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CALL FOR PAPERS: 10TH AFRICAN COMPETITION and ECONOMIC REGULATION (ACER) WEEK

Submission deadline extended to 6 June 2025

29 September – 3 October 2025

Windhoek, Namibia

The Namibian Competition Commission (NACC) and the University of Johannesburg's Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED) are honoured to host the 10th African Competition and Economic Regulation (ACER) Week. This will be an essential platform for competition authorities, regulators and practitioners to share knowledge, keep abreast of key developments across the region, and build networks for collaboration between agencies.

The week combines two targeted Professional Training Programmes (PTPs), which run concurrently from 29 September to 1 October 2025, and the conference on 2 & 3 October 2025.

The conference will address issues of direct interest to competition authorities, economic regulators and practitioners in Africa.

Abstracts for proposed papers to be presented at the conference are invited on all issues of competition policy and enforcement, economic regulation, and regional development in Africa. The papers will be selected from the abstracts submitted.

We particularly invite papers on the following key themes:

- Competition, inclusive growth and sustainable development
- The roles of economic regulation and competition in energy transitions
- Barriers to entry and inclusion/exclusion of small and medium enterprises
- Regional integration and competition enforcement
- Critical analysis of competition matters addressed by African jurisdictions

Abstracts should be no more than 250 words. Abstracts may be submitted to Siphwe Ncube at siphwen@uj.ac.za on or before **6 June 2025**. Acceptance of papers will be communicated by **17 June 2025**. Final papers must be submitted by **12 September 2025**. Please note that ACER will be held in person, and the working language will be English.

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