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## CONGRESS HIGHLIGHTS

### EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION EXTENSION AND MUCH MORE

As we prepare for this exciting event, we want to provide you with some updates on the field excursions and program highlights that await you.

#### Program Highlights:

IAH2023 promises a diverse range of special sessions that address crucial topics in the field of groundwater.

IAH2023 is planning several special sessions at the conference that include the South African Water Research Commission is hosting a special session to deliberate on approaches to adapt to the vagaries associated with local and global change drivers and build local scale resilience while improving livelihoods.

The Socio-Hydrogeology Network of IAH intends to discuss approaches, techniques and case studies focused on inter- and transdisciplinary assessments of the connections between humans and groundwater at different scales. Another special session by the IAH Commission of Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) focuses on MAR for water security and climate change adaptation to build local scale resilience.

The four days of plenary and parallel sessions promise to be engaging and thought-provoking, covering a wide range of topics that are at the forefront of groundwater research and management.

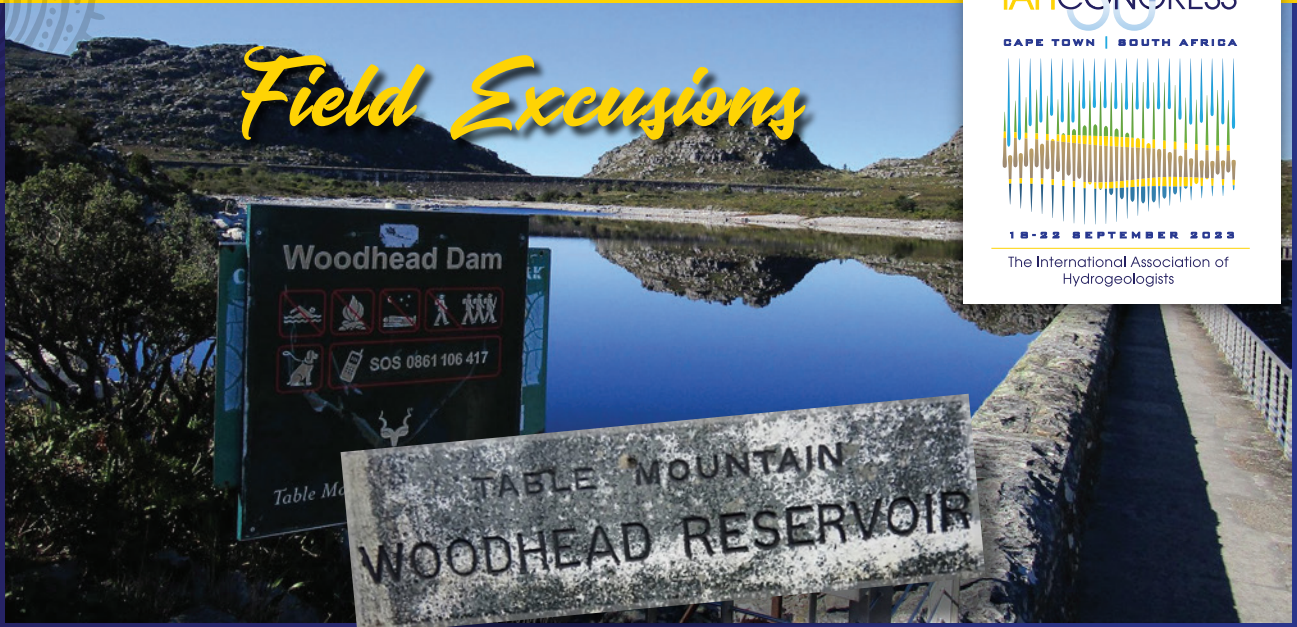


Enjoy pre and post tours along the Garden Route or go on safari in the Eastern Cape to view the Big Five.



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## Field Excursions



On Monday, 18 September 2023, we have planned interesting field trips that will give you the opportunity to explore some of the fascinating groundwater features in the Western Cape. These excursions range from a hike up Table Mountain to see the local geology and the 5 dams making up the first real water supply scheme for Cape Town in the 1800s, to the 1km deep boreholes and confined,

fractured rock aquifer wellfields of the Steenbras Syncline that are planned for future water supply.

There are also the Cape Flats and Atlantis wellfields tours, with pollution and saline intrusion risks, managed aquifer recharge, and infrastructure designed against crime and vandalism, and a Winelands and Wetlands tour focusing on isotopic techniques.

## A Taste of Africa Gold Restaurant - gala dinner venue

Cape Malay cuisine is a fusion of vibrant flavors and aromatic spices brought to South Africa by a diverse group of people originally from various parts of Southeast Asia, including Malaysia. These individuals, brought as slave laborers by the Dutch East India Company in 1652, settled in the Bo Kaap district of Cape Town, also known as the Malay Quarter. This colourful suburb, located near GOLD Restaurant, the venue for the IAH2023 Gala Dinner, boasts charming cobbled streets and brightly coloured houses. One of the highlights of Cape Malay culture is its delectable recipes, which showcase a unique blend of fragrant spices.

The Cape Malay Karamonk Biscuits, for instance, are spiced cookies traditionally flavoured with cardamom and ground, dried naartjie (tangerine) peel. Alternatively, finely grated orange zest can be used as a substitute. These biscuits are best enjoyed at GOLD Restaurant, paired with Muscadel (or Muscadell), a popular sweet dessert wine in South Africa. Try the biscuit menu <https://goldrestaurant.co.za/recipe/cape-malay-kara-monk-biscuit-recipe/>



