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*“Regional and Global Ethiopia – Interconnections and Identities”*

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FOURTH CIRCULAR FOR ICES20 – Confirmation of Panel Submission

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Dear Potential Participants of ICES20,

Thank you very much to many of you who have submitted the panel proposals. The organizing committee is currently reviewing the submissions.

Due to the temporary internet shutdown in Ethiopia from the week of 29 May with very short interruptions, we are sorry that we have not been able to promptly communicate with you. This situation may continue until 9 June

There is one more technical detail to be discussed. **We have found that some panel submissions were automatically deleted by Gmail** (which hosts the Mekelle University mail), due to Gmail's security measures. At this point, we have found that when the panel organizer's address is [\\*\\*\\*@yahoo.com](#), [\\*\\*\\*@yahoo.co.uk](#), [\\*\\*\\*@yahoo.de](#), Gmail seems to have deleted the submissions. (The organizers received confirmation messages even in these cases, as the problem is on the side of Gmail and not the conference website.)

In order to make sure that all the submissions were received, **the organizing committee sent out manual confirmation messages to the panel organizers (Title: “Manual Confirmation of Panel Submission to ICES20”). If you have submitted a panel proposal but did not receive this message, we would like to kindly ask you to resubmit your panel to [ices20@mu.edu.et](mailto:ices20@mu.edu.et).**

We are very sorry for the inconvenience caused.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mitiku'.

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