



**African Health Economics and Policy Association**  
**Association Africaine d'Economie et Politique de la Santé**  
 Accra - Ghana 11th - 14th March 2019  
**5th AfHEA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

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**The agenda at a glance**

**Sunday 10 March 2019**

**Pre-conference workshops**

**Bilingual** 1 - Scientific and grant writing for African early career researchers in health economics, financing, systems and policy

**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

**Official opening ceremony**

**17:00** Registration  
Participant seating  
Housekeeping announcements  
Reception of officials

**Official opening ceremony**

**19:00** WELCOME COCKTAIL

**Tuesday 12 March 2019**

**08:00** Registration  
**08:30** Participant seating  
Housekeeping announcements

**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**

<b>11:00</b> <b>12:30</b>	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> UHC progress and challenges 1	<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: PEARL</b> Data for management and policy making	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Economics of Public Health: Implications for research practice in Africa (OS 1)
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**Parallel sessions 2**

<b>12:30</b> <b>14:00</b>	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1</b> UHC progress and challenges 2	<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: PEARL</b> Aid and International health financing	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</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**

<b>15:00</b> <b>16:30</b>	<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 - Part 1 (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> Translating Evidence to Action: Participatory Approaches for Strengthening Maternal Health Interventions (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: PEARL</b> Implementing Bold Reforms towards Financing UHC in a Decentralized Economy (OS 9)	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</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

**Wednesday 13 March 2019**

**Plenary 3**

08:30	<b>Main conference hall: ADLON BALLROOM 1-2</b>							
10:00	Plenary session 3: TBD							
10:00	BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS							
10:30	<b>Parallel sessions 4</b>							
10:30	<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> Securing PHC for all in a voluntary health insurance: lessons from the NHIA-KOFIH collaboration in Ghana (OS 11)
12:00	<b>Parallel sessions 5</b>							
12:00	<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: PEARL</b> Governance and accountability 2	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Teaching Health Economics - a LMIC focus (OS 12)
13:30	LUNCH							
14:30	<b>Parallel sessions 6</b>							
14:30	<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 (OS 13)	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Approaches for achieving Universal Health Care: Policy Perspectives from Africa and Asia - Part 2 (OS 14)	<b>Room: ADLON 3</b> Process and evidence for health benefits package design – a development partnership for the foundation of UHC (OS 15)	<b>Room: PALM JUMERIAH</b> Strengthening health systems through the application of health financing progress matrices: country experience (OS 16)	<b>Room: CHEZ GEORGE</b> The effect of human resources management on performance in hospitals in Sub-Saharan Africa (OS 17)	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Promoting access to quality and responsive mental health care and services in Ghana (OS 18)	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Institutionalization of Financial Protection Monitoring in Africa (OS 19)	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> The influence of Cultural Practices in the spread of Diseases: the case of far North of Cameroon (OS 20)
16:00	BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS							
16:30	<b>Plenary 4</b>							
16:30	<b>Main conference hall: ADLON BALLROOM 1-2</b>							
18:00	Plenary session 4 - Making health systems work for UHC in Africa: An Actions Framework institutional meetings							
19:00	Gala Dinner							
21:30								
<b>Thursday 14 March 2019</b>								
<b>Plenary 5</b>								
08:30	<b>Main conference hall: ADLON BALLROOM 1-2</b>							
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	<b>Parallel sessions 7</b>							
10:30	<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> An Activist Agenda for Health Policy and Systems (HPS) Research and Practise in Africa (OS 21)	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Health economics tools and approaches 1	<b>Room: PEARL</b> Health economics tools and approaches 2	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Public health research issues 1
12:00	<b>Parallel sessions 8</b>							
12:00	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 1-2</b> Resource allocation, efficiency and management 2	<b>Room: ADLON BALLROOM 2</b> Public health research issues 2	<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> Improved domestic public funding of health care	<b>Room: EMIRATES PALACE</b> Health economics tools and approaches 3	<b>Room: PEARL</b> National health insurance	<b>Room: CIRAGAN PALACE</b> Private sector, PPP and contracting out 2
13:30	LUNCH							
14:30	<b>Plenary 6</b>							
14:30	TBD							
16:00	BREAK / POSTER PRESENTATIONS							
16:15	<b>Plenary 7</b>							
16:15	<b>Main conference hall: ADLON BALLROOM 1-2</b>							
18:00	Plenary session 7: Panel discussion on key messages of the Conference followed by closing ceremony							
Social programme (by the Event Organizer)								