



**African Health Economics and Policy Association**  
**Association Africaine d'Economie et Politique de la Santé**

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Accra - Ghana 11th - 14th March 2019  
**5th AfHEA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

**The agenda at a glance**

Sunday 10 March 2019

**Pre-conference workshops**

Bilingual 1 - Scientific Writing Workshop

Monday 11 March 2019

**Pre-conference workshops**

- English only
- 2 - Skills building through peer learning – Implementing strategic purchasing to contribute to progress towards UHC in Africa
  - 3 - Applied health economics in Africa: Using examples from immunisation
  - 4 - Tracking progress towards Universal Health Coverage: Methods and Applications using the World Bank's ADePT software, Stata and the World Bank's Health Equity and Financial Protection Indicator (HEFPI) database
  - 5 - The Power of Choice- Promoting Informed SRHR Choices among Young People to Advance the ICPD Agenda in Ghana

**Official opening ceremony**

17:00 Registration Housekeeping announcements  
 Participant seating Reception of officials  
**Official opening ceremony by**  
**His Excellency Ajhaji Dr Mahamudu Bawumia, Vice President of the Republic of Ghana**  
 19:00 WELCOME COCKTAIL

Tuesday 12 March 2019

08:00 Registration Housekeeping announcements  
 08:30 Participant seating

**Plenary 1**

08:30 **Main conference hall: ADLON BALLROOM 1-2**  
 10:30 **Technical Keynotes and Panel discussion - Securing PHC For All: the Foundation for Making Progress on UHC in Africa**  
 10:30 BREAK / GROUP PHOTO / POSTER PRESENTATIONS  
 11:00

**Parallel sessions 1**

11:00 12:30	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Universal Health Coverage (UHC) - progress and challenges	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Private sector, PPP and contracting out 1	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> Cost effectiveness: case studies	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Access to HIV/AIDS services	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> Access to maternal health services	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Economic evaluation of health programmes 1	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Data for management and policy making	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Institutionalization of Financial Protection Monitoring in Africa (OS 1)
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**Parallel sessions 2**

12:30 14:00	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Universal Health Coverage (UHC) - Monitoring and evaluation	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Equity in Health	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> Community-based health insurance	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Drugs / Medicines	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> Economics of Immunization, malaria, TB and HIV/AIDS	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Economic evaluation of health programmes 2	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Aid and International health financing	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Toward Systematic Approaches for Addressing Ethics & Equity Considerations in Health Technology Assessment (OS 2)
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14:00 LUNCH  
 15:00

**Parallel sessions 3**

15:00 16:30	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Strengthening Capacity for Teaching and Learning of Health Policy and Systems Research (HPSR) and Health Economics in Africa: Practical Issues for Educators and Learners (OS 3)	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Approaches for achieving Universal Health Care: Policy Perspectives from Africa and Asia (OS 4)	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> How can health systems be shaped to sustainably address the maternal health needs of the most vulnerable and under-served populations? (OS 5)	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Strengthening health systems through the application of health financing progress matrices: country experience (OS 6)	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> Strategic purchasing for universal health coverage: the role of aligned mixed provider payment systems (OS 7)	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Is a per capita payment system a viable strategic purchasing option for assuring universal access to Primary Health Care in Ghana: What have we learned over time and what is the way forward (OS 8)	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> The influence of Cultural Practices in the spread of Diseases: the case of far North of Cameroon (OS 9)	<b>Room: PEARL</b> How agent-based modelling can help healthcare policy and planning (OS 10)
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16:30 BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS  
 17:00

**Plenary 2**

17:00 **Main conference hall: ADLON BALLROOM 1-2**  
 18:30 **Plenary session 2: Ghana's road to UHC: improving enrolment onto the NHIS to achieve universal health coverage**  
 19:00 **Cocktail Dinner with World Bank**

Wednesday 13 March 2019

**Plenary 3**

**08:30** Main conference hall: **ADLON BALLROOM 1-2**  
**10:00** **Plenary session 3:** The cost-effectiveness and benefits of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRH&R) packages within UHC related schemes

**10:00** BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS  
**10:30**

**Parallel sessions 4**

<b>10:30</b> <b>12:00</b>	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Health financing assessments	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Maternal and child health care 1	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> Result- and performance-based financing	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Purchasing of services	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> User fees' - removal and exemptions	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Evaluating PHC performance1	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Governance and accountability 1	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Sound decision making – a development partnership for UHC ( <b>OS 11</b> )
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**Parallel sessions 5**

<b>12:00</b> <b>13:30</b>	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Health Financing and policy	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Maternal and child health care 2	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> Health behaviours and perceptions	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Health technology assessments	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> Mental health issues	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Evaluating PHC performance2	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Governance and accountability 2	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Teaching Health Economics - a LMIC focus ( <b>OS 12</b> )
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**13:30** LUNCH  
**14:30**

**Parallel sessions 6**

<b>14:30</b> <b>16:00</b>	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Public financial management towards better PHC and health sector outputs: Building and disseminating knowledge for accelerated reforms in Africa ( <b>OS 13</b> )	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> An Activist Agenda for Health Policy and Systems (HPS) Research and Practise in Africa ( <b>OS 14</b> )	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> Implementing Bold Reforms towards Financing UHC in a Decentralized Economy ( <b>OS 15</b> )	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Translating Evidence to Action: Participatory Approaches for Strengthening Maternal Health Interventions ( <b>OS 16</b> )	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> The effect of human resources management on performance in hospitals in Sub-Saharan Arica ( <b>OS 17</b> )	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Promoting access to quality and responsive mental health care and services in Ghana ( <b>OS 18</b> )	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Securing PHC for all in a voluntary health insurance: lessons from the NHIA-KOFIH collaboration in Ghana ( <b>OS 19</b> )	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Economics of Public Health: Implications for research practice in Africa ( <b>OS 20</b> )
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**16:00** BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS  
**16:30**

**Plenary 4**

**16:30** Main conference hall: **ADLON BALLROOM 1-2**  
**18:00** **Plenary session 4 - Making health systems work for UHC in Africa: An Actions Framework**  
**institutional meetings**  
**19:00** Gala Dinner  
**21:30**

Thursday 14 March 2019

**Plenary 5**

**08:30** Main conference hall: **ADLON BALLROOM 1-2**  
**10:00** **Plenary session 5:** Strategic Purchasing for UHC in Africa: Engaging stakeholders to effectively implement strategic purchasing approaches that reach all levels of the health system

**10:00** BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS  
**10:30**

**Parallel sessions 7**

<b>10:30</b> <b>12:00</b>	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Resource allocation, efficiency and management 1	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Non Communicable diseases	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> New trends and debates in international health financing	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Human Resources for Health: country experiences	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> Preferences and willingness to pay	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Health economics tools and approaches	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b>	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Sexual reproductive health and rights: a smart investment towards achieving SDGs by 2030 ( <b>OS 21</b> )
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**Parallel sessions 8**

<b>12:00</b> <b>13:30</b>	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> Resource allocation, efficiency and management 2	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Public health research issues	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> Priority setting and economic evaluation	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Human Resources for Health: innovative approaches	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> Access to health care services	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Hospital management and financing	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> National health insurance	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Private sector, PPP and contracting out 2
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**13:30** LUNCH  
**14:30**

**Plenary 6**

**14:30** Main conference hall: **ADLON BALLROOM 1-2**  
**16:00** **Plenary 6:** National health strategies for achieving PHC for all

**16:00** BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS  
**16:15**

**Plenary 7**

**16:15** Main conference hall: **ADLON BALLROOM 1-2**  
**18:00** **Plenary session 7:** Panel discussion on key messages of the Conference

**Closing ceremony**

Social programme (by the Event Organizer)