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Dear AFAM Members,

We hope you are all keeping well in this pandemic. COVID-19 is affecting all countries. How it affects African countries and educational institutions specifically is important to AFAM. As a result, we have organized a webinar on Managing and Leading Educational Institutions in Africa During COVID-19 on Friday, September 4 at 11-1230 EST; 3 – 430 GMT via Zoom. We have put together a panel of academics who have experience on the topic.

Prof. Sherif Kamel, Dean, School of Business, American University in Cairo, Egypt.
Prof. John Gyapong, Vice Chancellor, University for Health and Allied Sciences at Ho, Ghana,
Prof. Bill Puplampu, Vice Chancellor, Central University, Accra, Ghana
Prof. Bradley Googins, Boston College, USA; E4IMPACT.

As shown in their bios below, they are all actively engaged in leading and managing in educational institutions in Africa.

To ensure participation in this conversation please register through the Eventbrite link below. Through Zoom (the institutional account of Xavier University, there are up to 200 places.

Registration link [here](#). Once you get to the Eventbrite site, click on the View Event Details on the left upper hand side of the screen. It will take you to the page to REGISTER and ask for your details. You will be able to register there for **free**.

Please forward the link to others in your own networks. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the moderators, Baniyelme Zoogah, zoogahd@xavier.edu and Stella Nkomo, nkomosm@gmail.com. You may also enquire from the AFAM Communications Chair, Nceku Nyathi, nqnyathi@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on September 4, 2020

Moderators

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Bios

Prof. Sherif Kamel is a Professor of Management and Dean of the School of Business at the American University in Cairo. His teaching and research interests include digital transformation, information technology transfer to developing nations, decision support systems and entrepreneurship. His work is published in IS and management journals and books and he is the editor of three books. He is the associate editor of the Journal of IT for Development and the Journal of Cases on Information Technology. He is a member of the AACSB International MENA Advisory Council and founding member of the Internet Society of Egypt. He was member of the World Bank Knowledge Advisory Commission and board member of the Association of African Business Schools. Prof. Kamel holds a PhD in information systems from London School of Economics and Political Science, an MBA, and an MA in Islamic Art and Architecture from the American University in Cairo.

Prof. John O. Gyapong is Public Health Physician and an Epidemiologist. He was appointed Vice Chancellor of the University of Health and Allied Sciences, Ho, Ghana in August 2016. Preceding this, He was for five years, the Pro-Vice Chancellor for Research Innovation and Development and Professor in Epidemiology and Disease Control at the University of Ghana. He is also an Adjunct Professor of International Health at the Georgetown University in Washington. He is a fellow of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons, the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene and the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene; and a Member of the Ghana Medical Association. Professor Gyapong has won several awards; the most recent being The *Kyelem Prize* for his unique contributions to the efforts to control, eliminate, and eradicate neglected tropical diseases.

Prof. Bill Buenar Puplambu is a UK Chartered Psychologist and currently the Vice Chancellor of Central University, Ghana. Prior to this, he was Pro Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Business School at the same University. He has held teaching roles at the University of Ghana, University of Westminster (UK) and University of East London (UK). His research interests and publications are on employee motivation, leadership and organisational culture in the African contexts. A graduate of the German Deans' Course for Africa, he has participated in forums on Higher Education Management. He is a member of the Africa Academy of Management, the British Psychological Society and the Hamburg Global University Leaders Council. He serves on Ghana's National Insurance Commission; the National Development Planning Commission and is a Fellow of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Prof. Bradley Googins was a Professor in Organizational Studies (Ret) at the Boston College's Carroll School of Management. From 1997-2009 he was also the Executive Director of the Boston College Center for Corporate Citizenship, a research and education center with over 300 leading corporations as members that served as a leading voice in the U.S. on the role of business in society. He was the founder of the Global Education and Research Network, a group of 12 of the leading CSR institutions across the globe from Latin America, Asia, and Europe. Prior to Boston College Dr. Googins was a professor in the Graduate School of Social Work at Boston University where he founded the Center for Work & Family at Boston University that he moved to Boston College in 1997. He was selected and served as a National Kellogg Leadership Fellow from 1989- 1992. Currently, he is a Visiting Professor of Strategy at the Catholic University of Milan and a Senior Fellow at the Lewis Institute on Social Innovation Babson College. His primary focus is on Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation and is a Senior Fellow for E4Impact Africa, an initiative creating the next generation of entrepreneurs in Africa and building the capacity of African Universities in entrepreneurship. He is currently working in Zimbabwe, Uganda and Ethiopia. He has authored dozens of books, monographs, and articles on corporate issues, most recently *Beyond Good Company: Next Generation Corporate Citizenship*, published by Palgrave in December 2007.

