



Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South

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The Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS) Secretariat, presents its compliments to the esteemed Focal Points in Member States, Centres of Excellence, and members of COMSATS Centre for Climate and Sustainability (CCCS), and has the honour to submit that the Alliance of National and International Science Organizations for the Belt and Road Regions (ANSO), of which COMSATS is a member, has made a 'Call for Proposals for **CAS-ANSO Conference Program-2025**'.

The CAS-ANSO Conference Program aims to facilitate the organization of workshops, symposia, and fora in a range of scientific disciplines by ANSO members.

The program focuses to catalyze knowledge exchange, spark interdisciplinary dialogue, and advance collaborative research addressing global/ regional challenges. The key priority areas include: **(i) Water Security and Safety, (ii) Food Security and Agricultural Resilience, (iii) Sustainability of the Environment and Ecosystems, and (iv) Innovation & Application of Artificial Intelligence (AI).**

The funding amount available per event is up to **USD 40,000** from ANSO. Applicants are strongly encouraged to secure additional funding sources, such as partnerships for co-funding, in-kind contributions, or supplementary resources.

The Call for Proposals, providing the guidelines for submission of Implementation Plan, Selection Process and Funding Mechanism, is given at the following weblink: http://anso.org.cn/programmes/ConferenceProgram/202504/t20250415_831797.html.

Moreover, the template for Implementation Plan and Formal Funding Confirmation Letter are enclosed as **Annex-I & II**, respectively. The aforementioned announcement may please be disseminated among relevant circles of scientists and researchers. The proposals along with filled forms and other supporting documents may be shared with COMSATS via email (To: irfan@comsats.org & farhan@comsats.org, Cc: mehwish.durani@comsats.org) by **21st May 2025**, for consideration, endorsement and further submission to ANSO.

It is worth mentioning that COMSATS has been invited to submit only **two** Proposals. In case more than two proposals are received, these will be directed to the Chairperson COMSATS Coordinating Council for selection and thereafter endorsement by COMSATS.

COMSATS avails itself of this opportunity to convey to the esteemed Focal Points in Member States, Centres of Excellence and CCCS members, the assurance of its highest consideration.

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