

18TH IGBO STUDIES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

ISA 2021 Goes 100% Virtual

June 17-19, 2021

Theme: Uwa Ndi Igbo (Igbo World, Igbo Condition)

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Igbo Studies Association (ISA) invites scholars, students and professionals from all parts of the world, whose research interests cover any of the areas of Igbo Studies, to submit abstracts for the 18th ISA Annual International Conference, to be held virtually, Thursday, June 17 to Saturday June 19, 2021.

The 2021 conference principal theme, *Uwa Ndi Igbo (Igbo World, Igbo Condition)*, provides opportunities for scholars to engage with colleagues and share their research in an interdisciplinary dialogue and exhibition on topics and issues facing the Igbo at home and abroad. Subthemes include, but are not limited to the following:

- Birth, Marriage, Death and Ritual
- Climate Change and Environmental Degradation
- Corruption and Fraudulent Practices
- Engineering and Entrepreneurship
- Folklore, History and Literature
- Home, Family and Community
- Human-, Women's- and Children's Rights
- Ideology, Materialism and Development
- Igbo Diaspora and Wealth Repatriation

- Igbo Language and Foreign Languages
- Igbo Language Endangerment and Preservation
- Igbo Traditional Religion
- Indigenous Igbo Feminism and Female Empowerment
- Infrastructure and Social Development
- Insecurity, Crime and Punishment
- Intellectual Property
- Investment Opportunities in Igboland
- Land Tenure System and the Law

- Language Acquisition and Pedagogy
- Leadership and Governance
- Learning Igbo as a Second Language
- Marginalization and Restructuring
- Medicine, Nursing and Health
- Migration and Emigration
- Politics, Bribery and Corruption
- Religions and Superstitious Beliefs
- Science and Technology
- Social Justice and Criminal Justice

- Militarism and Political Governance
- Music, Visual Arts and Film
- Nationalism and Self-Determination
- Nollywood, Culture and Values
- Numerology in the Igbo World
- Social Media and Cyber Crime
- Translation and Teaching in Igbo
- Women, War and Conflict Resolution

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING AN ABSTRACT

Please submit an abstract of 250-300 words, prepared in MS-Word and according to the <u>submission guidelines</u>, online through the <u>ISA website</u>. Papers can be written in Igbo or English. All abstracts not prepared according to the submission guidelines will be rejected.

The abstract should include the title of your proposed paper, poster, panel or round-table, your motivation for proposing the work, thesis or hypothesis, theoretical framework, references, and projected conclusions. It should also include your names in full, current status and institutional affiliation, mailing address, phone number and e-mail address.

ACCEPTANCE AND FEES

If your abstract is accepted, you will be notified in writing by the ISA Program Chair with information on how to pay a non-refundable membership fee of \$50.00 (paid in advance), and later a conference registration fee that will permit you to present your paper at the conference.

DEADLINES AND NOTIFICATION

Deadline for abstract submission (for new proposals only): February 28, 2021. **Deadline to submit a completed paper (for old and new proposals):** April 30, 2021.

Selected papers will be considered for publication in *Igbo Studies Review (ISR)*, Volume 9, 2021 or in a post-conference edited volume. For more information, please visit the ISA website at: http://www.igbostudiesassociation.org.

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