability, originality, timeliness, and quality.

#### **CONFERENCE CALL FOR PAPERS**

We are happy to announce the Call for Papers for the 6<sup>th</sup> WAAD Global Conference on the *Theme: Globalization of Social Justice: Perspectives on Economics, Environment, Health, and Technology.* Topics are focused, but not limited to recent challenges in public and private organizations, academic institutions, modern national economies, diversity inclusion, business enterprises, cybersecurity, and emerging technology issues in relation to race and the pandemic. *In cooperation with: Dillard University Center for Racial Justice, New Orleans, Louisiana, on Thursday, October 26th – Saturday, October 28th, 2023, please consider submitting an abstract to present at the Conference. We proudly hope to have your distinguished name among authors and participants.* 

#### **Call for Papers**

The conference committee and editorial board extend an invitation for papers for the WAAD  $6^{th}$  global conference on October 26 – 28, 2023. Papers submitted and presented will be vetted and peer-reviewed for IJLEBS Journal publication. Professors, instructors, scholars, and professionals are invited to submit abstracts and full papers for keynote speakers, panels, and individual presentations. The authors' guide includes an abstract that summarizes the study and the significance of the work (not exceeding 250 words). Detailed expectations can be accessed via the Authors' Guide and Submission Guidelines. For more information, please contact the Editorial Board at journal@waadinc.org.



**Submission:** Authors are requested to submit their manuscripts via Submit Papers Link below or electronically to <u>journal@waadinc.org</u> with a mention of the journal title (IJLEBS 2023) in the subject line.

#### **RESEARCH CATEGORIES:**

Research paper, empirical practices, and frameworks New theoretical knowledge, issues, and strategies Case studies and concept papers Theoretical discourse of various theories Leadership at the edge of challenges Innovation and creativity Knowledge management and organizational learning Health sciences, human capital, and capacity building Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)

#### **MANUSCRIPT FOCUS AREAS:**

Social Science and Humanities: Leadership, Management, Public Administration, Social Science, Humanities, Sociology, Social Welfare, Anthropology, Development, Psychology, Philosophy, Political Science, History, Education, Women Studies, Childhood Education, etc. Science and Engineering: All kinds of Science and Engineering, Technology and Innovation, Cyber Security, Environmental Studies, Climate Change, Agricultural, Rural Development, etc. Business and Economics: Business and Marketing, Economics, Financial Development, Accounting, Banking, Management, Human Resources, etc.

#### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING DEADLINES:

- Submission of Abstracts for Review Begins: February 20, 2023
- ◆ Conference Registration: OPEN
- Registration Deadline: September 20, 2023
- WAAD Conference Sessions: October 26 28, 2023
- ◆ Paper Submission for IJLEBS Publication: Dec20, 2023
- Peer Review/Resubmission Deadline Mar 20, 2024



### **Part 4: Conference Registration**

#### Registration for the WAAD 6<sup>th</sup> Global Academic Conference is open

#### **Registration Contact**

If you have questions regarding conference registration, please call us at Conference Chair: +1-504-914-2818 Co- Conference Chair: +1-504-913-5465 WAAD President: 202-361-5560 Email: info@waadinc.org

#### **CONFERENCE FEES**

- Non-Member Registration \$150 (Member \$100; Students \$50)
- Royal Carriage Tour/Dinner Reception (\$100)
- International Delegates \$300
- Payment Link: <u>https://waadinc.org/waad/payment-zone</u>

"Hotel cost is not included in conference registration." (Conference fee includes lunch, conference materials, & participation certificate) (All Registration fee is Non-Refundable/Non-Transferrable)

#### **REGISTRATION:** <u>Click to Register</u>

Or Copy/Paste the URL Link: <u>https://waadinc.org/registration</u> Registration Deadline: September 20, 2023

#### **NEAREST AIRPORT:**



Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport New Orleans, LA, USA

HOW TO PAY <u>Click to Make Payment</u> Or Copy/Paste to URL Link:



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#### **International Payments:**

Contact us via <u>finance@waadinc.org</u> for bank wire transfer details, Western Union, or Pay by Phone option via credit and debits cards.

#### **International Participants:**

1. Issuance of official invitation by WAAD Inc., will be sent upon receipt of full conference payment. This will apply towards both an **invitation for attendance** as well as **issuance of the letter of acceptance** for submitted and approved abstracts for presentation, panels, or speakers. Abstract is subject to approval.

2. An additional \$30.00 processing fee will be assessed for all wire transfers.

Re-issue of an invitation letter is subject to a \$50.00 fee as well as the \$30.00 wire transfer fee.

### **Part 5: Accommodation**

#### **ACCOMODATION:**



Homewood Suites by Hilton New Orleans French Quarter
317 N Rampart, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70112
Room Block Available: Group Code WWD – Group Rate: \$159/night
Book by Phone: 800-774-1500
Click on Link to Book Online: World Association for Academic Doctors 2023 Conference
\*Complimentary: Free hot breakfast, ✓ Free WiFi, ✓ Non-smoking rooms, ✓ Outdoor pool

 $\checkmark$  Fitness center,  $\checkmark$  Business center

• Shuttle to/from conference venue: By Dillard University



### **Part 6: Sponsors Opportunities**

## Become a Sponsor for the WAAD 6<sup>th</sup> Global Academic Conference

### Sponsorship Levels

(A) Friends of WAAD \$100-\$499 Verbal Recognition at our WAAD 6th Global Academic Conference

(B) Contributors \$500 - \$999 Everything on (A) plus Company | Organization Name Printed on the Sponsor Listing Page in the Program Book

(C) Silver I \$1000 - \$1,999 Everything on (A+B) plus Company | Organization Logo Recognition and Hyperlink on WAAD's Website

(D) Gold \$2,000 - \$2,999
Everything on (A+B+C) plus
3-minute audio-video presentation, which will be shown at the conference

**(E ) Platinum \$3000 and above** Everything on (A+B+C+D) plus 5-minute audio-video presentation, which will be shown at the conference

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