



## INVITATION CALL FOR PAPERS

### 17<sup>TH</sup> SCIENTIFIC SEMINAR OF THE BANCO DE MOÇAMBIQUE

Theme: "Regulation and Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the National Financial System: Risks and Opportunities"

Date: 16 June 2026

The Banco de Moçambique announces that the 17th edition of its Scientific Seminar will take place on 16 June 2026, under the theme: "Regulation and Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the National Financial System: Risks and Opportunities." In this light, the Bank invites all interested parties to submit research proposals on this topic.

#### About the 17th Scientific Seminar Theme

The adoption of AI in the financial system brings not only opportunities but also challenges, which has led to growing concern among various authorities about its responsible use.

The Banco de Moçambique is particularly interested in papers that provide insights relevant to the country, with emphasis – though not exclusively – on the following topics:

- Challenges and opportunities of AI for the Mozambican financial system;
- Implications of AI for the stability of the financial system;
- The role of AI in decision-making within the financial system: convergences and conflicts between automation and human judgment;
- Challenges and opportunities in the use of technology-based supervision (suptech);
- Approaches to the regulation and supervision of AI in the financial system;
- The process of identifying, monitoring, and mitigating financial risks in the context of AI usage in the financial system;
- Applications of big data and AI in monetary policy; and
- The interaction between AI and financial innovation and its impact on the efficiency of the payment system.

#### Submission Guidelines of Research Proposals

Interested parties are requested to submit their research proposals in PDF format no later than 9 September 2025 to the following email address: [jocibam\\_2026@bancomoc.mz](mailto:jocibam_2026@bancomoc.mz)

Proposals should not exceed 1,500 words (approx. 5 pages in Times New Roman, font size 12, with 1.5 line spacing), and must include the following elements:

- i. A clear and concise title;
- ii. Full name(s) of the author(s) and their respective contact details (telephone number and email address);
- iii. An introduction outlining the research problem and its justification, the relevance of the topic, and the objective of the paper;
- iv. A literature review (both theoretical and empirical);
- v. A description of the methodology to be employed; and
- vi. A list of bibliographic references.

#### Procedures for the Assessment of Research Project Proposals and Final Papers

Proposals will be reviewed by an external and independent panel of reviewers, not affiliated with the Banco de Moçambique, following a double-blind review process.

All authors will be notified by the Banco de Moçambique of the evaluation results by **6 October 2025**, via email. Authors whose proposals are selected will receive comments and recommendations from the panel to support the further development of their research.

The final version of the research paper (up to 15,000 words) must be submitted in PDF format to the same email address by **2 March 2026**, along with a brief curriculum vitae of the author(s), not exceeding one page. Please note that the author(s) must ensure that the submitted papers are original and unpublished.

By **30 April 2026**, authors will be notified of the final assessment. Papers that meet high technical and scientific quality standards (up to three in total) will be selected by the panel for presentation in a public session during the 17th Scientific Seminar.

The external jury will assess, among other aspects, the framing and clarity of the topic; the identification of the research problem; the clarity of the study's objectives; the appropriateness and clear description of the methodology employed; the depth of the literature review; the relevance and consistency of the study's results; the analytical rigor and clarity in argumentation; the pertinence of the conclusions and recommendations; the overall scientific quality and contribution of the paper; and the relevance of the citations and references.

#### Incentives for Authors

The main incentives to be awarded by the Banco de Moçambique are as follows:

- **Monetary awards** for authors of the papers selected for public presentation during the main session of the 17<sup>th</sup> Scientific Seminar;
- **Non-monetary incentives**, such as certificates of participation, for authors of papers selected for public presentation;
- **Publication** in the *Scientific Seminar Proceedings booklet* of the Banco de Moçambique of the papers selected for public presentation, as well as those that the panel deems to meet the required technical and scientific quality standards.
- **Invitation** to all candidates who submit a final version of their paper to attend the public session of the 17<sup>th</sup> Scientific Seminar.

#### Eligibility Requirements for Submission of Research Proposals

Interested individuals - including staff members of the Banco de Moçambique - must hold at least a **Bachelor's Degree** and be available to present their research findings in person during the 17<sup>th</sup> Scientific Seminar. Participation is particularly encouraged from academics, including senior researchers, lecturers, and Master's and Doctoral students in fields related to the conference theme.

#### Contact and Correspondence

Queries and requests for clarification should be addressed to the event's Scientific Coordination Team via the following email: [jocibam\\_2026@bancomoc.mz](mailto:jocibam_2026@bancomoc.mz).

It is recommended to browse the official website of the Banco de Moçambique at <https://www.bancomoc.mz/pt/media/jornadas-cientificas/>, by navigating to the *Media » Scientific Seminar* section.

#### Key Dates:

- **9 September 2025:** Deadline for submission of research project proposals;
- **6 October 2025:** Notification by the Banco de Moçambique regarding acceptance or rejection of proposals;
- **2 March 2026:** Deadline for submission of the final version of research papers to the Banco de Moçambique;
- **30 April 2026:** Notification by the Banco de Moçambique regarding selection of papers for public presentation;
- **16 June 2026:** 17<sup>th</sup> Scientific Seminar of the Banco de Moçambique.

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