CONFERENCE VENUE

The Gran Meliá Hotel, Arusha is situated in the heart of Arusha between the Serengeti and Kilimanjaro National Parks. It offers a five-star comfort and elegance, with extensive, unbeatable facilities, exclusive suites, and international cuisine, with modern meeting rooms and conference facility. The hotel is set amidst 18 acres of landscaped coffee and tea plantation and offers tranquil surroundings with spectacular view of Mt Meru.

Besides Gran Malia hotel where the conference will be held, there are other alternative hotels and accommodation located within 1 kilometre radius; Kibo Palace, Mount Meru Hotel, New Safari Hotel, Equator Hotel, Corridor Springs, Four Points by Sheraton and Silver Palm

EXCURSION SITES

1) **Ngorongoro Crater:**
   Popularly known as the *"Eighth Wonder of the World,"* this UNESCO World Heritage Site is a massive caldera with abundant wildlife, including the big five; lions, elephants, buffaloes, leopards and rhinos.

2) **City Tour** that includes a visit to Culture Heritage Centre, Arusha Declaration Museum and Tanzanite Experience.

ARUSHA

Arusha, the third largest city in Tanzania is in the Northern Tanzania, nestled at the base of Mount Meru. Arusha is often referred to as the "Geneva of Africa" because of its significant role in diplomacy, peacekeeping, and international cooperation. Arusha is home to several major international organizations, including the East African Court of Justice, the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), and various diplomatic missions and regional offices.

Arusha is more than just a stopover on the way to and from safari adventures. One of the fastest growing cities in Tanzania and the best tourist destinations in East Africa and the safaris gateway to some of Africa's most famous landscapes and famous natural attractions such as Ngorongoro Crater, Lake Manyara, Olduvai Gorge, Tarangire National Park and Arusha National Park.

EXCURSION SITES

3) **Mount Kilimanjaro:** The Africa's highest peak standing at 5,895 meters (19,341 feet) above sea level and is a popular destination for trekkers. It attracts adventurers looking to climb the mountain or explore its surrounding foothills.

4) **Lake Manyara National Park:** It lies at the base of the Great Rift Valley escarpment, offering stunning views of the surrounding landscapes, including the lake itself. It has diverse wildlife population including large herds of elephants, tree-climbing lions, famous pink flamingos, wilder beasts among others.

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THEME:
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Hosted by:
THE NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL OF TANZANIA

DATE:
17TH - 21ST AUGUST 2026

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The Gran Meliá Hotel, Arusha, Tanzania

INTRODUCTION

The 42nd Association for Educational Assessment in Africa (AEAA) Annual Conference will be hosted by the National Examinations Council of Tanzania (NECTA) from 17th to 21st August 2026, in Arusha, Tanzania.
The conference will explore the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in educational assessment. AI is transforming the landscape of educational assessment offering new opportunities to enhance the way we assess learners.
AI presents both exciting opportunities and critical challenges for the future of education.

The conference will bring together key educational stakeholders in assessment from Africa and globally mainly national educational assessment bodies to explore the potential of AI in an increasing automated assessment environment, share knowledge, and engage in thought-provoking discussions.

The host, NECTA was established under the Parliamentary Act No. 21 of 1973 with the responsibility of administering all National Examinations and Assessments in Tanzania.

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CONFERENCE THEME

The Conference theme of the 42nd AEAA is ***Rethinking Educational Assessment in the Age of Artificial Intelligence***.

The Conference welcomes the presentation that address the following Sub Themes:

a) **Harnessing Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Personalized, Equitable, and Inclusive Education;**

b) **Future of e-Assessment and the security dilemma of Artificial Intelligence (AI);**

c) **Leveraging Artificial Intelligence (AI) to Shape Technical, Vocational, and Education Training (TVET) Assessments**

d) **Leveraging AI-powered, data driven decisions for educational policy management;**

e) **Aligning scenario-based simulations with Continuous Assessment and competency-based learning;**

f) **Promoting academia-industry collaboration for technological literacy and effective practical assessment;**

g) **Digital solutions for assessment feedback and evaluation of teaching and learning;**

▸ CONFERENCE FEES

Registration fee	**US $ 600**
Excursion fee	**US $ 100**

Bank Name:	**National Microfinance Bank (NMB)**
Account Name:	**NECTA USD COLLECTION ACCOUNT**
Account Number:	**20110093702**
SWIFTCODE:	**NMIBTZTZ**
Branch Name:	**Bank House**

Also delegates can opt to pay cash during registration

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS AND PAPERS

Interested persons are invited to submit New Times Roman (12pt) format original work abstracts as follows:

Abstracts:

- 350 word
- Title
- Sub theme
- Author(s) details (name(s), institution of affiliation, email address(es)

Paper:

- Not less than 3,500 words
- Line Spacing 1.5
- APA reference style

Abstracts and papers should be submitted by uploading on the AEAA website: www.aeaafrica.org and sent as an attachment to email: aeaa2026@necta.go.tz in adherence to timelines.

CALL FOR PAPERS AND REGISTRATION

Conference Dates	**17th – 21st Aug 2026**
Deadline for submission of abstracts	**31st Mar 2026**
Notification of acceptance	**30th Apr 2026**
Deadline for submission of papers and presentations	**31st May 2026**
Registration deadline for presenters	**30th June 2026**
Close of online registration	**31st July 2026**