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# Call for papers

# **International Colloquium**

# **AFRICA and CHINA**

The Sino - African relationship of tomorrow: Stakes / Challenges / Perspectives

23rd to 27th of April 2009 (Ouidah – Rep. of Benin)

Since 1995, the IDEE Institute organizes a bi-annual international colloquium on the social, political, cultural and environmental life of the African continent. Participants in these colloquiums are government representatives and civilians.

### I/ History of contemporary relationships

- Period before independence
- Period of independence
- The last decade

## II/ Strategic relationships

### 1/ Consequences of each kind of relationship

- Pacts
- Partnerships
- friendly relationships

### 2/ The necessary assets:

- Trust
- Skills and competence
- Vigilance

# III/ Requirements to create win-win relationships

- Education and Research
- Agriculture
- Industry
- ICTs.
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**IV/ Conclusion** 

The setting up of a permanent consultative body.

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# **Agenda**

Deadline for the submission of papers 28 February 2009

Papers should have 6 to 10 pages including graphics. The submission should include title and author contact informations.

#### **Scientific Committee**

Prof. Honorat Aguessy — Prof. Théophile Obenga — Prof. Moustapha Diabaté — Prof. Samulomba Mukuna — Prof. Ibrahim Aygongar Kimto

# Location of the colloquium

The sessions of the colloquium will take place at the *Institut de Développement et d'Echanges Endogènes* (Institute for Development and Endogenous Exchanges).

IDEE is experienced at organizing conferences and international seminars. It is the ideal environment in which to discuss Pan-Africanism. IDEE is located in Ouidah a city which offers an international context for the colloquium. The history of slavery and slave trade has roots in the history of Ouidah, a former harbor for slave trade to the Americas. Today, the city has an important symbolic position in the reconstruction of the cultural and intellectual links between Africa and the Americas. Ouidah is rich with its colonial style houses, its temples, its historic monuments, its beautiful beaches, and its sandy paths leading to the ocean. These, along with its history, render the city of Ouidah a charming and peaceful environment for reflection.

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