



International Afrikan Spirituality Symposium Programme

Organising Partners: ACIPS-SA · Centre for Excellence Learning & Training – Durban University of Technology (CELT-DUT) · National Association of African Traditional & Ancestral Venerators of Ghana (NATAV-Gh)

Theme: *Afrikan Spirituality, Knowledge Systems, and the Fourth Industrial Revolution: Reclaiming Epistemic Sovereignty*

Dates: 2-3 June 2026

Time: 08h30 – 14h30

Day 1: Tuesday, 2 June 2026

Reclaiming Foundations: Spirituality, Knowledge, and Power

Time	Session	Title/Theme	Presenter(s)
08h30 – 08h45	Opening & Welcome	What ACIPS stands to achieve	ACIPS Secretariat
08h45 – 09h15	Keynote Address	The Return of the Afrikan Spirit: Civilisational Renewal in the Fourth Industrial Revolution Epoch	Christian Kwami Agbodza
09h14 – 09h45	Paper 1	A Decolonial Critique of Educational Reform: Reclaiming Ubuntu as Ontological and Epistemic Foundation and Praxis	Mafole Sematlane
09h45 – 10h15	Paper 2	The Dzesi of Divine: Symbolic Mathematics and Internal Monitor Afrikan Sacred Pedagogy.	Christian Kwami Agbodza
10h15 – 10h45	Paper 3	Religion, Natural Resource Exploitation and Socio – Economic Inequality in Nigeria: A Critical Analysis.	Roberts Vivian

10h45 – 12h15	Paper 4	Revitalisation of Indigenous Traditional Spiritual Practices in the Contemporary World: Case Study of Malawi	Ambrozo Namazemba
12h15 – 13h00	Lunch Break		
13h15 – 13h45	Paper 5	Pan-Vitalism as Method: Reading Social Phenomena as Living Systems.	Bernard N. Owusu-Sekyere
13h45- 14h15	Paper 6	The Dzesi of the Divine: Symbolic Mathematics and the Internal Monitor in Afrikan Sacred Pedagogy	Christian K. Agbodza
14h15 – 15h00	Panel Discussion	From Knowledge to Power: Decolonisation, Governance and Justice	All Day 1 Speakers
15h00 – 15h10	Closing and Reflections of Day 1		Dr Nana Yaw Wi Asamoah Boadi - NATAV-Ghana President

Day 2: Wednesday, 3 June 2026

Application, Systems, and Futures in the 4IR

Time	Session	Title/Theme	Presenter(s)
08h00 – 08h15	CELT-DUT Address	The Exploration of Afrikan Spirituality and Traditional Practices in Tertiary Institutions: A Partnership between DUT and ACIPS thus Far	Bwalya Lungu
08h15 – 09h00	Keynote Address	African Spirituality: Catalyst for Innovation and Technological Advances	Dr Paliani Chinguwo
09h00 – 09h30	Paper 7	Afrikan Spirituality and Economic Decision-Making in the Fourth Industrial Revolution: A Behavioural Economics Perspective.	Freeman Nanpon Nandang

09h30- 10h00	Paper 8	The Consciencist Craft: Nkrumah's Symbolic Mathematics as Afrikan Sacred Pedagogy for Sovereignty.	Christian K. Agbodza
10h00 – 10h30	Paper 9	Afrikan Spiritual Protection Systems and Digital Prediction Technologies: Accuracy, Epistemic Tensions and Future of Traditional Counsellorship in the 4IR Epoch.	Bernard N. Owusu-Sekyere
10h30 – 11h00	Paper 10	The Pan Afrikan Spiritual Imperative: Reclaiming Indwelling Divinity for Civilization Renewal in the Age of AI.	Siphiwe Baleka
11h00 – 11h30	Paper 11	Afrikan Spirituality and ISINTU in The Fourth Industrial Revolution.	Baba Menzi Ka Gudu Maseko
11h30 – 12h00	Paper 12	Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a Synthetic version of Nananom Abosom (Suman)	Dr Nana Yaw Wi Asamoah Boadi
12h00 – 12h45	Presentation Guided by Dr Nana Yaw Wi Asamoah Boadi	Talk 1: Why our traditional forces (Nananom Abosom – Nature deities) have suffered defeat in confrontation with the white race and the East, is there any way we Afrikans can rise by reliance on what we have naturally for our defense and progress. Talk 2: The Security role in animals' blood for sacrifice using sheep etc., and how they are important in our digital age. Talk 3: As the digital era the interface traditional practices, how will that add anything new to traditional ritual practices.	Komfo Nana Akosua Owusu Komfo Nana Yaw Kyei Komfo Nana Baffour Oyau
12h45 – 13h00	Lunch Break		
13h00 – 13h40	Plenary Discussion	Spirituality, Systems, and Sovereignty in the Fourth Industrial Revolution	

13h40 – Closing	Toward an Afrikan Epistemic Future: Integration, Practice, and Institutional Pathways	All Speakers
14h15 Roundtable		
14h15 – Closing	Volunteer Researchers Recruitment & ACIPS today and tomorrow	ACIPS Director
14h30 – Remarks, Way Forward		
14h30- Appreciation &		Makhosi
14h40 Thanks		Shusha/Noxolo Mahlaba