

Call for Host Country Proposals

10th African Population Conference (APC)

The Union for African Population Studies (UAPS) invites national population associations, population-based organizations, government agencies, universities, or consortia of institutions to express interest in hosting the **10th African Population Conference (APC) in 2028**.

The African Population Conference is the continent's leading event on population and development, convening every four years to bring together researchers, policymakers, development partners, and other stakeholders. The conference provides a platform for sharing cutting-edge research, strengthening collaboration, and advancing evidence-based policy in Africa.

Proposal Submission

If your institution is interested in hosting the 10th APC, please submit your proposals to the UAPS Secretariat. Formal **proposals will be due by 31st March 2026**.

The selected host country will be announced by June 2026.

Key Considerations for Host Institutions

- **Institutional Commitment:** The host may be a single institution or a consortium and must demonstrate organizational capacity to co-host a major international conference.
- **Facilities and Logistics:** Proposals should include potential venues with adequate capacity for plenaries, breakout sessions, exhibitions, and social events, as well as information on transport and accommodation.
- **Budget and Financing:** The host institution is expected to organize and fund local arrangements, with an estimated cost for hosting such an event. Proposals must include a draft budget and identify confirmed or potential sources of funding.
- **National and Political Support:** Endorsement from relevant government ministries or high-level national bodies is strongly encouraged.
- **Legacy and Inclusion:** The proposal should outline plans for inclusive participation (gender, youth, linguistic diversity), capacity building, and longer-term benefits to the host country and region.

Strategic Value of Hosting the 10th APC

Hosting the 10th APC presents a strategic opportunity for the selected country to demonstrate regional leadership in shaping Africa's demographic and development agenda. As the continent's premier convening on population issues, the APC will bring together over 1,000 researchers, policymakers, development partners, and civil society leaders from across Africa and beyond.

Key benefits include:

- **Global Visibility and Influence:** Elevates the host country's profile as a hub for innovation and evidence-based policymaking on critical population and development issues.
- **Policy and Research Synergy:** Provides a platform to highlight national progress, share best practices, and influence continental policy dialogue in alignment with national development priorities.
- **Economic and Institutional Gains:** Generates significant economic activity through hospitality and tourism while fostering partnerships that strengthen national research and academic institutions.
- **Capacity Building and Knowledge Exchange:** Offers invaluable learning and networking opportunities for local researchers, students, and government officials, and stimulates long-term engagement with the African research community.

By hosting the APC, the country affirms its commitment to advancing inclusive, data-driven development across Africa and leaves a legacy of strengthened institutional capacity and global collaboration.

How to Apply

Please send your proposals or requests for further information to:

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Subject line: "Proposal to Host 10th APC – [Country Name]."