

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

Department of Polymer Technology and Engineering

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CREATING A CIRCULAR ECONOMY IN ZIMBABWE

Abstracts are now being accepted for the International Conference on Creating a Circular Economy in Zimbabwe. The Conference will be held in Harare, at the Harare Institute of Technology Innovation hub on the 2nd of August 2023. Abstracts can be submitted for either oral or poster presentations. Authors must specify whether they prefer to make oral or poster presentations, taking into account that space for poster presentations is limited.

The International Conference on Creating a Circular Economy in Zimbabwe is event dedicated to showcase the latest scientific research results, networking and creating smart partnerships with an overall goal to provide sustainable solutions to polymer waste in the environment. Other benefits include the opportunity to meet face-to-face with experts from various disciplines and identify new areas of collaborations.

The Conference will provide a platform for young researchers have the chance to receive mentorship from more-seasoned researchers, and early-career scientists and researchers may also receive career guidance. Authors benefit from the publication of their papers in the HIT journal, refereed and edited to international standards and accredited with highly accredited journals.

Theme: Creating a Circular Economy in Zimbabwe in the Packaging Industry: Is Biodegradable plastics the answer?

Theme 1: Waste Plastics Recycling

- The 4Rs (Recycle, Reduce, Reuse and Recover)
- Mechanical Recycling
- Chemical Recycling
- E-waste

Theme 2: Innovations in Packaging industry

- Smart packaging active, interactive and intelligent packaging
- Green packaging
- Materials in packaging

Theme 3: Ban of Waste Polystyrene – SI 84 of 2012

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Alternative Packaging

GUIDELINES FOR WRITING ABSTRACTS

Abstracts of not more than 300 words should be submitted, in 12 Times New Roman, MS Word format and include the following: abstract title, author's name, sub-theme selected, author's institution, and contact details (functional email addresses and cell phone numbers). In the case of abstracts for published papers, authors should give a statement stating that the work has been published elsewhere. Full papers presented by authors whose abstracts are accepted will be published in the Polymer Technology and Engineering 2023 book of abstracts for papers presented. Authors of accepted abstracts are expected to make oral or poster presentations.

Abstracts should be sent to *polymerresearch@hit.ac.zw*.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Deadline for submissions of abstracts; 28 June 2023
- Feedback on Reviewed Abstracts;
- Submission of Papers;





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