

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

KRUGER NATIONAL PARK
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ICPOW

4th

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS
ON PARASITES OF WILDLIFE

11-15 September 2022 | Kruger National Park, South Africa

[ICPOW2022](https://www.icpow2022.com)

2022

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Prof. Sonja Matthee

Dear Fellow Parasitologists,

We are cautiously optimistic that we will be able to host an in-person congress in 2022. We are fully aware that the viability of an in-person event is marked by the unpredictability and uncertainty that has characterized the COVID-19 context. Given this, we will continue to monitor COVID-related developments and choose a format that most aligns with the current and future climate at the time that a decision needs to be made.

The Parasitological Society of Southern Africa (PARSA) is therefore delighted to invite you to the 4th International Congress on Parasites of Wildlife (ICPOW), to be held at the Nombolo Mdhuli Conference Centre in Skukuza, the main congress centre of the world-famous Kruger National Park, South Africa, during 11-15 September 2022.

The congress provides a perfect opportunity to exchange research findings and engage in stimulating conversations around the broader theme of wildlife parasites. All parasitologists (in the fields of biology, taxonomy, systematics, evolutionary biology, epidemiology, veterinary science, etc.) are invited to participate. The venue complements the congress theme and will allow everyone to experience the African bush in all its glory. The event is an ideal opportunity to strengthen existing friendships and collaborations and forge new ones. As in previous years, the congress will be hosted by PARSA and will thus coincide with the 50th annual meeting of the Society.

As a Society it is our pleasure to host national, regional and international delegates and, together with the local organizing committee, we commit to making this another memorable event.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Skukuza in September 2022.

Sincerely,

Sonja Matthee
PARSA President

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- If you have submitted an abstract for the 2020/2021 Congress, you are welcome to **resubmit** the same abstract; or submit an **updated** abstract; or submit a **new** abstract for the 2022 Congress.
- [Click here](#) to access the online Abstract Submission Form.
- Please submit your abstracts, on the online platform.
- The deadline for abstract submissions is **11 March 2022**.
- Abstracts can be submitted for consideration either as oral or poster presentations. Please adhere to the instructions on the form.
- Delegates wishing to submit more than one abstract must please complete a separate form for each abstract.
- Abstracts are limited to 250 words.
- Include 3-5 keywords.
- Please ensure that the e-mail addresses as submitted are correct as these addresses will be used in all correspondence and acceptance notifications.
- Late submissions will not be considered.
- Oral presentations will be allocated 10 minutes plus 5 minutes for questions.
- Poster sessions form an integral part of the congress, and posters will be displayed on poster boards for the duration of the congress. Poster presenters are requested to stand at their posters during tea breaks.
- Poster Size: A0 - 841mm(w) x 1189mm(h).

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Delegates are welcome to propose and develop a session theme that will form part of the conference programme. Proposals for sessions should be submitted to Sonja Matthee at smatthee@sun.ac.za by **21 January 2022**. Proposals should indicate the theme and lead scientist. Proposals with envisaged speakers, their titles and contact details are encouraged.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **21 January 2022** - Proposals for special sessions.
- **11 March 2022** - Abstract submission deadline.
- **14 April 2022** - Decision of scientific programme committee to be announced.
- **10 June 2022** - Early registration and payment deadline.
- **15 July 2022** - Regular registration and payment deadline.
- **15 July 2022** - Accommodation payment deadline.

For more information, contact the
Congress Secretariat.
SAVETCON Event Management
Tel: +27(0)71 587 2950
Email: admin@savetcon.co.za

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

A panel of international acclaimed parasitologists will act as keynote speakers during our 3-day congress.



Prof. Robert Poulin
Zoology Department, University
of Otago, New Zealand



Prof. Maxwell Barson
University of Botswana,
Botswana



Dr Sandra Telfer
School of Biological Sciences,
University of Aberdeen, Scotland

The congress programme will be structured to allow for early morning and afternoon drives.

Sunday 11 September: Arrival at conference venue. Accommodation will be ready from 14:00.

- Conference registration: 14:00-18:00.
- Welcome reception: start at 18:00.

Monday 12 September:

- Full congress day: 08:00-15:00, tea breaks and lunch will be included.
- Catered boma-braai: start at 18:00 for **all non-student delegates**.
- For all other delegates, dinner will be for own account or self-catering. Restaurant and shop are available at Skukuza.

Tuesday 13 September:

- Full congress day: 08:00-15:00, tea breaks and lunch will be included.
- Catered boma-braai: start at 18:00 for **all students & post-docs only**.
- For all other delegates, dinner will be for own account or self-catering. Restaurant and shop are available at Skukuza.

Wednesday 14 September:

- Full congress day: 08:00-15:00, tea breaks and lunch will be included.
- Gala dinner: start at 18:30 and included for all registered delegates and accompanying persons.

Thursday 15 September: Accommodation check out time is 10:00.

- **Post-congress Scientific writing workshop***: 08:00-12:00 (for postgraduate students, include writing a scientific publication, information on Predatory Journals and how to write response letters (i.e. addressing reviewers' comments)).
- **Post-congress African Parasite Network Meeting**: 08:00-12:00 (for established researchers, more info at [ICPOW2022](#))).

** subject to minimum of 10 participants*

50th Annual PARSAs conference

The 50th annual PARSAs conference will be held in combination with the 4th ICPOW. Presentations submitted for the PARSAs meeting will be accommodated in parallel sessions at the same venue. PARSAs delegates will share the social activities with ICPOW. We therefore encourage all PARSAs members to attend the meeting.

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REGISTRATION

All registrations that were received for the 2020 or 2021 congress, which are fully paid up will automatically be transferred to the 2022 congress with no additional costs.

All delegates are required to register online at

www.savetcon.co.za

There are various categories for conference registration. Please be aware of the respective deadlines and ensure that registration fees are paid before the deadlines.

Registration Category
(NEW) Super-early registration
Early Registration
Regular Registration
Late Registration & Onsite

Payment required by
20 January 2022
10 June 2022
15 July 2022
From 7 July 2022

IMPORTANT:
Payment not received by the advertised due date will automatically be carried over to the next payment category.

Registration for full congress includes:

- USB containing congress abstract book;
- Congress bag;
- Morning break refreshments (3);
- Lunches (3);
- Welcome reception (canapés) on Sunday evening;
- Boma-braai (Monday for non-students or Tuesday for students & post-docs);
- Gala dinner on Wednesday evening.

Registration for full congress accompanying person includes:

- Morning break refreshments (3);
- Lunches (3);
- Welcome reception (canapés) on Sunday evening;
- Gala dinner on Wednesday evening.

Registration for post-congress workshop includes:

- (Thursday 15 September 2022, 08:00-12:00)
- Mid-morning refreshments.

The ICPOW Congress is not registered for VAT.

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	Super-Early Registration Payment must be received by 20 January 2022*	Early Registration Payment must be received by 10 June 2022*	Regular Registration Payment must be received by 15 July 2022*	Late Registration Payment received after 15 July 2022*
FULL CONGRESS				
Delegate	R5,500.00	R6,500.00	R7,150.00	R9,000.00
Student (full-time)**	R3,600.00	R4,800.00	R5,280.00	R6,000.00
Accompanying Person [#]	R2,300.00	R2,750.00	R3,025.00	R3,450.00
DAY REGISTRATION^{##}				
Delegate	R2,800.00	R3,250.00	R3,575.00	R3,950.00
Student (full-time)**	R1,600.00	R1,950.00	R2,145.00	R2,350.00
POST-CONGRESS WORKSHOP REGISTRATION (Scientific Writing)				
Delegate & Student	R500.00	R500.00	R500.00	R500.00
SOCIAL FUNCTIONS (for additional persons)				
Welcome Reception	R180.00	R180.00	R180.00	R180.00
Catered Boma-braai [#]	R250.00	R250.00	R250.00	R250.00
Gala Dinner	R500.00	R500.00	R500.00	R500.00

*NB: payment not received by the advertised due date will automatically be carried over to the next payment category.

**Valid Student number and Proof of registration for 2022 is required.

[#] Accompanying person fee does not include attendance to the catered boma braai and can be booked for separately.

^{##} Social function on day of attendance (if applicable) is included in the day-registration fee.

ICPOW2022 Congress T-shirts are available to purchase on the registration site @ R200 per shirt. Deadline to receive orders and payments are 15 August 2022.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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Cancellation Policy

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, if a cancellation of the event shall occur, you will be reimbursed in full less a varying fee to cover administrative and communication fees. In such an event, we will continue showing your company's support of the congress via your logo on our website and links on social media. In addition, if this should happen, we will do our best to host the event as a hybrid or virtual meeting.

But let's be optimistic!

We hope to see you all in South Africa in 2022.

For all support, networking, advertising, promotion, and on-site visibility options, please contact the congress secretariat through Corné Engelbrecht at corne@savetcon.co.za

ACCOMMODATION

- **The congress will take place during the high tourist season** (a week before the spring school holiday) and therefore all accommodation and registrations fees need to be paid latest by **15th July 2022** in order for us to keep the block reservation. The rest of the camp is already fully booked.
- We know there are challenges with some of the Academic Institutions and Government Departments and would like to accommodate all delegates as far as possible. If needed, we recommend that you make provision for an advance in order to settle your accommodation and registration fees in time. **Purchase orders should also be processed and paid by 15th July 2022** to secure your accommodation booking and conference registration. Please check the procedure with your financial department to adhere within the timelines. Quotes, Invoices and Statements are available on the online registration system.

Please note, the PCO can only manage accommodation reservations for the period of the congress (in on 11 September and out on 15 September). Any pre- or post-congress bookings should be made directly with Sanparks at www.sanparks.org.

Regarding booking accommodation:

- 1) Congress Registration is a pre-requisite for booking accommodation.
- 2) Please complete all information below and send back to the Congress Secretariat (admin@savetcon.co.za).
- 3) All accommodation bookings will require payment of a 50% deposit within 7 days of reservation booking, **and the balance payment by 15th July 2022.**
- 4) Accommodation payments can be made online via PayFast but is subject to a 4.5% processing fee. Electronic transfers are free of charge and no processing fee will be added.

Park and Camp gate times

- Park Entrance Gates Open @ 06:00
- Camp Gates Open @ 06:00
- All Gates Close @ 18:00 (late arrivals are allowed for emergencies only— T&C's apply)

Please note: The conference officially ends with the Gala dinner the evening of the 14th September. Due to the gate closures, you will be required to stay over on the night of 14 September and only depart the next day (15th September 2022).



ACCOMMODATION TYPES @ SKUKUZA REST CAMP	PRICE (p/unit, p/night)
ALL BUNGALOWS AND COTTAGES HAVE AIRCONDITIONING AND A FRIDGE AND IS SELF-CATERING	
SELF-CATERING BUNGALOW (utensils are provided in all units, and has a communal kitchen)	
BE2 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, no smoking, sink, WC and shower	R1 467.75 (2 pax)
BE3 1 bedroom with 3 single beds, no smoking, sink, WC and shower	R1 467.75 (2 pax)
BG2 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, no smoking, WC and shower	R1 467.75 (2 pax)
BG2E 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, closed veranda, no smoking, WC and shower	R1 467.75 (2 pax)
BG3E 1 bedroom with 3 single beds, closed veranda, no smoking, WC and shower	R1 467.75 (2 pax)
BG2UT 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, no smoking, WC and shower	R1 467.75 (2 pax)
LB2D 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, DSTV (limited Channels), no smoking, no view, sink, WC and shower	R1 790.75 (2 pax)
SELF-CATERING BUNGALOW (utensils are provided in all units, and has its own kitchen)	
BD2 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, hotplate, no smoking, sink, WC and shower	R1 600.75 (2 pax)
BD3 1 bedroom with 3 single beds, hotplate, no smoking, sink, WC and shower	R1 600.75 (2 pax)
LB3 1 bedroom with 3 single beds, closed veranda, hotplate, luggage rack, microwave, no smoking, outside table, sink, WC and shower	R1 900.00 (2 pax)
LB2K 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, closed veranda, hotplate, luggage rack, microwave, no smoking, outside table, sink, WC and shower	R1 900.00 (2 pax)
SEMI-LUXURY COTTAGES (utensils are provided in all units, and has its own kitchen)	
GC4VB 2 bedrooms, each with 2 single beds, no smoking, River view	R2 869.00 (4 pax)
GC6 2 bedrooms, each with 3 single beds, no smoking, WC and bath, WC and shower	R2 869.00 (4 pax)
GC6D 2 bedrooms, each with 3 single beds, no smoking, WC and bath, WC and shower	R2 869.00 (4 pax)
SAFARI TENT (No utensils, and has a communal kitchen and communal ablutions)	
CCT2 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, fan, fridge, no smoking, no utensils	R741.00 (2 pax)
CCT4 1 bedroom with 4 single beds, fan, fridge, no smoking, no utensils	R741.00 (2 pax)
SEMI-LUXURY RIVERSIDE BUNGALOW (utensils are provided in all units, and has its own kitchen)	
LR2E 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, no smoking, River view, Sited to the east of the restaurant, WC and shower	R2 424.00 (2 pax)
LR2W 1 bedroom with 2 single beds, DSTV (limited channels), no smoking, River view, Sited to the west of the restaurant, WC and shower	R2 424.00 (2 pax)
SAFARI LODGE HOTEL (all rooms are bed & breakfast included, with free Wi-Fi)	
SRF (Standard Room): 2 Single beds, air-conditioned, breakfast included, first floor unit, no smoking, WC and shower	R1 828.75 (2 pax)
BREAKFAST (OPTIONAL)	
Breakfast can be booked directly with the SAFARI LODGE HOTEL for all guests staying in the Bungalows or tents	tba

ACCOMMODATION BOOKING FORM			
Booking date (50% deposit payable within 7 days of this date)			
Name & Surname			
Congress registration number:			
Arrival date:		Departure date:	
Type of accommodation (e.g. BD2) – 1 st option			
Type of accommodation (e.g. BD3) – 2 nd option			
Invoice to be made out to:			
VAT number (if applicable):			
Invoice address:			
Are you willing to share a Unit? (delete whichever not applicable)		Yes/No	If yes, name of person you will share with:
Payment Option (delete whichever not applicable)		EFT	Online/Credit card payment - a PayFast link will be sent to you) – processing fee will apply.
Banking Details	SAVETCON Standard Bank Brooklyn Branch (011245) Account Nr: 011846496	PLEASE NOTE THAT ACCOMMODATION HAS TO BE PAID WITHIN 7 DAYS FROM BOOKING. USE YOUR SURNAME AND REGISTRATION NUMBER AS REFERENCE.	

PLEASE COMPLETE THE BOOKING FORM AND SEND BACK TO CORNE@SAVETCON.CO.ZA