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ecohealth is a research approach that addresses health in the context of the physical and socio-political-cultural ecological environment. The approach is premised on six pillars; systems thinking, transdisciplinary, stakeholder participation, gender and social equity, knowledge to action and sustainability. This concept was introduced to Africa many years back by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC - Canada) and many ecohealth research projects in Africa have been supported through this initiative. Within this context an ecohealth Research network in Southern Africa (ECOHESA) was formed (<http://143.95.80.138/~ecohesa/>).

Promoting ecohealth Research in Africa Scientific Committee invites the submission of abstracts of original work. Abstracts can be submitted for consideration for an oral presentation or a hard copy poster in the following categories:

Four themes for the conference are as follows:

1. ecohealth and exploitation of natural resources (mining, agriculture and tourism)
2. ecohealth and Local Knowledge Systems-An African perspective
3. Health challenges and opportunities for urbanization in Africa
4. ecohealth as gateway for poverty alleviation

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