



2019 ECAMA Annual Conference

1. Program Details

Conference Theme: POPULATION GROWTH: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN MALAWI

Type of Conference: ANNUAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

Dates: 07th - 08th November, 2019

Venue: Sunbird Nkopola, Mangochi

2. Background

The theme for 2019 ECAMA Annual Conference was chosen against the background of the 2018 Malawi Population and Housing Census which revealed that at 17.6 million people in the country, about 9.4 million are below the age of 18, representing over 50 percent of the total population. Malawi's population is estimated to double to around 35 million by 2042. Therefore, this poses both challenges and opportunities to the Malawi economy, hence the need for authorities to seriously begin discussing and interrogating on how Malawi can manage the bulging young population and benefit from a demographic dividend.

3. Objectives and Target Audience

From the foregoing, the 2019 ECAMA annual conference intends to provide an open forum for various economists, demographers, academia, civil society leaders, policy makers and other key stakeholders to discuss and come up with implementable policy suggestions on issues surrounding population growth in Malawi.

4. Expected Outcomes

At the end of the conference, a Communiqué will be produced to outline resolutions agreed upon by members as well as Action Matrix will be produced to guide implementation of the conference resolutions by government authorities

and other relevant stakeholders. In addition, a comprehensive report consolidating all presentations will be produced and shared with the ECAMA membership and all stakeholders.

5. Conference Participation Fee

Registration for participation in the conference is now open. Participation fee (excluding accommodation) for members is at K265,0000.00 and K325,0000.00 for non-members.

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