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Dear Colleagues,

Information and call for presentation

The ECOWAS, especially the Commissioner in charge of Macro-economic Policies, Prof. BAMBA N'Galadjo, in scientific partnership with the sub-region's researchers and academics, is organising a symposium on « New ways to overcome under-development » in Ouagadougou from 2nd to 4th March 2010.

This symposium will bring together more than 120 participants and will provide the platform to put in contact not only researchers from many related academic fields, but also stakeholders in charge of strategies, policies and programmes at different levels, including experts, institutional heads, civil society representatives and the diaspora in order to :

1. rethink the West African region's development and integration ;
2. and propose to the sub-region's Highest Decision-makers concrete economic and social policies which will ultimately help to overcome under-development.

With regard to your thoughts and research on one of the themes chosen by the Scientific Committee, your name was put forward to make a presentation in conformity with the thematic list attached to this letter.

Furthermore, the Symposium Scientific Committee would like to bring to your attention the following information :

1. Before 30th October 2009, selected speakers should :
 - ❖ Propose a title relevant to the Terms of Reference
 - ❖ Present an abstract in one of the ECOWAS working languages : English, French and Portuguese.
 - ❖ The abstract is the window of the work and should therefore be attractive and give an overall picture of the subject bringing out the problem discussed, the methodology used, the main results achieved and the recommendations. It is important to do a diligent work with a glossary of 3 to 5 key words at the end.
2. A guidelines for writing the presentation was sent to you.
3. The contacts are as follows :
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4. For further information visit the symposium Website
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Thanking you for your collaboration which will ensure the success of the programme, the Scientific Committee is entirely at your disposal for any additional information.

Please accept the assurance of our highest considerations.

Professor Moustapha Kassé

**Encl : List of proposed contributors by themes
Guidelines for writing the presentations**