

## **Call for Papers Annual Conference Magazine**

The 26<sup>th</sup> ICS Annual International Conference to be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> August 2023 at **Sarova Whitesands Beach & Resort Spa, Mombasa**

### **A. ABOUT THE CONFERENCE**

The Annual International Conference is one of the premier events of the Institute that combines leisure and learning. It provides delegates, and their families, with a unique holiday opportunity while networking with other local and international professionals. This year's Annual Conference is themed "**Building a Better Future for All: Aligning People, Profit, And Purpose by Unlocking ESG Opportunities**".

During the conference, participants will share their views on the role of policymakers in strengthening ESG practices and encouraging the adoption of sound corporate governance among the entities as well as emerging trends in the corporate governance profession.

### **B. FOCUS AREAS FOR THE CONFERENCE MAGAZINE**

The Institute welcomes Papers to be published on our Annual Conference Magazine which highlights policy and practical strategies geared at invigorating the CS profession for maximum impact in the society. The Papers should be aimed at stimulating conversations among Members, Council and Secretariat of the Institute on possible innovative products, processes and approaches to be embraced by the CS profession for greater relevance in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. To be considered, Papers should address any of the following topics:

- (i) ESG Disclosures and Sustainability Integration
- (ii) Corporate Governance and ESG
- (iii) Corporate Governance and Government
- (iv) Corporate governance in the new era – Prospects

### C. IMPORTANT TIMELINES

- i) This call for papers is made on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023** to ICS members and general public to write Papers on the specified thematic areas;
- ii) The Conference Papers of about 2,000 words should be submitted by **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023**;
- iii) All papers will be reviewed before being accepted;
- iv) Authors of preliminarily accepted papers will be notified by **30<sup>th</sup> April 2023**;
- v) Corrections and resubmission by **19<sup>th</sup> May 2023**;
- vi) Authors of final approved papers will be notified by **30<sup>th</sup> June 2023**; and
- vii) The Conference Magazine, with approved papers will be published and distributed members, stakeholders and conference delegates by **28<sup>th</sup> July 2023**.

### D. INSTRUCTIONS

1. Case studies sharing of real experiences on the relevant subject areas are highly encouraged.
2. This is not an academic publication and therefore stringent academic writing style will not be strictly required. However, authors must strictly adhere to basic standards of professional and ethical writing.
3. The word count should be about 2,000 words including any figures, footnotes, references and appendices.
4. The paper should be in soft copy word format document (.doc) or (.docx). Zipped documents, PDF and other formats will not be accepted.
5. Do not insert headers, footers or page numbers.
6. Do not refer to page numbers in your text as these will be changed.
7. Title of the paper should be in bold, left aligned, at the top of the first page only.
8. Maximum three levels of heading and use the numbering convention.
9. Use normal capitalization within the text and do not use bold face for emphasis.
10. Bulleted or numbered lists are acceptable.
11. Figures and tables should be placed as close to their reference point in the text as possible. All figures and tables must have titles and must be referenced from within the text.
12. Images must be inserted as picture files (.gif, .jpg, .bmp, .pct, .png, .psd). You may be asked to provide the pictures as separate files.
13. Submissions must be carefully revised for typographical and grammatical errors.
14. Submissions should be accompanied by an abridged profile of the author, of not more than 50 words plus a recent colored passport photo size of the author.
15. All submissions should be accompanied by a statement that the material is not under consideration elsewhere and that it has also not been published or pending publication elsewhere.
16. The final conference papers should be submitted to Manager, Research and Business Development at [research@ics.ke](mailto:research@ics.ke) by 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

## **E. APPRECIATIONS**

1. The Council will appreciate authors of accepted and published papers as follows:
2. Published papers, with authors' profile, will be widely publicized;
3. Award of three (3) CPD points for the year 2023;
4. Formal written recognition;
5. Possible future consideration for award of Commendation or Fellowship, subject to meeting other set criteria; and
6. Possible future engagement for paid research, consultancies or trainings- subject to availability of such opportunities and meeting other set criteria.

***The editor reserves the right to edit submitted Papers.***

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