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registrations and other matters



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Visit the IAIAsa 2017 National Conference website to register!

http://www.iaiasaconference2017.co.za

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# 1. IMPORTANT DEADLINE: STANDARD REGISTRATIONS

Standard registrations will close on **Friday**, **7 July 2017**.

#### **FURTHER REMINDERS:**

- The conference registration price **includes breakfast** on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- IAIAsa offers a **prize of free accommodation** for the 25th, 75th and 150th <u>paid</u> conference registrations (accommodation at Goudini Spa, terms and conditions apply).

# 2. UPDATED DRAFT CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

A more detailed Updated Draft Conference programme is now available.

The Programme is "action-packed" and promise a spectacular conference not to be missed!

Click here to download the updated Draft Conference Programme.

# 3. EXCITING CONFERENCE PROGRAMME ANNOUNCEMENT SESSION BY THE IFC

We are excited to announce that the International Finance Corporation (IFC) will host a session at the conference on the **environmental and social risk management (ESRM) program** it is currently launching in South Africa. This programme aims to, amongst others, build the capacity of consultants to support the implementation of environmental and social standards and best practices by banks.

This session will add significant value to the conference and is not to be missed!

## 4. CONFERENCE KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

We are pleased to announce that the conference will be addressed by **three** Key Note Speakers, one during each day of the conference. The Key Note Speakers will be:

Judge Dennis Davis, Judge of the High Court since 1998, UCT Hon. Professor of law;

**Prof Johan Nel,** founder and manager of the Centre for Environmental Management, North West University; and

Mr Peter Lukey, Chief Policy Adviser of Strategic Environmental Intelligence, DEA.

Do not miss out on the above outstanding key note speeches, register for the IAIAsa Conference 2017 TODAY.

# 5. "PICTURE THIS"

You are invited to submit your most **inspirational images** for participation in the "Picture This" session at conference. The images should relate to the conference theme of crafting solutions to persistent environmental and social problems.

The images can be photos, artworks or cartoons (but preferably cartoons without text as the purpose is to have the image speak for itself).

The closing date for submissions is Wednesday, 26 July 2017.

Please click here for more information and to submit your image.

Do not delay, submit your inspirational images today.

# 6. REMINDER: IAIASA PREMIUM, ADVANCE AND CONFERENCE AWARDS

We would like to remind you of the IAIAsa Premium, Advance and Conference Awards for which the winners will be announced at the IAIAsa Conference 2017 Gala Dinner on Thursday, 17 August 2017:

### THE IAIAsa PREMIUM AWARD 2017

<u>Objective:</u> To recognize individual or team excellence in integrated environmental management (IEM) practice that profiles the environmental profession through demonstrating a clear contribution to environmental sustainability.

#### THE IAIAsa ADVANCE AWARD 2017

<u>Objective:</u> To showcase best practice in integrated environmental management in South Africa. This award seeks to recognize innovative concepts, activities, tools, ideas, methods, etc. that people from across the sector have developed, applied or conceptualised, or which they implement/apply in their everyday operations, and which demonstrate best practice in IEM. It is the 'cumulative impact' of such efforts that will raise the profile and standing of the sector.

### **IAIAsa CONFERENCE AWARD 2017**

<u>Objective:</u> To recognise academic and presentation excellence and presenters' abilities to clearly demonstrate concepts to a wide audience.

The Conference Awards will be presented based on voting undertaken by the attendees of the conference, and accordingly there are not set criteria. As done at the 2016 conference, this will be done electronically via a conference app.

## **Important dates for Premium and Advance Awards:**

- Nominations and supporting documentation to be submitted by: 14 July 2017
- Adjudication committee to decide on finalists: 28 July 2017
- Finalists to be informed: 2 August 2017

Please click <u>here</u> for more information on the above awards, and to download the Premium and Advanced Awards nomination forms.

### We look forward to receiving your submissions!

# 7. ACCOMMODATION HELD BY GOUDINI SPA

Accommodation is very kindly being held by Goudini Spa for IAIAsa conference delegates. Staying at the resort for conference is the most affordable and convenient option, and of course also the most fun.

The resort needs to minimise their risk and so accommodation not taken up by our delegates timeously is released periodically to the public. All units held for the conference will be released to the public on **15 July 2017.** 

If you would like to make sure that you don't miss out please download the booking form <u>here</u> or from the accommodation page on the conference website and make your bookings soonest.

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