Introduction:
The Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Ghana (CARLIGH), in collaboration with the Association of African Universities (AAU), is pleased to announce the 3rd International Conference of the Consortium which will be held in Accra, Ghana from 9th – 13th July 2018.

The conference seeks to bring together researchers, faculty, librarians, ICT professionals, data analysts, and industry players to deliberate on and share experiences in the area of research data and its management. The pre-conference workshops will expose participants to key issues around national policy formulation on data management.

Conference theme:
Managing Research Output for National Development: Trends and Issues

Sub-themes:
- The Role of Technology in Managing Research Output;
- The Researcher and Data (including the involvement of cloud computing, repositories, and open access - OA);
- Standards for Organizing Research Data;
- Building Capacity for Research Data and Output Management;
- Policies, Legal and Ethical Issues/Concerns of Research Output, Use and Management;
- The Research-Industry Nexus.

Venue
Association of African Universities, Accra, Ghana

Dates
Pre-conference workshops: 9th – 10th July, 2018
Main conference: 11th – 13th July, 2018

Guidelines for submission of abstracts for papers:
Proposals should address the theme and/or sub-themes, and should include the following
- Title of proposed paper;
- Name(s) of speaker(s);
- Speaker(s)’ institutional affiliation;
- Speaker(s) email address, telephone/fax number(s);
- Abstract of proposed paper (up to 500 words)
- Short professional profile of speaker(s) – Not more than 150 words.
Presenters are encouraged to ensure that papers submitted are original. Accepted papers will undergo peer-review processes and are expected to be published by a reputable publisher.

**Length of paper/presentations**
Papers should be 3,000 to 5,000 words long, submitted in Word, using Times New Roman (12pt) font, and double-spaced. It must include an abstract and keywords.

Presentations will be on PowerPoint for twenty (20) minutes, followed by 5 minutes of questions/discussion.

**Guidelines for submission of proposals for poster presentations**
These are interactive presentations of research, innovative projects, or best practices.
- Title of proposed poster;
- Name(s) of researcher(s);
- Researcher(s)’ institutional affiliation, if any;
- Researcher(s) email address, telephone/fax number(s);
- Abstract of proposed poster (up to 300 words);
- Short professional profile of speaker(s) – Not more than 150 words.

**Poster sizes**
Posters should be the equivalent of A1 (841mm x 594mm, 33.1in x 23.4in) or A2 (420mm x 594mm, 16.53 x 23.39 in).

**Time lines to observe**

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**Participant and exhibitor’s fees, and methods of payment**: please note that we are not yet able to provide the final prices for conference attendance but we expect to publish an indicative price list in early January.

**Please email your proposal to:**
Chair, Publications Sub-Committee: Ms. Korklu A Laryea, carlighpubs2018@gmail.com

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