

INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS OF UGANDA







ICPAU RESEARCH CONFERENCE

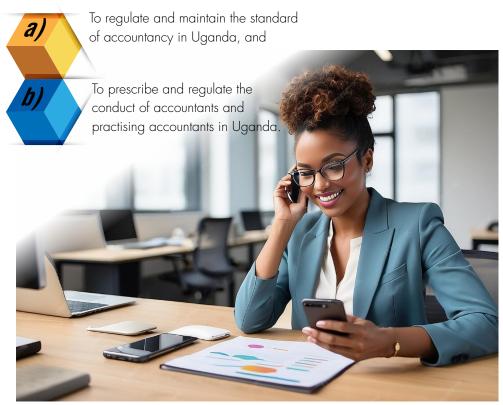
Strengthening Accountability, Sustainability, and Professionalism through Evidence-Based Research



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ABOUT ICPAU

The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda (ICPAU) is the national professional accountancy organisation established by the Act of Parliament, Accountants Act, Cap 294



OVERVIEW OF THE RESEARCH CONFERENCE

ICPAU is delighted to announce and convene its inaugural Research Conference (ICPAU-RC 2025), which will be held on 14 November 2025.

The conference is a flagship event that will bring together accounting professionals, academics, policymakers, and industry leaders to discuss critical issues affecting the accountancy profession and broader economic issues in Uganda and the East African region.

From this conference onwards, ICPAU will seek to host high-profile conferences to encourage evidence-based decision-making, research-driven reforms, and innovation within the accountancy and public finance management sectors.

The conference will serve as a platform for disseminating original research findings, particularly in areas such as: Financial reporting and corporate governance, Public finance management and accountability, Taxation and fiscal policy, Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) reporting, Digital transformation in finance and audit, and Ethics and professional standards.

A conference of this calibre will be held for the first time by ICPAU and thereafter, it will be organised annually. The conference features research paper presentations, keynote addresses by distinguished experts, panel discussions, and policy dialogues that will bridge academia and practice. The outcomes will inform ICPAU's technical guidance and regulatory reforms, contributing significantly to national development goals and the strengthening of Uganda's financial systems.

By fostering a culture of research and innovation, the conference will play a pivotal role in shaping the future of the accounting profession, promoting transparency, and improving financial accountability across both public and private sectors.

To provide a platform for dissemination and publication of accountancy research findings

To bridge the gap between academia and practice

To promote a research culture within the accountancy profession





To inform national policy and professional standards development



OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE



To build capacity among young and emerging researchers



To support national development goals and economic transformation



To encourage innovation and thought leadership

CALL FOR PAPERS

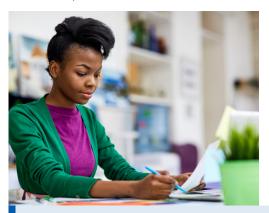
The Institute invites researchers, practitioners, policymakers and students to submit their original research abstracts and full papers for presentation and publication. Please submit by 30 September 2025.

The research papers must have been finalised after 2020 and are in line with the focus/thematic areas of the conference:



Benefits for Presenters

- a) Knowledge sharing and researcher visibility
- b) Peer review and feedback
- c) Networking opportunities
- d) Contribution to policy and practice
- e) Professional recognition and awards
- f) Capacity building in research
- g) Publication opportunities
- h) Inspiration for further research



Submission Guidelines

- Research papers must be submitted by the authors. The coauthored research papers must be submitted by the Principal Investigator.
- b) Submit full papers, which should not exceed 7,000 words, including references.
- c) Papers should follow APA (7th Edition) formatting guidelines.
- d) All submissions should be sent via the conference submission portal.

Submit your paper here

www.icpau.co.ug



Important Dates

- a) Abstracts and Full Papers must be submitted at the same time by 30 September 2025 and Authors will be notified of abstract acceptance.
- b) Deadline to confirm who will present at the research conference is 24 October 2025
- c) Deadline for participants to confirm their attendance is 7 November 2025

How ICPAU Will Utilise the Research Papers Presented at the Conference

- a) To advocate for sound financial, tax, and governance policies by engaging with government agencies, regulators, and development partners.
- b) To contribute to the development and refinement of accounting standards, audit practices, and ethical guidelines tailored to Uganda's context and aligned with international best practices.
- c) To integrate relevant research findings into its training curricula and continuing professional development (CPD) courses, and to ensure that members are equipped with current knowledge and skills.
- d) Suitable papers will be published in ICPAU's research journal, bulletins, and other suitable media to enhance access to locally relevant, evidence-based knowledge.
- e) To shape its internal strategies, align its goals with national development priorities (e.g., Uganda Vision 2040, NDP III), and respond proactively to emerging trends in the accounting profession.
- f) To identify knowledge gaps and promote follow-up research as part of the Institute's research agenda based on conference discussions.





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