



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

14-15 NOVEMBER 2017
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA



Dear Colleagues,

Following a successful inaugural academic conference for wind power last year, the South African Wind Energy Association will proudly host the 2nd annual **WindAc Africa on November 14th and 15th, 2017**.

WindAc Africa is a collaborative networking environment in which dialogue between experienced researchers, motivated students and members of the wind industry is actively facilitated. Last year, more than 120 attendees from South Africa, USA, Denmark, Germany, UK and France and 30 students from leading South African universities participated in the conference.

We look forward to building on last year's stellar speaker line-up, 2016 speaker presentations can now be viewed on YouTube [here](#).

Recognising the value of transcending boundaries in order to stimulate global wind research exchange, the theme of our international, interdisciplinary **WindAc Africa 2017** conference is "**Wind Power Without Borders**".

The topics of particular interest include, but are not limited to:

- The wind resource
- Wind technology
- Wind power and environment
- Power markets with specific focus on wind
- Planning of wind systems
- Designing of wind systems
- Operating of wind systems
- Wind and sustainable development
- Energy policy

We would like to invite contributors to submit abstracts to our conference by clicking [here](#) and following the guidelines for submission.

All selected speakers will be informed of their nomination by July 17 and will be invited to submit a full paper. Please note that researchers can choose to either: 1) Submit an existing manuscript with published work or 2) Submit new unpublished findings. Should a speaker present new findings in his/her paper, he/she has the option to have his/her manuscript rigorously peer-reviewed by the [WindAc Africa Scientific Advisory Committee](#).

Publication of proceedings and videorecordings

The WindAc Africa conference proceedings will be accessible via restricted online platform within the WindAc website. All presentations of the conference will be videorecorded and accessible to all conference delegates shortly after the conference.

Relevant information such as proceedings, presentations and videorecordings will be made available to the public online 6 months after the conference. Public access is aimed at maximising the exposure of the conference speakers and the dissemination of knowledge.

Accreditation of the conference proceedings by the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) – of relevance for South African universities and research institutions

Please note that WindAc Africa cannot apply for the conference proceedings to be accredited by the Department of Higher Education and Training as the accreditation procedure is currently being reviewed and the list of accredited conferences has been suspended.

Important dates for submission:

Abstract submission due: May 31, 2017

Paper submission due: Sept 1, 2017

WindAc Africa conference: November 14-15, 2017

In recognition of your contribution

All selected speakers will be given free access to the 2 full-day WindAc Africa conference which is co-located with the Windaba conference and exhibition.

We are looking forward to your valuable submissions!

Best wishes,

Valerie

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