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Dear Olowogbon, Toyin Samuel,

On behalf of Christopher Barrett, Michael Carter, Abebe Shimeles, Tavneet Suri, and Christopher R. Udry, I am writing to invite you to participate in a National Bureau of Economic Research Conference: Transforming Rural Africa. The meeting will be held at the Royal Sonesta Hotel, 40 Edwin H. Land Blvd., Cambridge, MA on February 28 and March 1, 2019. This conference is made possible by the generous support of the African Development Bank.

The program is attached.

The conference will bring together researchers who offer a range of perspectives on the structural transformation underway in rural Africa, and will especially emphasize micro-scale evidence from households and firms and factors that influence the quality of life for African people.

Since you are a presenting author, the conference will pay for up to three nights at the Royal Sonesta Hotel. I will make hotel reservations as requested at the reply link.

Since you have indicated your preference that the Travel Section of the African Development Bank (AFDB) should book your air ticket. The AFDB representative Ms. Veronique AKA ([v.aka@afdb.org](mailto:v.aka@afdb.org)) and Mrs. Eve KRA ([a.ra@afdb.org](mailto:a.ra@afdb.org)) will send you the details of your air tickets as soon as it is ready.   
Cordially,

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