



CURRENT BUSINESS ISSUES

IN AFRICAN COUNTRIES

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Tenth Anniversary Conference on Industry

The Growth and Prevalence of Value-Added Manufacturing and Services

May 29-30, 2027

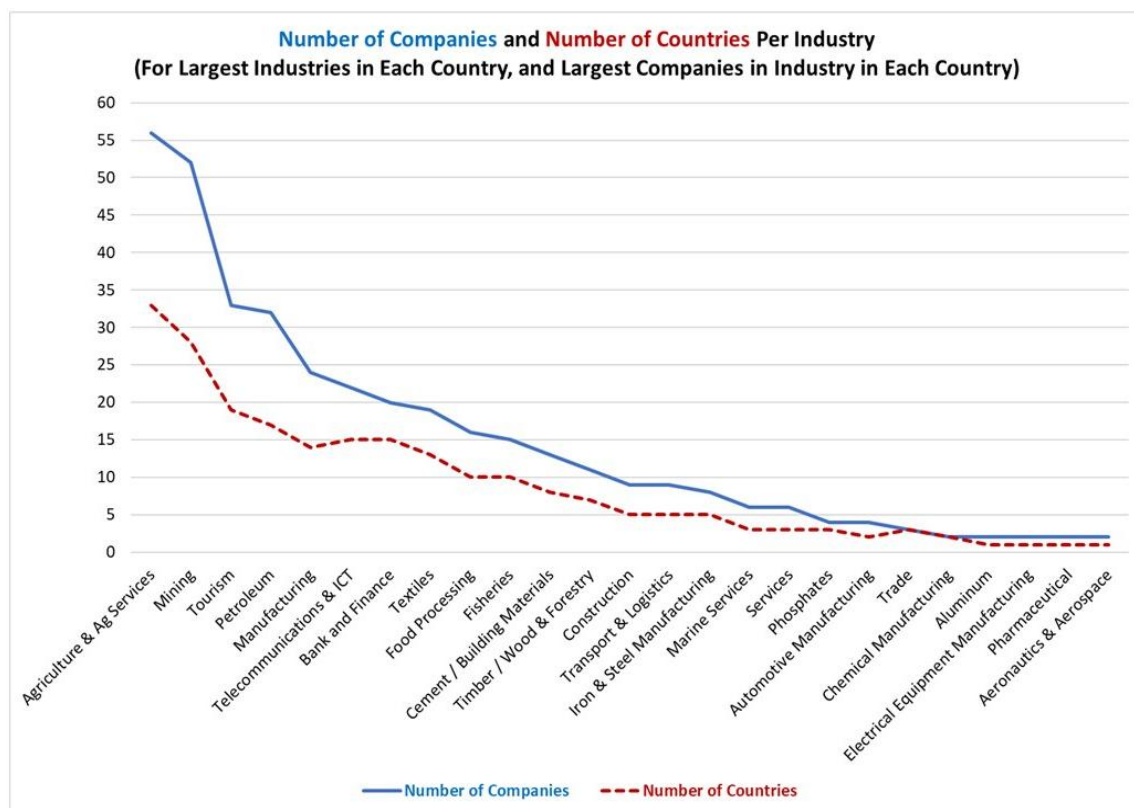
CALL FOR PROPOSALS



Across the 54 countries on the African continent, there is a high prevalence of companies engaged in value-added manufacturing and services. These companies cover a wide range of industries, from manufacturing (e.g., automobiles, iron, and steel) to services (e.g., transportation, logistics, and finance). Many industries, such as petroleum and telecommunications, are among the largest industries in 10 or more countries, indicating continent-wide value-added activities. Further, each country hosts value-added activity in a variety of industries.

Participants are invited to give presentations on either a single industry's continent-wide activities or a single country's value-added activities across industries. Participants should review the country and industry information on the CBIAC website when preparing their proposals. The conference goal is to provide a review of the breadth and depth of value-added activities across the continent. Industry information: <https://www.cbiac.net/industries>. Country Information: <https://www.cbiac.net/countries/>. YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@CBIAC>.

INDUSTRIES



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Innovators
- Entrepreneurs
- Policymakers
- NGO leaders and employees
- Business owners
- Managers
- Employees
- Government officials
- Faculty and Administrators
- Students
- Community leaders
- Engineers

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

• Submission deadline. Early submission is encouraged. • Submit proposals to https://www.cbiac.net/	January 15, 2027
• Decision notification to authors. • Call for symposium chair volunteers.	March 15, 2027
• Conference Dates.	May 29-30, 2027

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Outline

- (1) Presenter's name and company.
- (2) Conference theme topic.
- (3) Country of study.
- (4) Industry of study.
- (5) Current business issues and impact on business, society, or the economy.

Format

- One-page to five-page summary of the topic, or full-length paper.
- Microsoft Word, Arial font, 12 pt, double-spaced.
- APA Format.

OVERVIEW

The conference will gather business leaders, NGO leaders, researchers, students, and community leaders to present information on the current state of business in African countries. Issues discussed will revolve around the reciprocal impact of businesses, government, and society. The conference's goal is to create long-term collaborative relationships between business leaders, faculty, students, and community members. The impetus of the conference is the discussions held at UNCTAD 14 (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development) in Nairobi, Kenya, in July 2016 and UNCTAD 15 held in Bridgetown, Barbados, and Geneva, Switzerland in 2021 <https://unctad.org/>

PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

Participants will have the opportunity to interact significantly throughout the conference to develop long-term collaborative relationships; therefore, it is essential that they are available for presentations and discussions throughout the conference dates. Each presentation will have a 30-minute time slot for the presentation and discussion.

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE FEES

- \$50 Faculty and professionals.
- \$20 Students.

REGISTRATION AND SUBMISSION PORTAL

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