



GEOGRAPHY 2050: AFRICA SHAPING TOMORROW

NOVEMBER 19 & 20, 2026 | THE SCHOMBURG CENTER, NYC

Join policymakers, geographers, researchers, business leaders, and innovators from across Africa and around the world for the Geography 2050: Africa Shaping Tomorrow Symposium. Together, participants will explore the critical geographic forces shaping Africa's future, from urbanization and climate resilience to geospatial technologies, economic development, and regional cooperation.

This is a chance to have meaningful conversations, share new research and ideas, build partnerships, and chart paths toward a more sustainable, prosperous, and connected future for the continent. We'd welcome your participation in sessions, panels, workshops, and networking events focused on tomorrow's Africa.

Connect with a wide geo-community at our annual fall symposium and engage with one of the most dynamic cities in the world, New York City. **Early Bird Registration ends on September 17!**

[Learn More & Register Here](#)

Symposium Themes

- Population Dynamics: Youthful, Growing, and Mobile
- Spatial Futures of Human Health
- Environment, Conservation, and Collaboration
- Spatial Futures of Food Systems
- Geopolitics: Diplomacy and National Security
- Geospatial Innovation and Technology

Upcoming Deadlines

Interested in presenting a **5-minute Lightning Talk onstage or taking part in our Poster Exhibition?**

Mark your calendar:

- Proposals are due September 15.
- Notification of acceptance by September 28.