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Alliance for African Partnership, Africa's Premier Research Partnership Convenes in Malawi for 2025 AAP Consortium Meeting

**Lilongwe, Malawi – June 9–11, 2025** – The Alliance for African Partnership (AAP) will convene its Annual Consortium Meeting in Lilongwe, Malawi, bringing together university leaders, researchers, and stakeholders from across the continent and beyond. This year's meeting is co-hosted with the Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR), reinforcing the consortium's commitment to strengthening research, innovation, and transformative partnerships that improve lives across Africa.

Held under the theme of collaboration, innovation, and impact, the 2025 gathering is set to showcase AAP's achievements and chart future directions aligned with its five-year strategic plan. The event will also spotlight Michigan State University's long-term engagement in Malawi and its leadership in global research partnerships.

## **Key Objectives of the 2025 Meeting Include:**

- Introducing AAP university leaders to the consortium and MSU's legacy of collaboration in Africa.
- Reviewing the progress and implementation of AAP's five-year strategic goals.
- Showcasing AAP's research excellence and capacity-building initiatives across partner institutions.
- Hosting a Higher Education Forum with the Malawian private sector to explore shared priorities.

The Annual Consortium Meeting serves as a critical platform for dialogue, cross-sectoral engagement, and the co-creation of solutions that address Africa's most pressing challenges, from health and education to climate resilience and inclusive economic development.

## **About AAP:**

The Alliance for African Partnership (AAP) is a consortium of universities and research institutions that work together to promote equitable partnerships, sustainable development, and African-led innovation.

"The AAP Consortium continues to be a dynamic force for change, linking African institutions with global partners in pursuit of meaningful, locally driven research that has real-world impact," said AAP Africa Director- Prof. Richard Mkandawire.

Participants will benefit from collaborative workshops, strategic sessions, and informal networking opportunities designed to deepen institutional ties and spark new research initiatives.

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