

2ND ANNOUNCEMENT AND 1ST CALL FOR PAPERS

MIXED METHODS INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION (MMIRA)



30 AUGUST - 1 SEPTEMBER 2017

**VENUE: SAINT GEORGE HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTRE,
IRENE, PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA
(Website: www.stgeorghotel.co.za)**

HOST: UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

CONFERENCE THEME

Applying mixed methods to move disciplines forward

BRIEF OVERVIEW

The research landscape is actively changing, which means that researchers need to be adaptable to address the issues that they are faced with. Within this changing environment a one size fits all approach is often not the best option to address the various research issues that form part of a global community. To this end, researchers need to be adept in using a variety of research designs and methodologies to ensure that issues are addressed for the advancement of society. That said, mixed methods research challenges researchers to be creative in their academic work. This will be the first research design and methodology conference in mixed methods offered in South Africa.

DETAILS OF CONFERENCE

Proposals for paper presentations, posters/exhibitions are invited to the 2017 MMIRA conference.

The purpose of the conference is to attract scholars and researchers from a variety of disciplines and to bring together a cohort of established and emerging researchers in one assembly to deliberate on topics related to the theme and sub-themes.

AIMS OF THE CONFERENCE

The aims of the conference include:

- To highlight mixed methods studies in a variety of disciplines
- To highlight innovations in mixed methods methodology

SUB-THEMES OF THE CONFERENCE

Sub-themes include, but are not confined to the following areas:

- Methodological papers targeting data collection, analysis and integration
- Mixed methods studies in social sciences and humanities
- Mixed methods studies in medical sciences

ABSTRACTS

Guidelines and instructions:

Abstracts should be submitted by e-mail to Bronwyn Lawson at conferencepl@gmail.com on the prescribed form.

Acknowledgement of receipt of all abstracts:

Within three working days of the abstract having been successfully submitted, an email will be sent to the presenting author(s) to acknowledge receipt. The author will also be provided with an abstract number that should be stated in all further correspondence.

All abstracts will be adjudicated.

A detailed programme will be announced once it has been finalised.

Presentations will be confined to 20 minutes plus a 10-minute question/discussion session.

CONFERENCE TOUR

- The Rietvlei Nature Reserve is approximately 3km from the hotel where games drives can be enjoyed – at delegate's own cost. <http://rietvlei-reserve.co.za>
- After conference excursions: <http://outlookafrica.co.za/>

IMPORTANT DATES

Due date for submission of abstracts:	27 April 2017
Notification of acceptance of abstracts:	11 May 2017
Due date for registrations:	22 June 2017
Due date for payments:	21 July 2017
Final date to submit proof of payment:	4 August 2017

REGISTRATION

Academic Scholars:	ZAR4500.00
Registered Postgraduate Students:	ZAR3500.00
One day attendance:	ZAR2000.00

No refunds but you are most welcome to send a substitute at no extra cost.

Complete the delegate registration form and forward it to Bronwyn Lawson. An official invoice will subsequently be e-mailed to you to confirm your successful registration.

Please fax/e-mail a copy of the deposit slip or proof of electronic transfer, to Ms Bronwyn Lawson at: Fax no.: +27 (0)86 541 1173 or E-mail: conferencepl@gmail.com

ENQUIRIES

General and Registration:

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Conference Chairperson /Coordinators:

Prof Brigitte Smit
Prof Vanessa Sherman

ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT

Please Take Note:

All costs (travel, accommodation, subsistence) related to your participation in the conference must be covered by the participant, regardless of the proposal acceptance. MMIRA is not liable and holds no responsibility for any of these costs.

Accommodation is available at the venue:

Saint George Hotel & Convention Centre
Tel: (0) 11 316 1254
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Please mention that you are attending the MMIRA conference.

DISCLAIMER

The organisers reserve the right to change or cancel the published venue, programme, dates and/or fee due to unforeseen circumstances.



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