



CU-ICADI

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
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Covenant University is holding her 1st International Conference on African Development Issues (CU-ICADI) between the 5th and 6th of May 2014 at African Leadership Development Centre, Covenant University, Ota. The University has secured the consent of, and agreement with two Nobel Prize Winners in Economics namely Professor Eric S. Maskin of Harvard University and Professor Thomas J. Sargent of New York University as lead speakers for the Conference.

THEME

"Rising Opportunity for Investors in Africa and the Prospect of an Economic Miracle".

SUB-THEMES

- (a) Key Drivers of Growth for Africa's Economic Transformation;
- (b) Inclusive Growth for a Resilient Middle Class in Africa;
- (c) Economic and Institutional Reforms for Sustainable Growth in Africa; and
- (d) Governance and Economic Transformation in Africa.

DATE May 5-6, 2014

VENUE African Leadership Development Centre,
Covenant University, Canaan Land, Ota,
Ogun State, Nigeria

TIME 10.00 am daily

REGISTRATION Interested participants are required to register online:
www.cu-icadi.covenantuniversity.edu.ng





Confirmed panelists in this two-day conference include: Prof. Jonathan Leape (London School of Economics); Prof. Olu Ajakaiye (African Centre for Shared Dev. Capacity Building); Dr. Sarah Alade (Acting Governor of CBN); Prof. Machiko Nissanke (University of London); Prof. John Ifediora (University of Wisconsin-Platteville, U.S.A.); Dr. Jonathan Aremu (ECOWAS Common Investment Market); Prof. Ade Oyejide (University of Ibadan); Mr A. I. Aig-Imoukhuede (former G.M.D/CEO, Access Bank Plc Nigeria); Mr. Durosinmi-Etti Kehinde (Group Managing Director/CEO, Skye Bank); Dr Kalu Idika Kalu (Former Minister of Finance); Prof. K. S. Adeyemi (Covenant University, Ota) and Dr. B. Okogu (Director-General, Budget Office Abuja).

This Conference is a novel and unparalleled feat which Covenant University is championing by bringing together renowned professionals, academics, policy makers and industrialists that will create awareness and develop critical mass that is aimed at engendering sustainable development in Africa.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The target audience for the Conference include Board Chairmen, Managing Directors/Chief Executives of Companies/Government establishments, Directors, General Managers, and those in the policy formulation positions in Companies/Government establishments.

BENEFITS

Some expected benefits of participation include:

1. A clear understanding of the unfolding investment opportunities in Africa with a prospect for profitable international and national networking opportunities;
2. Exposure to new business and investment ideas/opportunities;
3. Discussions on policy and pragmatic pathways to African Economic miracles and the cash-in opportunities for Government and Corporate establishments; and
4. Exposure to tips on managerial skills, leadership, and profitable corporate governance strategies; among others.

Professor Thomas Sargent

One of the founders of the rational expectations model and the freshwater economics movement, Tom is one of today's most influential economists. Winner of the 2011 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences for his pioneering work in macroeconomics.

In the midst of today's economic crisis, questions are flying thick and fast about the role of government policy and regulation. If you are looking for answers, take a listen to Tom Sargent.



PROF. THOMAS J. SARGENT

Nobel Prize Winner in Economic Sciences, 2011. He is currently a Professor of Economics at New York University

Tom just won the 2011 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences for his pioneering work in macroeconomics over the last forty years. One of the founders of the rational expectations model and the freshwater economics movement, Tom is one of today's most influential economists. He holds the W.R. Berkley Professorship of Economics and Business at New York University and is the author of many significant books and articles, including the classic economic textbooks, *Macroeconomic Theory and Dynamic Economic Theory*.

The crucial insight behind rational expectations is this: people make decisions based on

a reasonable mental model of the economy, and, crucially, based on their understanding of the government's economic policies. This means that, since consumers and investors adjust their behaviors whenever the government shifts policies, these policies rarely have their intended effect. It's an insight that revolutionized economics in the post-Keynesian era, and it continues to dominate economic thinking today.

Tom's statistical insights are legendary, as are his warmth and sensitivity as a mentor. He can share both with you in his lectures. In such uncertain times, it's good to have a guide and Tom is one of the best.

Professor Eric S. Maskin

Eric Maskin is probably best known for his work on the theory of mechanism design, for which he shared the 2007 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics. He has made contributions to many other areas of economics as well, including game theory, the study of intellectual property rights, and political economy.

Harvard University, Ph.D. 1976; Jesus College, University of Cambridge, Research Fellow 1976–77; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Faculty 1977–84; Harvard University, Professor 1985–2000; Institute for Advanced Study, Albert O. Hirschman Professor 2000–11; Guggenheim Fellowship 1980–81; Sloan Fellowship 1983–85; American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Fellow; British Academy, Corresponding Fellow; Econometric Society, Fellow (President 2003); European Economic Association, Fellow; Game



PROF. ERIC S. MASKIN

Nobel Prize Winner in Economic Sciences, 2007. He is currently the Adams University Professor at Harvard University.

Theory Society, President 2010–; Jesus and St. John's Colleges, University of Cambridge, Honorary Fellow; National Academy of Sciences, Member; Royal Academy of Economics and Finance (Spain), Fellow; Economics Letters, Editor 1992–; Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences 2007; Eric Kempe Award 2007; Harvard University, Centennial Medal 2010.

PANELISTS



PROF. J. LEAPE
*London School
of Economics*



PROF. MACHIKO NISSANKE
University of London



PROF. O. AJAKAIYE
*African Centre for Shared
Dev. Capacity Building*



DR. SARAH O. ALADE
*Acting Governor, Central Bank
of Nigeria (CBN)*



PROF. ADE OYEJIDE
University of Ibadan, Nigeria



PROF. J. IFEDIORA
*University of Wisconsin
-Platteville, USA*



DR. JONATHAN AREMU
*ECOWAS Common
Investment Market*



MR. ALEX OTI
*Managing Director,
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MR. A.I. AIG IMOUKHUEDE
*Former GMD/CEO,
Access Bank*



MR. DUROSINMI-ETTI KEHINDE
*Group Managing Director/CEO
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DR. KALU I. KALU
*Former Minister of
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PROF. K. S. ADEYEMI
*Covenant University,
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DR BRIGHT OKOGUN
*Director General,
Budget Office, FRN, Abuja*

CONFERENCE FEES

Conference participation fee is NGN250,000 for participants resident in Nigeria, and US\$1,500 for international participants. This fee covers conference kits, tea breaks and group lunch for the conference duration as well as dinner at the end of the conference. The fee excludes accommodation charges.

ACCOMMODATION

The Covenant University Guest House and other decent hotels around the Conference venue have been booked for this event. Interested participants should indicate intentions as early as possible.

TRANSPORTATION

For ease of access to Covenant University, transportation services from the Airport to and from the Conference venue by bus and helicopter services have been arranged at moderate charges for interested participants.



Covenant University Guest House



Diners in CU Guest House Restaurant

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Participants are expected to make their own personal accommodation arrangement. Please see the information supplied below for nearby Hotels

S/N	NAMES OF HOTELS /GUEST HOUSES	RATES	ROOM	TYPE	(PER NIGHT)		
1	Covenant University Guest House +2348035709715	Standard Rooms (64) N10,000	Mini Suites (10) N15,000	Executive Suites (6) N30,000	Deposit N2,000		
2	Camp House (Within Canaan Land) +2347010629184	Standard Room (96) N4,500	Single Room (Hostel Type) (120) N1,500	Executive Room N6,300	Deposit N2,000		
3	P.M.C. Hotel (3 minutes drive from Canaan Land) +2348023054616	Deluxe Room,N4,200	Standard Room N5,200	Standard Room N8,709	Royal Suite N7,350	Presidential N10,500	
4	Temperance Hotel (3 minutes drive from Canaan Land) +2347082060519	Business Suite N17,325	Executive Room N10,972	Single Executive Deluxe N18,500			
5	Grand-Bank Link Hotels (2 minutes drive from Canaan Land) +2348033352813	Standard Executive N13,500	Double Deluxe N15,500	Executive Senior	Executive Deluxe N22,500	Super Deluxe N25,000	
6	Prowess Hotel & Suites LTD, Iju. (6 minutes drive from Canaan Land) +2348102069856	Standard Room (6) Senior Standard Room (8) N8,000 N8,500	Executive Standard Room 1(15) N10,500 Executive Senior Standard Room 2 (5) N10,000	Standard Room 3 (10) N11,000	Queens Deluxe (2) N12,000	Diplomatic Suites (3) N19,000	Presidential Suites (2) N27,000

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The University hereby solicits the participation of your reputable organization to sponsor as many of your staff as possible.

While thanking you sincerely for your consideration, we look forward to meeting with you or your representative at the conference.

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DR. DAVID OYEDEPO
 Chancellor, Covenant University

Host:
PROFESSOR C. K. AYO
 Vice-Chancellor, Covenant University