



ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA

39th Biennial Congress
7 – 10 July 2019, Skukuza, Kruger National Park

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

39TH BIENNIAL ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA CONGRESS

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Meeting

The Congress will start at 07h30 on Monday morning 8 July and will end on Wednesday afternoon 10 July 2019. All accommodation has been booked from Sunday 7 July until Wednesday morning 10 July 2019.

Registration

Registration will take place at the Nombolo Mdhluli Conference Centre on **Sunday 7 July from 14h00 – 17h00.**

Program

The final program will be placed on the following website:

<https://zssa.co.za/zssa-2019/>

Please note that the program **will not** be printed but will be available (along with all abstracts) on a flash drive in your conference bags.

Gate Entry

Free entrance will be arranged at the **Paul Kruger, Malelane, Phabeni Gates, as well as the Skukuza Airport only** on Sunday 7 July for all registered delegates. **All accompanying persons will be charged the daily conservation fee either at the gate of entry or at the registration table on Sunday.** The free entry has been granted to registered delegates only.

If you are not arriving on Sunday, but later in the week, please inform Jackey Deacon so that she can make the necessary arrangements for the day that you will be arriving. Please e-mail Jackey at dot@mpu.co.za.

Delegates wishing to make use of other entrance gates and arriving earlier with their own reservation number will have to pay the daily conservation fee.

The official free entry number is (available at later stage) and the official group reservation number is **R6314160**. Note that the numbers are only active from Sunday 7 July 2019, unless arranged with Jackey Deacon.

Gate Closing Times and Late Permits

The Paul Kruger gate and Skukuza Camp gate both **close at 17:30** and **no late permits** will be issued or sent to the gate. When planning your trip to Kruger please keep the gate times in mind as well as any possible road works along your route.

In case of an emergency causing you to be late please contact the Skukuza Duty Manager to arrange an escort from the Paul Kruger Gate. These emergency escorts can be arranged until 20:00 at a cost of **R550.00 per vehicle**. The Skukuza Duty Manager can be contacted on **082 802 1204** should an emergency arise.

Transfers from Skukuza Airport

Avis run a shuttle service from the Skukuza Airport to the Skukuza Camp at the various flight times. Please enquire at the Avis desk when you arrive at the Skukuza Airport or contact them before you arrive on 013 735 5651.

Late Registration

Late Registration will take place at the Nombolo Mdluli Conference Centre on **Monday 8 July from 07h00**. Please inform Jackey Deacon – (dot@mpu.co.za) if you are going to be doing a late registration.

Please note accommodation check-in time 14h00 and check-out time is 10h00.

Presentations

Please remember to bring an **electronic copy of your presentation with you to registration on Sunday**. All abstracts will be placed on the ZSSA website. If you do not want your abstract placed on the site please inform Jackey Deacon at registration.

At this year's congress we have the following presentations:

- 20 minute extended talks (includes question time)
- 15 minute "full" presentations (12 minutes+3 minutes for questions)
- 5 minute "speed" presentations (3 minutes+2 minutes for questions)
- Posters (Size A₀ portrait)

Delegates presenting a 20 minute extended talk:

If you want question time, please shorten your talk to allow for some questions within your allocated time as there will be no formal discussion sessions.

Delegates presenting a 15 minute oral presentation:

If you want question time, please shorten your talk to allow for some questions within your allocated time as there will be no formal discussion sessions.

Delegates presenting a 5 minute speed presentation:

Please make yourself available during tea and lunch for anybody that that may have questions for you.

Delegates presenting a poster:

Posters will not be presented during the formal program but there will be dedicated poster sessions each evening. These will be in the form of cheese and wine functions. Posters will only be accepted in the following format: standard **A0 size** (84.1 cm wide x 118.9 cm tall) in portrait orientation.

Breakfast

Delegates to provide own breakfast.

Early morning coffee and rusks will be served before the session each morning. Please remember to bring your coffee mugs along for the coffee/tea breaks. Your coffee mug will be provided in your conference bag.

Lunches

All lunches will be served at the Nombolo Mdhluli Conference Centre for registered delegates and any registered accompanying person.

A very light **plated lunch** will be served each day. Once delegates are seated, your waiter will take your order based on what you have registered for. The various options will be beef, chicken, vegetarian or vegan.

Dinners

Dinners will be served at the Cattle Baron Restaurant each evening.

There will be a cash bar each evening. Dinners are for registered delegates and registered accompanying persons only. **Dinner will be served at 19h00 sharp.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO SCHEDULED DINNER ON SUNDAY EVENING 7 JULY 2019 BUT SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE ICE-BREAKER FUNCTION.

Malaria

A 24-hour malaria hotline is available on +27 (0)82 234 1800