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## AIS SIG GlobDev 2015 Pre-ECIS Workshop

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<b>Title of the Workshop</b>	<i><b>Conversations on Development: can ICTs make a difference in Climate, Political and Health Disturbances?</b></i>
<b>Organizers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Kweku-Muata Osei-Bryson, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA (<a href="http://www.isy.vcu.edu/~kmuata/">http://www.isy.vcu.edu/~kmuata/</a> ; <a href="mailto:KMOsei@VCU.Edu">KMOsei@VCU.Edu</a> )</li> <li>○ Sajda Qureshi, University of Nebraska Omaha, USA (<a href="http://faculty.ist.unomaha.edu/squreshi/">http://faculty.ist.unomaha.edu/squreshi/</a> ; <a href="mailto:squreshi@unomaha.edu">squreshi@unomaha.edu</a> )</li> <li>○ Cathy Urquhart, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK (<a href="http://www.business.mmu.ac.uk/staff/staffdetails.php?uref=430">http://www.business.mmu.ac.uk/staff/staffdetails.php?uref=430</a> ; <a href="mailto:c.urquhart@mmu.ac.uk">c.urquhart@mmu.ac.uk</a> )</li> <li>○ Ojelanki Ngwenyama, Ryerson University, Canada (<a href="http://www.ryerson.ca/iitm/people/#ojelanki">http://www.ryerson.ca/iitm/people/#ojelanki</a> ; <a href="mailto:Ojelanki@Ryerson.Ca">Ojelanki@Ryerson.Ca</a> )</li> <li>○ Edward A. Stohr, Stevens Institute of Technology, USA (<a href="http://www.stevens.edu/news/content/edward-stohr">http://www.stevens.edu/news/content/edward-stohr</a> ; <a href="mailto:estohr@stevens.edu">estohr@stevens.edu</a> )</li> </ul>
<b>Format</b>	<p>The workshop is expected to last a full day from 8am – 5:30pm and will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Keynote</li> <li>○ Multiple Paper Sessions</li> <li>○ Panel discussion</li> </ul>
<b>Description</b>	<p>The issue of the role of ICTs in the various dimensions of national Development has long been considered a significant area of IS research that has attracted the interests of IS researchers at several European universities as well as other universities in developed and developing economies. In the past ten years, the access, use and innovations in ICTs to bring people in the remotest and poorest parts of the world as active participants in the global economy, has made the study of ICTs for Development an important means of understanding how improvements in people’s live may or may not take place though IS implementations. Further in parallel with this increased access &amp; use of ICTs has been the increasing occurrence of natural disasters due to climate disturbance, major healthcare crises, and civil wars that pose significant threats to the stability and self-determination agendas of developing countries &amp; communities. An issue that is worthy of consideration is the role of ICTs in facilitating the empowerment of such countries to achieve self-determination and other development goals at the national and individual levels.</p> <p>Relevant topics for this Workshop include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Theoretical lenses and/or empirical studies that enable an understanding of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. ICTs &amp; Sustainable Development</li> <li>b. ICTs &amp; Peace building</li> <li>c. ICTs &amp; Disaster Recovery</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. The role of government policy in fostering ICT human capital, cooperation and capacity building</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. ICT Impact Analysis: Sophisticated analyses of the empowering potential &amp; dangers posed by ICTs.</li> <li>4. Social, political, and community development impacts of ICTs.</li> <li>5. Social networking for Development, ICT human capital and capacity building</li> <li>6. Critical and theoretical perspectives on the digital divide and social inclusion</li> <li>7. Challenges of ICT human capital and capacity building in remote regions</li> <li>8. Educational systems; content provision and delivery; developing ICT skills</li> <li>9. Mobile technologies as infrastructure for ICT human capital and capacity building</li> <li>10. Frugal Innovation and innovative ways in which technologies are applied in developing regions.</li> </ol> <p>Any combination of the above or aspects of human capital and capacity building for sustainable development will be considered.</p>
<b>Program Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Annika Andersson, Swedish Business School. Örebro University, Sweden</li> <li>o David Asamoah, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science &amp; Technology, Ghana</li> <li>o Arlene Bailey, The University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica</li> <li>o Corlane Barclay, University of Technology, Jamaica</li> <li>o Francis Kofi Andoh-Baidoo, The University of Texas-Pan American, USA</li> <li>o Richard Boateng, University of Ghana, Ghana</li> <li>o Irwin Brown, University of Cape Town, South Africa</li> <li>o Jyoti Choudrie, Hertfordshire University, UK</li> <li>o Marlene Holmner, University of Pretoria, South Africa</li> <li>o Mathias Hatakka, Swedish Business School. Örebro University, Sweden</li> <li>o Pamela Abbott, Brunel University, UK.</li> <li>o Paulo Rupino da Cunha, Faculty of Science and Technology of the University of Coimbra, Portugal</li> <li>o Piotr Soja, Cracow University of Economics, Poland</li> <li>o Ricardo Gomez, University of Washington, Seattle, USA</li> <li>o Shana Ponelis, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, USA</li> <li>o Sergey Samoilenko, Averett University, USA</li> <li>o Gamel Wiredu, Ghana Institute of Management &amp; Public Administration, Ghana</li> <li>o Yingqin Zheng, Royal Holloway University of London, UK</li> </ul>
<b>Plan for proceedings &amp; journal special issue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Proceedings to be published in the AIS Library.</li> <li>o Special Issue target journals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Journal of Information Technology for Development</li> <li>▪ European Journal of Information Systems</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Target audience</b>	<p>Audience:</p> <p>IT4D Researchers (professors &amp; doctoral students), particularly those researching self-determination and other development issues relevant to Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Transition Economies in Europe</p>
<b>Important Dates</b>	<p>Submission Deadline : <del>March 1, 2015</del> <b>March 16, 2015</b></p> <p>Notification to Authors : April 15, 2015</p> <p>Deadline for Final Papers: May 5, 2015</p>
<b>Submission Handling</b>	<p>Final submissions should be uploaded electronically to: <a href="https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=globdevecis2015">https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=globdevecis2015</a></p>