Aims and Scope
This symposium is inspired by the thinking of Prof. Ali A. Mazrui, who invented the term “Afrabia” to describe the potential special relationship between Africa and the Middle East countries. The symposium intends to use neuroscience as a potent tool to facilitate the integration of the Afro-Arab scientific communities in finding solutions to the regions' common problems.

Theme of the Symposium
Addiction and Related Mental Health Disorders

TOPICS
- The Burden of Mental Illness in the AFRABIA Region
- Social Isolation: The Effects of Stigma and Discrimination
- Addictive Disorders: Current knowledge and future directions
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Comorbidity

Who Should Attend?
- Postgraduate students, postdoctoral fellows, faculty, research scientists, clinicians, and mental health advocates.
- Participants who would like to make an oral presentation in the symposium should submit an abstract of not more than 300 words on any of the topics of the symposium and send as an email attachment to sadiqyus@gmail.com NOT later than September 30, 2019

- Scholarships will be available to defray the cost of accommodation and meals. To be eligible for the award, you must apply online at https://ibro.org/ibro-arc-afrabia-symposium-on-addiction-and-related-mental-health-disorders/ Application Deadline: July 4th (midnight CET)

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