



**SOUTHERN AFRICAN ACCOUNTING
ASSOCIATION
2024 KWAZULU-NATAL REGIONAL
CONFERENCE**

**DATE: THURSDAY, 29 AUGUST 2024
RICHARDS BAY: VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED**

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

THEME: Transformative Accounting: African Insights

The Southern African Accounting Association (SAAA) KwaZulu-Natal Regional Conference aims to contribute towards the achievement of the SAAA vision of promoting excellence in Accountancy Higher Education and Research in Southern Africa. By providing a regional research and information sharing platform, academics can play an active and leading role in various Accountancy Professions in the regional context.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES	
Submission of refereed papers (Track 1)	1 June 2024
Submission of abstracts for non-refereed papers (Track 2)	1 June 2024
Registration	1 - 15 August 2024
Final re-submission of accepted papers (Track 1)	15 August 2024

No late registrations will be accepted.

Attendance at this one-day conference is free for SAAA members.

SUBMISSION OF PAPERS AND ABSTRACTS:

Papers are called for in the following areas of Accounting and related disciplines:

- Accounting Education
- Auditing (including Internal Auditing, External Auditing, Corporate Governance, Information Systems, Computer Auditing and Ethics)
- Financial Accounting (including Financial Reporting, Integrated Reporting, and Social and Environmental Accounting)
- Financial Management (including Management Accounting and Finance)
- Public Sector Accounting and Non-Profit Accounting
- Taxation (including Social, Environmental and International Taxation)

Papers will be accepted and presented in two categories:

Track 1 Refereed:	Manuscripts (research papers) of a sufficient academic standard to be subjected to a double blind review process.
Track 2 Non-refereed:	Manuscripts that will not be refereed. A manuscript should comprise of an abstract only.

Refereed papers (Track 1) and/or **Abstracts (Track 2)** must be electronically submitted before 1 June 2024 to soldata@unizulu.ac.za. The submission must clearly indicate which track and subject areas are applicable.

Letters of acceptance or rejection will be sent timeously after receipt of the abstract or paper. Final papers conforming to the refereed feedback requirements must be re-submitted electronically before 15 August 2024 to soldata@unizulu.ac.za.

A maximum of 40% of papers from a single institution will be allowed in Track 1 for publication in the conference proceedings. This will be proactively monitored and communicated to authors and/or institutions as required.

AUTHOR GUIDELINES

Papers or abstracts that do not comply with the required criteria will not be considered.

Track 1

Papers for conference proceedings should be limited to 5 000 – 8 000 words, including the reference list, with an abstract of between 150 and 250 words and 6-8 keywords.

- The paper heading should be Arial 14 with text Arial 12 using 1.5 spacing throughout the document. The headings in the paper for the different sub-sections, such as abstract and introduction should be in caps and bold, with any further headings only in bold.
- There should be no numbering for the headings.
- All references should use the Harvard referencing method.
- 2.5cm page margins should be used on all sides.
- Submissions must be in MS-Word format (not PDF).
- Paper submissions must include a cover page and the paper.
 - The cover page should be a separate document that includes the title of the paper, the name and surname of the authors and the respective university the authors are affiliated to, along with the email address of the corresponding author.
 - The paper should include the title of the paper, the abstract and the details of the paper but should not have any reference to the authors.

A PRIZE WILL BE AWARDED FOR THE BEST REFEREED PAPER.

Track 2

Abstract submissions can be between one and two pages and should contain:

- Title and indicate the topic area.
- Scope of the work showing the main aim and purpose of the study.
- Previous research and theoretical background.
- Significant data and methodology used or planned to be used for ongoing research.
- Major findings and conclusions, where relevant or expectations for ongoing research.
- Implications of research and future research areas.

REGISTRATION:

Registration will take place from 1 – 15 August 2024. Seats are limited and will thus be allocated on a first come, first served basis until full capacity is reached. Thereafter a waiting list will be maintained and should there be cancellations, those on the waiting list will be notified.

Registration will be done via an electronic form. The link to this form will be circulated with the second call for papers.

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME :

- 08:30 – 09:00** Registration and tea/coffee
- 09:00 – 09:10 Welcome and opening Chairperson: Anne Soldat
- 09:10 – 09:30 Sponsors/ Guest speaker
- 09:30 – 10:30 Parallel session 1
- 10:30 – 11:00** Refreshments
- 11:00 – 12:30 Parallel session 2
- 12:30 – 13:30** Lunch
- 13:30 – 15:00 Parallel session 3
- 15:00 – 15:15** Closure

The final programme for the conference will be made available by Friday, 23 August 2024.

CONTACT INFORMATION :

For general queries pertaining to the conference feel free to contact Mrs Anne Soldat (soldata@unizulu.ac.za)

Looking forward to seeing you at the conference.

Regards,
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