

51st Annual Congress

Grassland Society of Southern Africa

incorporating

the 7th Research Skills Workshop

and an

Invasive Plants Workshop



3rd July until 8th July 2016

Wilderness Hotel Resort and Spa
Wilderness, Western Cape, South Africa

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR
ABSTRACTS & SPECIAL SESSION PROPOSALS

The Annual Congress will be hosted by the Western Cape Province at the Wilderness Hotel Resort and Spa, Wilderness, situated 10 km from George and 23 km from George Airport (airport shuttle will be available). The accommodation, conferencing and other facilities at Wilderness Hotel are in close proximity to one another, encouraging networking, productive meetings and a varied social programme!

All those interested in presenting platform and poster presentations as well as research proposal posters are invited to submit abstracts for consideration. In addition, the Congress will host special sessions and workshops - if you would like to submit a proposal for a session or workshop, please do so as soon as possible. All delegates are encouraged to submit contributions to the African Journal of Range and Forage Science, internationally recognised and peer-reviewed journal of the Grassland Society of Southern Africa. Remember that page charges for all papers published by members of the Grassland Society of Southern Africa will be FREE OF CHARGE!!

The Congress will be incorporating the highly acclaimed Research Skills Workshop to be held from 3 to 4 July 2016 as well as an Invasive Species Workshop on Friday 8 July 2016.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Workshop and special session proposals	15 JAN'16	Abstracts (research proposal posters)	6 MAY'16
Early bird payments	4 MAR'16	C51 & RSW2016 registration closes	19 JUN'16
Abstracts (platforms and standard posters)	25 MAR'16	C51 & RSW2016 payments due	26 JUN'16
Student sponsorship applications	25 MAR'16	Late payments	1 AUG'16

SUN 3 JULY	MON 4 JULY	TUE 5 JULY	WED 6 JULY	THU 7 JULY	FRI 8 JULY
RESEARCH SKILLS WORKSHOP 10H00-18H00	RESEARCH SKILLS WORKSHOP 08H00-17H00 COUNCIL MEETING 08H00-13H00 CONGRESS OPENING 18H00	CONGRESS 08H00-15H30 GSSA AGM 16H00-18H00	MID-CONGRESS TOURS 08H00-18H00	CONGRESS 08H00-17H00 GALA DINNER 19H00 CONGRESS CLOSING	INVASIVE PLANTS WORKSHOP 08H00-17H00

REGISTRATION COSTS (including VAT)	FULL-TIME STUDENTS BEFORE 2016/06/26	BEFORE 2016/03/04	AFTER 2016/03/04 UNTIL 2016/06/26
Research Skills Workshop Delegate (Sunday welcome tea, lunch, afternoon tea and dinner, Monday lunch and two teas, plus workshop materials, NO accommodation)	R 1 850.00	R 2 640.00	R 2 850.00
Congress 50 Registration: Members (NO accommodation, includes congress attendance, all teas, lunches and dinners from Monday night until Thursday night, mid-Congress tour and primary membership of the Society for 2017; members with ANY outstanding fees will be required to register at the non-member rate)	R 4 000.00	R 4 850.00	R 5 250.00
Congress 50 Registration: Non-Members (NO accommodation, includes congress attendance, all teas, lunches and dinners from Monday night until Thursday night, mid-Congress tour and primary membership of the Society for 2017, if desired)	R 4 000.00	R 5 450.00	R 5 850.00
Day Delegate (includes teas, lunch and supper on day of attendance; daily rate for one or two days)	R1 100.00	R 1 500.00	R 1 600.00
Invasive Species Workshop (includes teas and lunch, plus workshop materials)	R 500.00	R 750.00	R 820.00
Opening Function (Monday night for day delegates attending one or two days)	R 200.00	R 250.00	R 350.00
Gala Dinner (Thursday night for accompanying persons not using options below)	R 350.00	R 350.00	R 375.00
Accompanying Persons (NO accommodation, includes all meals as for delegates)	N/A	R 1 600.00	R 1 760.00
Accompanying Persons (NO accommodation, includes ONLY evening meals)	N/A	R 1 000.00	R 1 100.00

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, CONTACT:
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