



THE CONSORTIUM OF TANZANIA UNIVERSITY AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES (COTUL)

Call for papers for the 8th COTUL Scientific Conference to be held in Kilimanjaro

Conference Theme

Reimagining Library and Information Services in the
Era of Open Science and Emerging Technologies

Sub-themes

- ▶ Scholarly communication and knowledge equity
- ▶ Emerging technologies and artificial intelligence in library services
- ▶ Digital transformation and innovation in libraries
- ▶ Open educational resources in education and research
- ▶ Information literacy, digital literacy and lifelong learning
- ▶ Open access, open data and open-source systems in libraries
- ▶ Inclusive, sustainable and community-engaged library services
- ▶ Policy, governance, ethics and legal issues in open science ecosystems
- ▶ Research support, data management and open knowledge
- ▶ Open access publishing, repositories, and knowledge preservation
- ▶ Partnerships, networking and capacity building for future-ready libraries

Submission guidelines

- i All abstracts should be in English. Use appropriate words and correct grammar.
- ii Abstracts should have a maximum of 300 words.
- iii The abstracts should contain the following information in the order provided
 - ▶ Title of abstract ▶ Full author(s) details
 - ▶ Background, purpose, methods, key findings, conclusion and originality or contribution
- iv All abstracts should be sent in MS Word document format to cotultanzania22@gmail.com

Important dates

- 20th May 2026 - Submission of abstracts
- 20th Jun 2026 - Notification of accepted abstracts
- 30th Aug 2026 - Submission of full papers
- 30th Sept 2026 - Notification of accepted papers
- 30th Oct 2026 - Submission of presentations



Conference Dates

14th to 18th December 2026

Publication: All accepted/presented papers will appear in the COTUL Conference Proceedings.