

CONFERENCES

African Regional Population Conference Accra, Ghana.

9—18 December 1971.

Theme :

The International Union for the scientific study of population and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa will hold a Regional conference on Population in African development (PAD) in Co-operation with the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF).

This conference will take place from 9 to 18 December 1971, in Accra, Ghana. The theme of the conference will be the contribution which the science of demography can make toward raising the standard of life of the African peoples.

The programme is arranged to give opportunities for a comprehensive review of population characteristics, prospects and policies in the region and of how the increasing knowledge and understanding can best be used in development planning.

There will also be group meetings on special topics of demographic methodology.

Presentation of Papers :

There will be five types of papers for the conference :

- (a) Organisers statement.
- (b) Solicited papers presented by individuals at the request of organisers of sessions (no more than five papers per session).
- (c) Back ground (or working) papers presented by the UNECA secretariat and other international agencies.

- (d) Contributed papers presented spontaneously by individuals who wish to take part in the conference.
- (e) Country statements which will be prepared by African countries.

Scientific Programme :

The meetings will be of two types :

- (a) Plenary sessions.
- (b) Special group meetings.

Plenary sessions :

Session I : 1. Population prospects in Africa :

- (a) Size, structure and socio-economic characteristics of the population.
- (b) Fertility.
- (c) Mortality.

Session II : (d) Spatial distribution of population.
(e) Internal migration and urbanization.
(f) International migration.

Session III : 2. Demographic Data collection :

- (a) Population censuses.
- (b) Vital registration.
- (c) Non-conventional sources of demographic data.

Session IV : 3. Analysis and Presentation of demographic data for the use of planners and administrators.

- 4. Application of Demography in planning for social and economic development :

Session V : (a) Public Health.

- Session VI** : (b) Education.
- Session VII** : (c) Land uses agriculture and food supply.
(d) Industrialization.
- Session VIII** : (e) Labour force.
- Session IX** : (f) Resettlement and urbanization.
(g) Housing and community development.
- Session X** : 5. Population Policy and Programmes :
- (a) Family Planning : social and health aspects,
policy formulation and implementation.
- (b) Spatial redistribution.
- (c) Other policies and programmes.
- Special group meetings** :
- (a) Methods of population projections.
- (b) Techniques of Family planning and evaluation.
- (c) Methods of analysis of limited and defective data.
- (d) Methods of manpower calculations.
- (e) Data processing.

The Statistical Conference

The Institute of Statistical Studies and Research holds annual statistical conferences to cover various aspects of theoretical as well as applied statistics, the following topics are included.

Financial statistics, social statistics and family planning, health statistics, agricultural statistics, demographic statistics and economic statistics.

The eighth conference will be held in march 1972, in the mean time the Scientific Computation Centre will hold his annual conference on electronic computation.

Representative from Arab countries participate in this conference, which help to increase understanding and co-operation besides improving statistical knowledge in the Arab Nation.

Presentation of Papers :

Participants must present a summary of the papers they wish to discuss before the end of december 1971, the papers has to be delivered before 15th February 1972 to the conference secretariat.