



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

**KENYA POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE
(KPDC) 2025 (11th to 13th March)**

**Theme: Navigating the Future: Population Dynamics and
Sustainable Development in Kenya**

GUIDELINE FOR CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS



***Quality Population for a Prosperous
Kenya***



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The Kenya Population and Development Conference 2025 invites abstracts on cutting-edge research, policy, program and advocacy results to improve quality lives of the population of Kenya. The conference is an opportunity to showcase high-impact or best practices in implementing population policy and programs in Kenya. It will bring together experts, policymakers, and advocates from around the country to discuss strategies for addressing national population and challenges. The event will emphasize the importance of investing in human capital for harnessing the demographic dividend in Kenya.

Themes and Scope:

The conference will cover following key themes:

Under each theme, illustrative examples of topics/subthemes are listed. Authors are requested to submit a maximum of 2 abstracts to a specific theme/topic.

1. Population and Development

- i. Population growth, size and structure
- ii. Population Growth and service delivery
- iii. Ageing and welfare in Kenya
- iv. Is there Population Anxiety?

2. Fertility/ Sexual Reproductive Health

- i. FP 2030: Opportunities and Challenges
- ii. Marriage and Changing Family Structure
- iii. Infertility
- iv. Fertility Transition in Kenya
- v. Male Involvement in family planning
- vi. Family Planning in marginalized communities
- vii. Adolescent and Unintended pregnancies
- viii. Adolescent sexual reproductive health

3. Population Health and Wellbeing:

- i. Morbidity and Mortality across life course: current issues,
- ii. Current mortality data in Kenya
- iii. Universal Health Coverage: Challenges and Prospects
- iv. Non-Communicable Diseases
- v. Mental Health and well-Being
- vi. Road Safety: Road Traffic Crashes/ Injuries
- vii. Health and Wellbeing of Older People in Kenya

4. Mobility, Migration and Urbanization

- i. Refugees, displaced populations and host communities Internal Migration and urbanization
- ii. International migration: Transnationalism, Labour mobility and remittances
- iii. Irregular Migration and Human Trafficking

- iv. Migration Data
- v. Migration Policy

5. Environment and Climate Change

- i. Disasters, Risk resilience and Sendai Framework Implementation
- Population, Health and Environment (PHE) integrated approaches
- ii. Climate change Vulnerability, Mitigation and Adaptation
- iii. Climate financing strategies
- iv. Urban Waste Management

6. Population Data, Research and Innovation

- i. Leveraging Big data and administrative data in Population research
- ii. Use of artificial Intelligence (AI) and other Innovative Population Data Collection and analysis Methods
- iii. Real-Time Data Monitoring and evaluation
- iv. Innovative Approaches to Population Projections
- v. Ethical and Privacy Concerns in Population Data

7. Population Policy and Programme Implementation

- i. Integration of population issues in development planning: current state opportunities and challenges
- ii. Policy formulation/development process; lessons learnt and Best practices
- iii. Implementation of Population Programmes: scaling up of best practices
- iv. Governance, accountability and M&E for population programme
- v. Leveraging Public-private partnerships in Implementation of population policy

8. Gender and Population Dynamics

- i. Women's Empowerment and Economic Participation.
- ii. Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Femicide
- iii. Legal and policy issues in population: e.g. Matrimonial property Act, sexual Offences Bill
- iv. Status of the boy-child
- v. Women in Leadership and Political Representation
- vi. Gender, Culture, and Socio-economic Development
- vii. Vulnerable Populations (PWDs, OVCs, Older Persons)

9. Youth Bulge

- i. Leveraging Kenya's Demographic Dividend Potential
- ii. Youth empowerment, Digital economy and Innovation
- iii. Marginalized and At-Risk Youth

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION PROCESS

Abstracts may address a) research findings, b) effective policy or program implementation and best practices or c) advocacy and accountability. Each should follow the outline noted below. Authors submitting abstracts should ensure they provide sufficient detail for external reviewers to evaluate their work. Abstracts should be submitted in English on/through email at popconference@ncpd.go.ke by 3rd January 2025.

NB: Please note that we cannot publish abstracts of work that has previously been published in full elsewhere.

OUTLINE FOR ABSTRACTS (STRUCTURE)

1. **Title:** Choose a clear, concise title that reflects the main focus of your abstract. Title should be specific, informative, and reflect the core message or finding. Avoid vague terms and jargon
2. **Background:** Briefly introduce the topic
3. **Objective:** State the objective of your study or intervention. A research abstract should include a research objective while a program or policy implementation should include the program/policy objectives.
4. **Methodology:** Briefly mention the methodology. Research abstract to include data, location, study design, data source, time frame, sample size, analysis approach. Policy/program to include location, setting, data source, time frame, intended decision- maker and beneficiaries, participant size and program/advocacy approach.
5. **Results/Findings:** Summarize the key/expected findings, or preliminary results.
6. **Knowledge Contribution/ Policy or Program implications/lessons:** Describe how the findings contribute to the field of population and development.
7. **Conclusion/Significance:** Give the significance of your findings and how they can impact policy, practice, or future research.

TECHNICAL AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- **Formatting:** Use clear, accessible language and avoid jargon. Submissions should be in Times New Roman size 12.
- **Language:** Use clear, concise language. Avoid jargon and ensure technical terms are accessible to a general audience interested in population and development.
- **Word Limit:** Please keep your abstracts within 250–300 words
- **Deadline Compliance:** Submit on time, with all required sections completed according to conference specifications.
- **Author Information:** Include full names, affiliations, and contact information for all authors.

- **Ethical Approval: If applicable**, indicate ethical clearance for studies involving human participants.
- **Presentation Preference:** Specify whether the abstract is intended for oral or poster presentation.
- **Review Feedback:** Be prepared to make revisions based on reviewer comments if resubmissions are allowed.

EVALUATION/SELECTION CRITERIA

Submissions to research, policy/program implementation, and advocacy are evaluated by the following criteria on a scale/ Score 1 (low) – 5 (high).

Conference Relevance: Abstracts should directly relate to the conference themes and demonstrate relevance to current issues in population and development. To what extent does the research/program/policy issue align with the conference?

Theme Relevance: To what extent does the research/policy/program align with the focus of the theme?

Originality and Innovation: We're looking for fresh perspectives or approaches.

Clarity and Conciseness: Ensure that your abstract is well-organized and concise, as reviewers will assess readability.

Objective and Rationale: Is there a clear objective to the research/policy/program issue? Do the authors explain why the research question is important. Are the objective(s) and rationale for the program/policy clearly articulated?

Methodology: Is the methodology clearly presented and correct for the research question? Is the program/project informed by data/evidence and /or a clear theory of change?

Results/Key Findings: Are the results clearly presented? Do they relate to the specific objectives?

Conclusions/Lessons Learnt: Are the conclusions based on data? Are the effects of the program quantified? Are the lessons learned from the implementation and success or failure of the program clearly described?

Implications/ sustainability: Do the authors identify relevant policy, program, or research implications? Is there discussion of scale, impact, sustainability, efficiency; local ownership and commitment

Innovations: Is the research/program/project contributing something new to the field of population and development? Is it a new idea or one that has not been implemented previously in this population context/setting