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Call for Book Chapters

**Theme: Six Decades of Production of Historical Knowledge at Dar es
Salaam:
Continuities and Change**

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Introduction

The Department of History at the University of Dar es salaam will turn 60 years in 2024. To mark this anniversary, the department calls for chapter contributions to explore continuities and change in the production of historical knowledge over six decades of its existence. As one of the oldest academic units at the University of Dar es Salaam, eminent historians have shaped the Department with diverse approaches to historical scholarship. Among the renowned historians who worked in the Department include Professors T.O. Ranger, Isaria N. Kimambo, Arnold J. Temu, Bonaventure Swai, Walter Rodney, John Iliffe, John Lonsdale and Abdul Sheriff. Others included; Henry Bernstein, Jacques Depelchin, Ernest Wamba-dia-Wamba and Henry Slater. The audacity of probing into the African past attracted scholars from far and wide and their works contributed to the famous Dar es Salaam School. Their works had impact on the thematic and methodological underpinnings of historical scholarship in Tanzania. Although the Department distinguished itself as a centre for debates over national and international issues, there is no single volume that provides an overview of the continuities and change in the production of historical knowledge over the sixty years of its existence. This volume, therefore, attempts to fill that void.

Scope and Purpose

We aim to produce an edited volume with a collection of contributions covering theoretical and methodological issues that have shaped historical scholarship in Tanzania. Scholars are invited to contribute in a book that is expected to be out when we celebrate the sixty years of the Department of History in 2024. Contributions are invited in the following areas;

- i. History Teaching; Theory and Practice
- ii. Politics and Academic Freedom
- iii. The Dar es Salaam School of Thought
- iv. Public History
- v. Oral History and African History
- vi. Historical Sources and Challenges
- vii. Historical Research in Tanzania: Dynamics and Continuities
- viii. History and Allied Sciences
- ix. Africanising History
- x. First Generation of Historians at Dar es Salaam: their Contributions, Retirement and Exit

Timeframe

We invite interested contributors to submit abstracts of not more than 250 words indicating the areas they want to focus. Abstracts will be received between **April** and **August 2022**. Potential authors will receive feedback on their abstracts as soon as they submit but not later than **30th September 2022**. Authors of accepted manuscripts will be required to develop the proposed chapters (**5,000 – 8,000 words**) as soon as their submissions are accepted where the Chicago Manual of Style will be used with footnotes as a preference. Completed chapters may be submitted for review purposes anytime but not later than **31st March 2023**. Contributors will present improved draft chapters at the **Isaria Kimambo Annual Workshop** to be held in **December 2023** at the University of Dar es Salaam. After the workshop, participants will improve their manuscripts for further correspondence with the editors and publishers. The volume is expected to be out in 2024 when we celebrate sixty years of knowledge production at Dar es Salaam.

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