SOCIAL WORK CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 25 – 27TH 2017 (SWC 2017). CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

The department of social work at the University of Botswana in conjunction with Erfurt University, Germany is pleased to announce social work conference to be held in Gaborone, Botswana on October 25 – 27, 2017

THEME: Social Work, Human Security and Sustainable Development in sub-Saharan Africa

Sub-themes will include:

- Social work and human security
- Political security
- Sustainable development
- Social security
- Human Rights Based approach
- Social development
- Corruption
- Threats to human security
- Economic security
- Migration
- Environment and human security
- Food security
- Social work in Africa
- Tourism and families in Africa
- Human trafficking

Please, indicate your preference in terms of the above

CALL FOR PAPERS: Abstracts are invited on the above theme and sub-themes by researchers, academicians, policy makers and analysts, PhD students, and specialists in the
field of human security and human rights. The official language of the conference will be English without any official translation for the plenary, panel, and poster presentations.

**ABSTRACTS:** Abstracts should be submitted in English as an e-mail attachment word document by **February 28, 2017.** Acknowledgement of selected abstracts will be made by April 15th, 2017. Selected papers from the conference will be published. Abstracts should include the following details:

- MS Word or Times Roman, 12 point font
- Author’s name (names), address, telephone number, and e-mail address
- Title
- Oral or poster presentation
- Audio-visual equipment (indicate if needed)
- Abstracts should not exceed 300 words

**COMPLETED PAPERS:** Completed papers for the conference must be received by **August 15th, 2017.** Please note that the papers should be in Microsoft Word for Windows; Times New Roman 12 with left margin and right margin 3 centimetres and 2.5 centimetres respectively. The paper should be double spaced.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

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**KEY NOTE SPEAKERS:** The Conference Organising Committee will invite prominent scholars and personalities of diverse backgrounds as keynote speakers. The conference will also provide opportunities for roundtable discussion on related topics and research collaboration.
**VENUE:** The conference will be held at the AVANI Hotel, International Conference Centre, in the capital city of Gaborone.

**FEES AND ACCOMMODATION:** The registration fee will be US $350.00 per person for international delegates from the developed world, US $300.00 for participants from developing countries, and US $250.00 for students. Late registration will attract a penalty of US $20.00 in addition to the normal rate for the category. The registration fee does not include accommodation but covers lunch, tea, venue, and related costs during the conference. Delegates will find their own accommodation from the list provided by the organising committee or by themselves. The organising committee will gladly help with information on accommodation.

**BANK DETAILS:** To be provided

**TRANSPORT:** There will be paid transport to and from the conference centre at designated times. Information will be provided to delegates requiring personal transport.

**INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS:** Groups/Associations planning to meet after the conference should indicate in advance the type of assistance required

**ABOUT US:** Department of Social Work, University of Botswana. Offers professional programmes in social work at Diploma, Bachelor’s, Master’s, and Doctoral level. These programmes are constantly reviewed to ensure relevance.

The Department has a vibrant, innovative, and dedicated staff complement of 17 members specialised in various fields of social work including clinical, social policy, and social development.

**THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE:** Prof L-K Mwansa (Conference Chair), Prof R. Mupedziswa, Dr M. Rankopo, Dr O. Jankey, Dr T. Moroka, and Mr K Jongman (Conference Secretary), Department of Social Work, University of Botswana, web-site: conferences.ub.bw

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**BANK DETAILS:**

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