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6th

Southern African

Base Metals Conference 2011

18-20 July 2011 · Hans Merensky Hotel, Phalaborwa



BACKGROUND

The Sixth Southern African Base Metals conference, is to be held in Phalaborwa on 18-20 July 2011. This conference follows on from the previous Base Metals conferences held in the Southern African region.

- > 1st Base Metals Conference, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, July 2001
- > 2nd Base Metals Conference, Sun City, South Africa, 2002
- > 3rd Base Metals Conference, Kitwe, Zambia, June 2005
- > 4th Base Metals Conference, Swakopmund, Namibia 2007
- > 5th Base Metals Conference, Kasane, Chobe, Botswana 2009

The sixth event is scheduled to take place in Phalaborwa, South Africa, over three days, followed by two days of technical tours. Tours already include the Palabora Mining Company and may include Nkomati Mine.



ABOUT THE VENUE

The Hans Merensky Hotel and Spa is situated on the border of the Kruger National Park. The hotel offers a unique golf and game experience to visitors and has a world famous golf course that hosts a variety of wild game and over 200 species of birds

Come experience the sound of nature by waking up to the twitter of birds and discover the sound of the African sunrise and greeting a visiting impala at your doorstep.

SCOPE

The Base Metals market is gaining momentum and Africa must build on this progress in terms of its new operations in order to play an integral role in the international Base Metals community.

The aim of the conference is to explore what will maintain and contribute to the growth of the base metals' momentum in Africa in terms of geology, mining and metallurgy.

The theme will encompass how the base metals industry in Africa has harnessed the potential for growth through research, innovative thinking, new ways of operating and project implementation. The conference will also focus on the value of mineralogy and energy saving innovations in the base metals industry.

From a merger and acquisition point of view the transfer of large zinc assets in the Southern African region will be discussed.

For international participants, this conference presents an ideal opportunity to gain in-depth knowledge of and exposure into the countries base metals industry.

Hosted jointly by the metallurgical and mining technical sub-committees of the SAIMM, this forum will endeavour to:

- > Promote dialogue between mining and metallurgical disciplines on common challenges facing the base metals industry
- > Encourage synergistic practices
- > Understand respective technologies, all leading towards optimal resource utilization.

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First Announcement and Call for Papers

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TOPICS

The technical programme consisting of refereed papers will be made up of joint sessions of common interest to the entire audience. These sessions will cover:

- > The efficiency of capital and operating expenditure
- > Manpower resources and the requirements necessary to run the industry
- > Environmental regulations and their impact on the base metals industry
- > Africa as a prime investment venue
- > Special infrastructure, logistics and energy supply considerations
- > The mining/processing interface—breaking down the traditional barriers
- > The application of mineralogy and surface chemistry in the base metals industry
- > Energy saving initiatives in the base metals industry.

In addition to the special focus topics, papers are also invited in the following areas:

- > New projects
- > Novel technologies relating to this industry
- > The current status of research and development
- > Socio-economic challenges
- > Compliance with legislation and codes of practice
- > Product differentiation
- > Vertical integration and value enhancement
- > All fields of base metals mining
- > All fields of base metals metallurgy
- > Conformance to environmental requirements.

EXHIBITION/SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Companies wishing to sponsor or exhibit should contact the Conference Co-ordinator.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Prospective authors are invited to submit titles and abstracts of their papers, in **English**. The abstracts should be no longer than 500 words and should be submitted to: Raymond van der Berg Conference Co-ordinator, SAIMM, E-mail: raymond@saimm.co.za P.O. Box 61127, Marshalltown 2107, South Africa.

Papers will be refereed and therefore strict adherence to the deadlines is essential.

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KEY DATES

29 October 2010	Submission of abstracts
30 November 2010	Acceptance of abstracts
28 February 2011	Submission of papers
15 May 2011	Deadline for refereed papers
18-20 July 2011	Conference
21-22 July 2011	Possible technical visits:



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- I am interested in sponsoring the Conference
- I may be interested in participating in a technical visit
- I intend to submit an abstract of the proposed paper entitled:

Title of paper:

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