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# **CALL FOR PAPERS**

## ***Africa, The European Union and China Towards a New Global Order – From Pandemic to Renewed Integration and Global Cooperation?***

**The EU-EAC Jean Monnet Network  
'The European Union, Africa and China in the Global Age'  
is inviting paper proposals to explore issues related to Africa,  
globalisation and perspectives of international cooperation with the  
European Union and China in a post-COVID-19 world.**

### **Rationale:**

The emergence of a severe global health crisis induced by the COVID-19 infection is redefining virtually every aspect of human relations and activity. In the face of such unprecedented global challenge, multiple questions beg an answer. It is the intention of this call to contribute actively to current debates and enhance research into the short, medium and long-term impact of the global health emergency caused by the Coronavirus:

- 1- on the African continent;
- 2- on Africa's current and future relations with the European Union and China;
- 3- on the future position of Africa in globalisation.

We specifically encourage papers analysing one or more of the following key issues and challenges:

- Why is Africa more vulnerable to the pandemic than many other parts of the world?
- How are democracy, the law, social and fundamental rights affected as consequence of the pandemic?
- What are the consequences on youth and education of the health crisis?
- How does the health emergency affect migrations?
- How are the economies in Africa, Europe and China affected by the pandemic?

- What are the consequences of the pandemic on African, European, Chinese and global trade (with reference to Intra-African trade, trade between Africa and EU countries, and trade between Africa and China)?
- What are the potential consequences of COVID-19 on security issues in Africa?
- Does the global health crisis enhance international cooperation and solidarity? Or does it reinforce trends towards national sovereignty and borders?
- How does the pandemic influence Africa's relationship with the EU?
- How does the pandemic influence Africa's relationship with major European countries (France, Germany, the UK)?
- How does the pandemic affect Africa's relations with China, the BRI initiative, debt management etc.?
- What are the prospects for furthering regional and continental integration in Africa after the Covid-19 health crisis?
- Which trends can be anticipated with regard to geopolitical and geoeconomic changes in the Global North and the Global South?
- Country-specific analyses are welcome, especially those relating to a member state of the East African Community (EAC).
- Regional Economic Community (REC) – specific analyses are also welcome, especially those relating to the East African Community (EAC).
- How can a trilateral, cooperative approach between Africa, the EU and China promote sustainable development on the African continent?

If you wish to propose a paper, please send a 300-word abstract in English or in French by **3 June 2020** at the latest, together with a short bio of 5-6 lines, to:  
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### Schedule:

3 June 2020: deadline submission of abstract proposal.  
 5 June 2020: confirmation of selected papers.  
 20 July 2020: submission deadline of completed paper.

Contributions should not exceed 6,000 words including title, subtitles, headings, tables, graphs and references, and should adopt the Harvard referencing system. Shorter, policy briefing-type papers are also welcome. Selected papers will be published in the *Journal of European Studies* of the *European Community Studies Association* (ECSA, Moldova branch).

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