



2017 ELECTIONS CONFERENCE

PEACEFUL FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS (PeFFE)

Deadline of March 15, 2017

Theme: Peaceful 2017 Elections: The Role of Liberian Higher Institutions of Learning

ABSTRACT FORM

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D. ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Content

Elections in Liberia have been associated with violence, disputes, court injunctions and civil wars. Liberia higher institutions of learning have not been passive members of the political space because new generations of leaders or politicians are trained there. Therefore, it is imperative that the upcoming presidential elections compelled academia to develop a roadmap for peaceful elections.

Building on this agenda, Harbel College Conference on 2017 National Elections, seeks to unearth answers concerning the role academia could play to ensure free and fair elections in Liberia. The conference is **themed, PEACEFUL 2017 ELECTIONS: THE ROLE OF HIGHER INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING**. The conference will deliberate on issues regarding theories, frameworks, and empirical evidence on the conditions and tools for effective deployment of academia in elections.

The conference welcomes

Submissions on but not limited to the following thematic areas:

- **Elections in Liberia: Lesions from the past**
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The key words used for indexing/ abstracting may be included at the end of the abstract. Three to five key words may be listed.

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<i>Online submission of complete papers 15th July</i>	
<i>Notification of selected papers for journal publications 15th July</i>	<i>i</i>

E. TIME, SPACE and MATERIAL NEEDS

Participants from Liberia

- Practitioners and researchers from Liberia-\$10.00 USD (covers tea break, lunch, conference materials)
- Students from Liberia- LD 250
- Participants from outside Liberia- US \$ 100

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March 15, 2017

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May 15, 2017

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