

CALL FOR PAPERS

Correctional Service Week Conference 2026

The State Department for Correctional Services invites the submission of papers, presentations, and other contributions highlighting good practices, innovations, emerging approaches, case studies, testimonials, and measurable impacts in advancing transformational correctional services.

Selected submissions will be presented during the **Correctional Service Week (CSW) Conference 2026**, scheduled to take place at **The Edge Convention Centre, Nairobi**, from **13th to 15th October 2026**.

Conference Theme

Transforming Correctional Services through Technology and Green Solutions

Conference Objectives

The conference seeks to convene practitioners, policymakers, and stakeholders to exchange knowledge, foster collaboration, and showcase innovation in correctional services. Specifically, the CSW aims to:

- Facilitate knowledge sharing, experience exchange, and professional networking
- Host policy roundtables and executive dialogues
- Showcase technological innovations and green solutions in corrections
- Recognize and award outstanding correctional practitioners and institutions

Sub-Themes

Submissions should align with one or more of the following thematic areas:

- Digitalization in correctional services
- Green infrastructure and sustainable facilities
- Electronic solutions and innovative technologies
- Climate-smart agriculture and environmental conservation
- Human rights and ethics in corrections
- Peacebuilding and security

Conference Timelines

- Abstract Submission Deadline: 27th July 2026
- Full Paper Submission Deadline: 28th August 2026

Submission Links (csw@correctional.go.ke)

- **Abstract Submission:**
- **Conference Registration:**

Submission Guidelines

Submissions may take the form of:

- Oral presentations
- Panel discussions
- Interactive workshops
- Poster presentations

All submissions will be evaluated based on quality, relevance, and alignment with the conference theme and sub-themes. Contributors are encouraged to incorporate research, data, evidence-based findings, and lived experiences where applicable.

Eligibility

Submissions are welcomed from:

- Practitioners and correctional professionals
- Academics and researchers
- Justice sector officials
- Individuals with lived experience
- International organizations and development partners
- Other stakeholders contributing to correctional reforms

Private sector organizations are strongly encouraged to co-present with public sector partners, where appropriate.

Selection Considerations

To promote **diversity and inclusivity**, the CSW 2026 Programming may:

- Limit multiple submissions from the same individual or institution
- Consolidate similar submissions into joint presentations

Submission Requirements

All submissions must:

- Clearly align with the conference theme and relevant sub-theme(s)
- Include:
 - Abstract
 - Abstract overview
 - Speaker and co-speaker biographies and photographs
- Provide at least three discussion questions
- Include properly cited references where research or outcomes are presented
- Be non-commercial and not product-focused

Applicants must also indicate:

- Preferred theme/sub-theme
- Proposed session format (note: final allocation may differ)

Contact Information

For further inquiries, please contact the CSW Secretariat:
csw@correctional.go.ke