

INVITATION

THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA (DMISA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THEME: "BUILDING DISASTER RESILIENCE IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS"

WEDNESDAY 17 TO THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2014

SIBAYA – IMBIZO CONFERENCE CENTRE, UMHLANGA ROCKS, DURBAN

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 10:00

The Annual Conference of the Institute is the biggest Disaster Management Conference in Africa and routinely attracts more than 350 delegates. The Institute is recognized as the mouthpiece of the Disaster Management profession in Southern Africa. The Institute presents Conference 2014 in partnership with the Northumbria University, South Africa Local Government Association (SALGA), the National Disaster Management Centre (NDMC), SA Weather Service (SAWS) and the United Nations' International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR). The conference provides an annual opportunity for a diverse range of stakeholders in disaster management from across Africa to gather and share skills, knowledge and experience.

This year's conference will be hosted by the eThekweni Metropolitan Municipality, KZN Province, South Africa.

The Sibaya – Imbizo Conference Centre offers an Afro-chic atmosphere and is one of the best conference venues in Durban with extensive experience in hosting diverse groups and events. Sibaya accommodation is perfect for use as both conference and holiday accommodation. Conveniently situated near King Shaka Airport, this source of Durban accommodation is positioned within the Sibaya Casino and Entertainment Kingdom offering guests a wealth of exceptional experiences and opportunities.

Accommodation: Please use the attached accommodation registration forms to book either at the Royal Sibaya Hotel or Sibaya Lodge at 1 Sibaya Drive, Umhlanga Rocks, 4320, Kwa-Zulu Natal.

Tel – Hotel/Lodge: (031) 580-5299/5290/5291/5292/5108/5162 - GPS:S 29° 40' 50.5878" E 31° 5' 59.6004"

CALL FOR PAPERS: For full details of the requirements for the submission of abstracts, please visit our website – www.disaster.co.za or contact the Conference Coordinator, Ms Erika Swart - e-mail: erikaswart@mweb.co.za. Abstracts should clearly state the purpose, results and conclusions of the work to be described in the final paper. Language: English. Last day for submission of abstract: 18 July 2014.

EXHIBITION SPACE WILL BE AVAILABLE: Please direct enquiries to Erika Swart : erikaswart@mweb.co.za

1ST ART ON DISASTERS EXHIBITION 2014 presented by DiMTEC – UFS: For more information, please visit www.ufs.ac.za/dimtec or e-mail: kungumao@ufs.ac.za or visit DMISA's website: www.disaster.co.za

Registration fees, which include all teas as well as lunch on both days and evening functions on 16 September (Meet and Greet) and 17 September 2014 (Gala Dinner) have been set at very reasonable rates as follows:

Members of DMISA	:	R 5 300-00	Non-members:	R 6 400-00
Late Registration Penalty	:	R 500-00	Closing date for Registrations:	25 August 2014

STUDENTS: The first 10 fulltime Disaster Management students, who are members of DMISA and in good standing with their study institution and who make proper written application with supporting documentation, will qualify for a reduction in conference fees. (Fees for first ten students whose applications are received not later than 7 August 2014 will be R4 200.00 each)

Please remember the Annual General Meeting which will be held on Friday, 19 September 2014 at 10:00.



Should you have any further enquiries, do not hesitate to contact our office between 08:00 and 13:00 (weekdays) and speak to our Administrator, Karin. Tel +27 (0) 11 822-1634 or you can e-mail us at: karin@disaster.co.za Our fax number is +27 (0) 86 652 8066 or Website: www.disaster.co.za Postal address: PO Box 7130, Primrose Hill, 1417, South Africa.

