

Start Date

August 12, 2024

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August 13, 2024

Call for Abstracts

2024 Joint Sectors I Annual Review (JSR)

Theme: Leveraging Digital Transformation to Improve Learning Outcomes for Learners with Special Education Needs and/or Disabilities in Zambia

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- 3. Share lessons for the implementation of digital transformation in education with a focus on



LSEND.

Submission Guidelines

Eligibility: Submissions are welcome from researchers, academicians, education practitioners, and policymakers. These could be locally-based or international.

Content: Papers should provide evidence-based insights and practical recommendations on leveraging digital transformation to improve educational outcomes for LSEND from Zambia and other regions.

Format: Submissions should be not more than 300 words and should include an introduction, purpose, methodology, key findings, and conclusion.

Language: All submissions must be in English.

Submission Process

Abstracts should be submitted via the link below by 11:59 PM on July 25, 2024.

Submit Abstract

Important Dates

Submission Deadline: July 25, 2024

Notification of Acceptance: July 31, 2024

Presentation at JSR Technical Meeting: 12-13 August, 2024

For more information see the Submission Guidelines and Document under 'Publications'.