The International Association of Hydrogeologists

# EXCITING CONGRESS PROGRAMME REGISTRATION DEADLINE ALERT AND MUCH MORE

We are excited to announce that the 50th IAH2023 Worldwide Groundwater Congress is quickly approaching! To ensure you have the best possible experience at the Congress, we want to share some important information with you.

#### **Early Bird Registration**

Don't forget that the Early Bird Registration deadline is fast approaching! Register and pay your registration fee before May 31, 2023, to take advantage of the discounted registration fee.

#### **Visa Application**

For those who require a visa to attend the Congress, we recommend applying as soon as possible to allow enough time for the visa application process. Registered delegates can request a visa invitation letter from confetal@iafrica.com and providing their full name as it appears on their passport and passport number.

#### **Congress Accommodation**

September is a busy tourist season in the Western Cape, so we encourage you to book your accommodation early to avoid disappointment.

Discounted rates for Congress attendees are available for a limited period at various accommodation establishments near the Conven-

tion Centre. Visit https://iah2023. org.za/accommodation/ to book your accommodation today.

#### Congress Programme

We are thrilled to announce that the Congress programme is taking shape, with over 400 abstracts and counting under review. The programme will include oral and poster presentations from six continents, making it an international event. We can't wait to learn from esteemed professionals and discover the latest scientific content.

### Sponsorship and Exhibition Opportunities

We still have sponsorship and exhibition opportunities available!

Contact us or visit https://iah2023.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/IAH\_Sponsor-shipDoc\_2023.pdf to view the various options.

Enjoy pre and post tours along the Garden Route or go on safari in the Eastern Cape to view the Big Five.

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#### **Congress Dinner - Golden Experience**

The 50th IAH2023 Congress Gala Dinner will be hosted at the Gold Restaurant, a vibrant Pan-African destination located in the heart of Cape Town. The dinner will feature lively and unique entertainment, and guests can indulge in a vast variety of 14 different dishes. Transport will be

provided to and from the Gold Restaurant. Departure and return point will be the Convention Centre.

#### **Accompanying Persons**

If you plan to bring an accompanying person, please visit our website for the latest information on the accompanying person programme and registration details.

#### Preparing for Your Trip to the Tip of Africa

September is one of the best months to visit Cape Town and the surround-



ing region. It's an ideal time to
extend your visit to South Africa
and explore the beauty of the
country. Spring officially starts on
the 1st of September, with mild
days and average temperatures in the
low to mid-20°C/68°F. Fewer rainy days
are expected, but evenings can still get
chilly.

### Highlights in September 2023

- Spectacular burst of wildflowers along the West Coast (1 to 1.5 hours' drive from Cape Town)
- 2. Peak whale watching season along the coast of the quaint seaside village of Hermanus.

  (1hr drive from Cape Town)

#### **Further Afield**

**3.** Delegates can also enjoy pre and post tours along the Garden Route or go on safari in the Eastern Cape to view the Big Five.

South Africa

Johannesburg

Bloemfontein

Durban

Gqeberha

South Africa is currently experiencing loadshedding (power outages) at certain times of the day, however, all hotels, convention centre, tourist attractions, shopping centres and entertainment areas are equipped with backup power. In most of these establishments/venues one is not even aware of the change over to back up power and at most the lights dim slightly just before the back up power kicks in.

#### We are there to help.

The Congress Registration and Hospitality Desk will remain open throughout the Congress to register, delegates, provide support to presenters and delegates with general congress and travel enquiries. Prior to the Congress please contact confetal@iafrica.com if you require any general travel/accommodation/touring assistance.

We look forward to welcoming you to the 50th IAH2023 Congress and making this an unforgettable experience for everyone.

#### **IMPORTANT DEADLINES**

Call for Abstracts Closed Early Bird Registration deadline 31 May 2023

Abstract submission deadline Closed Registration closes 21 August 2023



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