



TANZANIA BANKERS ASSOCIATION

Call for Papers

1st Annual Banking Research Conference

Theme: *Macroeconomic Dynamics and Sustainability in the Tanzanian Banking Sector: Innovations, Challenges, and Policy Implications for Inclusive Growth*

The Tanzania Bankers Association (TBA) invites researchers to submit proposals for papers to be presented at its 1st Annual TBA Banking Research Conference scheduled for Mid-July 2025. The Conference theme will be "Macroeconomic Dynamics and Sustainability in the Tanzanian Banking Sector: Innovations, Challenges, and Policy Implications for Inclusive Growth".

Background:

The banking industry has experienced significant changes in the past decade. These changes have been characterized by technological improvement, innovation, competition, regulatory reforms, and the rising demand for implementing sustainability practices. In the same vein, the industry operates in the national, regional, and macro-economic dynamics that have undergone significant shifts over the years.

This realities have inspired TBA to organize the 1st TBA Banking Research Conference that will be held in July 2025. The main theme of the 1st TBA Research Conference will be "Macroeconomic Dynamics and Sustainability in the Tanzanian Banking Sector: Innovations, Challenges, and Policy Implications for Inclusive Growth"

This theme is designed to encourage researchers to explore the intersection of macroeconomic dynamics, sustainability, and the banking sector while applying advanced econometric models to analyze and derive actionable insights. The theme emphasizes the role of banking in fostering economic resilience, sustainable development, and inclusive growth in the face of evolving global and local macroeconomic challenges. Some non-econometric papers may also be considered

Requirements:

Researchers should submit a written research proposal to the TBA aligned to the above-motivated theme of "Macroeconomic Dynamics and Sustainability in the Tanzanian Banking Sector: Innovations, Challenges, and Policy Implications for Inclusive Growth"

Each proposal should not be more than five pages and should include:

- Motivation of the study
- Key hypotheses to be tested
- Research methodology

The research area can focus on either one of the areas outlined or bring out dimensions of linkages to other areas in the theme line.

The proposal should include a 300 to 500-word abstract.

A brief biography of the researcher/ research team including their professional qualifications and research experience. (Should not be more than two pages)

Sub- themes:

- ✔ **Macroeconomic Shocks and Banking Sector Resilience** (e.g; the impact of inflation, exchange rate volatility, and interest rate fluctuations on banking stability)
- ✔ **Sustainable Finance and Green Banking** (e.g relationship between ESG, green lending, and economic growth)
- ✔ **Financial Inclusion and Economic Empowerment** (e.g.; Analysing the impact of digital banking and fintech innovations on financial inclusion; analysis of the role of microfinance and SME lending in reducing income inequality, etc.
- ✔ **Climate Risk and Banking Sector Vulnerability** (e.g; the impact of climate change on credit risk and asset quality in the banking sector; Modelling of climate-related financial risks and their macroeconomic implications, etc)
- ✔ **Regulatory Frameworks and Banking Sector Sustainability** (e.g. Modeling the impact of Basel III and other regulatory reforms on banking sector performance; Econometric analysis of the trade-offs between financial regulation and economic growth, etc)
- ✔ **Technological Innovations and the Future of Banking** (e.g Assessing the macroeconomic implications of blockchain, AI, and digital currencies in banking; Analysing the relationship between technological adoption and banking efficiency, etc

Important Dates

March 31, 2025	April 15, 2025	May 15, 2025	mid-June 2025	Mid-July 2025	August 2025
Paper submission deadline	Selection of research papers and notification of authors	The full research papers completed by the authors and submitted to TBA	Technical Review Workshop (Virtual /in-person)	1st Annual TBA Banking Research Conference (2-days)	Submission of revised full research papers and policy briefs to TBA

Submission Deadline

31ST MARCH 2025

An honorarium will be provided for each paper selected for presentation at the Conference. Additionally, all conference papers will undergo a review process for potential publication in the forthcoming TBA Working Paper Series.

Submission:

Researchers responding to this call can submit their research proposals by sending an email as indicated below:

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