



MicroResearch Forum Information Sheet

June 6-7, 2022

Forum objectives:

1. Provide an opportunity for MicroResearch PIs to present their research
2. Encourage networking with other MicroResearchers from East Africa
3. Create a dialogue around the forum themes: Networking, Digital storytelling, and Decolonization/Democratization of community-based research

Key presentations

Each section of the forum will begin with a 10-minute presentation on the corresponding session theme: (I) Networking, (II) Digital Storytelling and (III) two talks on the Decolonization and Democratization of community-based research. Each session will be followed by project presentations and a panel discussion.

Participant MicroResearch project presentations:

Potential presenters will be invited by MR or can apply to present through MR (microresearch@dal.ca). Presenters will be the PIs of projects that have been completed or are currently ongoing. Completed project presentations will be allotted 10 minutes, while ongoing project presentations will be allotted 5 minutes.

In order to adhere to the strict presentation time limits, presenters will be asked to submit their PowerPoint with an embedded voice recording of their presentation ahead of time. These will be **due Wednesday June 1, 2022** to ensure adequate audio quality. MR will play each presentation's recording through the Zoom conference call.

In order to apply to present on a research project, please submit an expression of interest to MR by May 20.

Panel discussions:

Panel discussions will be held on each of the three themes: networking, digital storytelling, and decolonization and democratization of community-based research. Each panel discussion will commence with a short presentation followed by African examples with short presentations from MicroResearch projects. After the presentations, the panelists will make general comments on the topic, as well as provide feedback on the project presentation.

Forum attendees/guests:

The forum will also be attended by guests who will not be presenting or participating as a round table panelist. These attendees can register through MicroResearch or their local site organizer. Certificates of attendance will be given to these attendees.

To register to attend the forum, visit shorturl.at/bFV45

Forum Schedule

June 6: (All times in East African Time)

11:00 – 11:30

Welcome and introduction

- Outline of agenda, explain forum process and how to provide feedback
- Welcome
- Overview of MicroResearch Strategic Doing key priorities

11:30 – 13:00

Part I: Networking

- Presentation on MR Networks (20 min)
- 2 project presentations related to MR networks (5-10 min each + discussion)

13:00 – 13:30

Refreshment break

13:30 – 14:30

Networking Cont.

- 3 project presentations related to MR networks (5-10 min each + discussion)

14:30 – 15:00

Keynote speaker

Presentation on “Networking from African and Canadian perspectives”

15:00 – 16:30

Panel discussion on Networking

- Chair and panelists from East Africa and Canada

16:30

Wrap up

June 7: (All times in East African Time)

11:00 – 11:05

Welcome back and Introduction to Storytelling

11:05 – 12:30

Part II: Digital Storytelling

- Presentation what digital storytelling is and how to do it (30 minutes)
- Viewing of short storytelling videos and discussion
- 2 project presentations related to storytelling/KT (10 minutes each + discussion)

12:30 – 13:00

Refreshment break

13:00 – 14:30

Panel discussion on Application of Storytelling

- Chair and panelists from East Africa and Canada

14:30 – 15:00

Part III: Democratization and Decolonization

Keynote presentation on “Decolonization and Democratization in the MR context”

15:00 – 16:30

Panel discussion about democratization and decolonization and the way forward

16:30

Thank you and final comments