



International Conference 2019

Harnessing Scientific, Technological Innovations and Entrepreneurship for Sustainable Development in Africa and Asia

Innovations coupled with entrepreneurs in Science and Technology are essentially needed for realizing the UN goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. For that matter, appropriate, affordable, simple and easy to use technologies should be generated and potential entrepreneurs should be motivated and supported through skill development and financial assistance by national governments and international agencies for economic transformation and sustainable development in Africa and Asia. Science Technology Innovations and Entrepreneurships can increase the efficiency, effectiveness, impact and complement the efforts of government and institutions for socio-economic and environmental benefits under climate change.

Several innovations and green technologies, bio-technologies, agri-technologies developed and spread around the world over the last few decades, have helped improving crop growth and health, establishing enterprises in agriculture, food and feed processing, health/hygiene, infrastructure and civic amenities in rural and urban settings. Digital technologies support almost free and fast flow of ideas, knowledge and data offering opportunities for collaborative and open approaches to innovation in Science, Technology and entrepreneurship for inclusive growth. In that context, it is important to have visionary leadership, a pragmatic action

plan integrating social, economic and environmental imperatives, and commensurate science and technology innovations and entrepreneurs for holistic development. A strong regulatory environment, including corporate law and intellectual property, will also encourage the risk-taking required to innovate.

Keeping above facts and pious goals in view, the HAWK University of Applied Sciences and Arts, the International Foundation for Sustainable Development in Africa and Asia (IFSDAA) are jointly organizing this international conference in cooperation with the Afro - Asian Studies Promotion Association (AASF) and the Society for Sustainable Agriculture and Resource Management (SSARM). This year's conference also marks the 60th anniversary of AASF founded in 1959 and since then building up academic networks for sustainable development and delivering services to students.

Policy planners, researchers, scholars and NGOs in science & technology, agriculture, bio-technology, health care, economics, environment, skill development and entrepreneurship streams are welcome to participate. The organizers will be happy to welcome the participants to the conference venue HAWK University of Applied Sciences and Arts and to the AASF center at Mahatma Gandhi House, both in Goettingen, Germany.