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# 5<sup>TH</sup> AfHEA BIENNIAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

THEME:

**Securing PHC for all: the foundation for making progress on UHC in Africa.**

VENUE:

Kempinski Hotel  
Gold Coast City  
ACCRA-GHANA

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

INDIVIDUAL ABSTRACTS: AUGUST 31, 2018 | ORGANISED SESSIONS: NOVEMBER 30, 2018



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## WHO ARE WE?

The African Health Economics and Policy Association (AfHEA) is a bilingual non-political and non-profit making association, inaugurated in March 2009. The overall mission of AfHEA is to contribute to the promotion and strengthening the use of health economics and health policy analysis in achieving equitable and efficient health systems and improved health outcomes in Africa, especially for the most vulnerable populations.

## OUR MISSION

Better and equitable health for Africans through better policies and efficient use of resources.

## OBJECTIVES

AfHEA's objectives are to:

- Be a forum for information sharing and exchange among those working in health economics and related fields in Africa;
- Promote the development of health economics capacity within the African region, with particular emphasis on supporting wherever possible the needs of lower income countries to train and retain such experts;
- Promote the production and dissemination of high quality research findings by African health economists and health policy analysts; Promote the appropriate use of health economics and policy analysis tools within evidence-informed health sector decision making in Africa;
- Support health policy development and advice to policy makers and health partners in African countries on viable options for equitable health care financing;
- Represent the interests of African health economists and health policy analysts in relevant international forums (such as the International Health Economics Association)

## OUR VISION

- To promote and strengthen health economics and policy analysis in order to improve health outcomes
- To foster networking and information sharing among health economists and policy analysts
- To support advocacy around the use and importance of health economics in Africa

## OUR MEMBERSHIP

We are approximately 300 health economics, financing and policy experts from African countries residing within and outside the continent with primary assignments within all leading development partner organizations, academic institutions, CSO bodies and the private sector.

## OUR RECORD:

*AfHEA has provided support to key partners and implemented several projects namely:*

- Universal Health Coverage (UHC) Project supported by IDRC, RF and WHO-AFRO. In 7 workshops, this project trained over 150 people on UHC Principles and Implementation and conducted a survey on UHC in 19 sub-Saharan African Countries. On the AfHEA website, the project also disseminated Scientific literature and research works in health economics, financing and policy and 'grey literature' in both French and English languages. All these are with special reference to UHC for Global and Country benefits, as well as for use by researchers, policy makers and practitioners, hence a cost effective means to access targeted research materials and content
- Health Financing and PHC Improvement Project with funding from Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Participation in Communities of Practice on Social Health Insurance, Results based Financing, Performance based contracting, Governance, etc. in collaboration with sub-regional institutions such as WAHO, UEMOA etc on UHC capacity-building in West Africa
- Facilitation of national stakeholder workshop on financial access for the Government of Nigeria
- Organising of 4 major Biennial Scientific Conferences; our 2016 conference in Rabat Morocco was attended by over 250 people from 42 countries worldwide
- AU Ministers of Health Conference in May 2009 -technical advice
- AU member states Ministries of Health - health financing strategies
- providing experts to development partners including USAID Projects, P4H etc.
- Support for stakeholder workshop on NHIS one-time premium to the Government of Ghana
- Support to the Government of Ghana on the NHIS Review Process