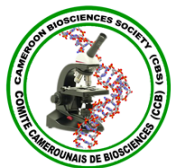


# CAMEROON BIOSCIENCE SOCIETY (CBS)

COMITE CAMEROUNAIS DE BIOSCIENCES (CCB)



**24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Theme:

***"Bioscience Research for Cameroon's Emergence"***

Venue:

**University of Buea, Cameroon**

*November 28 – December 02, 2017*



**First Announcement and  
Call for Abstracts**

[www.camerounbiosciences.org](http://www.camerounbiosciences.org)

# INVITATION AND WELCOME

Dear Colleagues,

It is with much delight that we write to invite you to the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Cameroon Bioscience Society (CBS), to be held at the **University of Buea from November 28<sup>th</sup> to December 02<sup>nd</sup>, 2017**. The first two days will be dedicated to workshops on topical issues, to be facilitated by experts who are not always near the learners. These will be followed, during the next three days, by the Annual Conference proper, on the theme: **Bioscience Research For Cameroon's Emergence**.

The Conference will thus, be laden with scientific and “emergence”-related presentations and debates in plenary, parallel and poster sessions. Participants are expected to share and discuss their valuable findings; as well as network, and come up with proposals to inform both national and international opinions on how the globally bustling bioscience sector could assist Cameroon to realize its vision of becoming an emerging nation by 2035, at a time when all global eyes are on Africa. We are aware that elsewhere, bioscience research has helped nations to emerge and blossom, through both direct and indirect ways. Directly, because vital components of our very existence - healthcare, food and agriculture, preservation of biodiversity and protection of the environment all rely on bioscience. Indirectly, because of the **huge potential bioscience has for job creation, promotion of tourism, bringing in foreign currency through global research programs that come as grants, donations, etc, which also are essential for quality training in post-graduate and professional schools**.

As novel technologies continue to flow into the global bioscience space, it is also imperative that Cameroonian and international scientists get to meet, learn and discuss them, with the possibility of adopting and adapting them to the Cameroonian situation.

At the end of the conference, in addition to the educational and networking outcomes, fully informed proposals will be made to the central government, law makers, down to the managers on the way forward for Cameroon's emergence via bioscience research. What type of investments would be deemed appropriate and adequate, taking our current situation into consideration? **Bioscience is a multi-billion to trillion dollars industry in some countries and therefore, has the potential to fully catalyze Cameroon's emergence all alone**.

With many young, distinguished and renowned scientists from different origins converging in Buea, the city of “Legendary Hospitality” at the foot of The Chariot of the Gods (Mount Cameroon, >4,070m above sea level) and planned visits to tourist sites in Limbe, we are fully convinced that this 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference will be a highly rewarding experience for everyone.

We look forward to welcoming you in Buea.

**Professor Fidelis CHO-NGWA**

*President of the LOC*

**Professor Elias NCHIWAN NUKENINE**

*President of CBS*



# SUB-THEMES OF THE CONFERENCE

## Health

Alternative and Complimentary Medicine  
Poverty Related Diseases  
Non Communicable diseases

## Food and Agriculture

Enhanced Crop and Livestock Productivity  
Food borne diseases  
Post-harvest loss

## Environment

Forestry  
Water Resources  
Biosecurity

## Biodiversity

Plant Biodiversity  
Animal Biodiversity  
Marine Biodiversity

# PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

A) Bioinformatics; B) Drug Discovery and Development; C) Successful Grant Writing  
*Participation requires separate registration to be clarified in the second announcement*

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## NATURE OF THE CONFERENCE

The conference programme includes essentially:

- ◆ Workshops
- ◆ Symposia based on the conference theme and sub-themes
- ◆ Open scientific sessions
- ◆ Poster sessions

## ABSTRACT AND FULL PAPER INFORMATION

Participants are invited to submit abstracts under any of the categories/ sub-themes of the conference.

- \* The abstract must contain a maximum of 300 words, character: Times New Roman, Size: 12, all margins: 1 inch.
- \* The abstract must be written in English or in French.
- \* The abstract should be submitted directly through website ([www.camerounbiosciences.org](http://www.camerounbiosciences.org))
- \* Abstract will be selected by the scientific committee for oral or poster presentation.
- \* The deadline for submission of abstract is **September 15, 2017** .

The full paper (Maximum 6 pages, A4, Character: Times New Roman, Size: 12, all margins: 1 inch) should be sent after the Scientific committee decision and should contain:

- a. An introduction with the essential background and objectives of the work clearly stated;
- b. Materials and methods with sufficient full experimental detail (where possible by reference);
- c. Results presented concisely, using well-designed tables and / or figures;
- d. Discussion covering the implications and consequences, not merely recapitulating the results;
- e. A concise Conclusion,

For more information, please contact the secretariat of the Local Organizing Committee

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

<b>Tuesday, November 28, 2017</b>	
07:30-08:30	Registration of participants
08:30-10:00	Course
10:00-10:15	Break
10:15-12:00	Course
12:00-13:30	Break / Lunch
13:30-15:15	Course
15:15-15:45	Break
15:45-17:45	Course
<b>Wednesday, November 29, 2017</b>	
08:15-10:00	Course
10:00-10:15	Break
10:15-12:00	Course
12:00-13:30	Break / Lunch
13:30-15:15	Course
15:15-15:45	Break
15:45-17:45	Course
08:30-10:00	Course



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<b>Wednesday, November 29, 2017</b>	
14:00-17:00	Registration of participants
<b>Thursday, November 30, 2017</b>	
08:00-10:00	Registration of participants (continued)
10:00-11:30	Opening ceremony, General session 1 & Award 1
11:30-12:30	Cocktail
12:30-14:30	General sessions 2 and 3
14:30-15:00	Commercial and Industry sponsored symposia
15:00-15:30	Coffee break and Inaugural Poster session
15:30-17:30	Scientific parallel sessions
19:30-21h30	Welcome Dinner
<b>Friday, December 01, 2017</b>	
08:30-10:00	Scientific parallel sessions
10:00-10:30	Coffee break and Poster session
10:30-12:00	General session 4 and Award 2
12:00-13:00	Scientific parallel sessions
13:00-14:00	Poster / Exhibition and Lunch
14:00-15:30	Scientific parallel sessions
15:30-16:00	Coffee break and Poster session
16:00-17:00	General session 5
17:00-17:30	Commercial and Industry sponsored symposia
17:30-18:30:	Scientific parallel sessions
19:00-20:30	Preparation of resolutions (designated members)
<b>Saturday, December 02, 2017</b>	
09:00-10:30	General assembly and closing ceremony
11:00—16:00	Cocktail and excursion in Limbe; tourism

## GENERAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

### Certificate of Attendance

Certificates of attendance will be issued to all participants

### Conference Venue:

University of Buea  
P.O. Box 63, Buea  
South-West Region  
Republic of Cameroon

### Languages:

The official languages of the conference are English and French



## Registration

All participants must submit a completed registration form (online:

[www.camerounbiosciences.org](http://www.camerounbiosciences.org))

### Registration fees

**Workshop:** Free if funding obtained (on selection)

### Conference

	<b>Nationals</b>	<b>Internationals</b>
CCB members:	10 000 FCFA	50€
Non-members:	20,000 FCFA	100€
Students:	5 000 FCFA	50€

**Membership fees** are paid separately: 5000

FCFA for all students; 10,000 FCFA for others

### Institutions, companies, clubs or associations:

Nationals: 30 000 FCFA,

International: 100 000 FCFA

1 US Dollar = 580 FCFA; 1 Euro = 655.957 XAF

### Registration fees for participants include

Admission to the scientific sessions

Participant's bag with conference material

Coffee breaks and lunches

Official Opening Ceremony

Welcome reception

*The Limbe tourist visit may require additional payments (to be determined)*

### Methods of payment of registration fees

For now, registration fees should be paid to the CBS

account No. Or to the CBS A Treasurer **Mme Fadimatou**

**BEBE: Mobile Money Tel account:** +237 674 156 430

**Email:** bebbefa@yahoo.fr.

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**Climate:** The outdoor temperature in Buea in

December will be between 19° to 26° C

**Local time:** GMT + 1

### Transport

By air from outside Cameroon to Douala Airport

By road to Buea

### Official letter of Invitation

Upon request, the Conference secretariat will send a personal letter of invitation to participate. This invitation is meant only to assist participants to raise travels funds and/or to obtain a visa.

### Visa requirements

Participants are requested to check with the Cameroon consulate in their home country or with the travel agency for visa requirements. It is the responsibility of the participant to obtain a visa in advance if required.

### ORGANISING SECRETARIAT

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University of Buea main campus



Limbe Seme beach. Photo credit: TripAdvisor



Limbe downtown beach



**EXCURSION TO LIMBE BEACH, Zoo, Botanic Garden, historic slave trade market; 40 mins drive from Buea, Saturday 2nd December, 11.00 am**