

JOINT ZSSA & PARSA CONFERENCE, 10-13 July 2011

Venue: Old Main Building Stellenbosch University, Western Cape

On behalf of the Zoological Society of Southern Africa and the Parasitological Society of Southern Africa, we have the pleasure of inviting you to attend our joint conference which is hosted by the Stellenbosch University, Department of Botany and Zoology and the Department of Conservation Ecology and Entomology, at the Old Main Building, Stellenbosch

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

ZSSA

Keynote speakers

- **Prof Bruce Patterson**, MacArthur Curator of Mammals, Field Museum of Natural History, USA: “On bats and bat flies: parasitism in the fast lane”
- **Prof Adam Wilkens**, Life Member, Clare Hall, University of Cambridge: “Charles Darwin: genius or plodder?”

Gold medal speaker

- **Prof Sue Nicolson**, Department of Zoology & Entomology, University of Pretoria: “Food from flowers: the birds and the bees”

Invited speakers

- **Dr Cang Hui**, Centre for Invasion Biology, Department of Botany and Zoology, Stellenbosch University: “The dispersal strategy of common starlings in native and non-native areas”.
- **Prof Rudi van Aarde**, Chair: Conservation Ecology Research Unit, Department of Zoology & Entomology, University of Pretoria: “A change in the life of Kruger’s elephants”
- **Prof Graham J. Alexander**, Department of Animal, Plant and Environmental Sciences, University of the Witwatersrand: “Breeding biology of the Southern African python”
- **Prof Andrew McKechnie**, Department of Zoology & Entomology, University of Pretoria: “Hot birds and bats: physiological approaches to predicting climate change impacts in small endotherms.”
- **Prof Graham Kerley**, Director of Centre for African Conservation Ecology, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University: – title pending
- **Dr Jacqueline Bishop**, Department of Zoology, University of Cape Town: – title pending

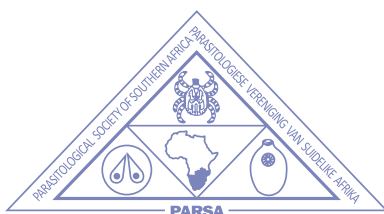
PARSA

Keynote speaker

- **Prof Felicia Keesing**, Associate Professor of Biology, Bard College, USA: “Biodiversity loss and infectious diseases: A recipe for risk?”

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- **Dr William (Bill) Horsnell**, Institute of Infectious Diseases and Molecular Medicine, Medical School, UCT: “Cellular requirements for optimal host TH2 immunity to parasitic nematode infections”
- **Dr Graeme Cummings**, Percy FitzPatrick Institute, UCT: “Pathogens, parasites, and the movement ecology of African water birds”
- **Dr Anna Mouton**, Amanzi Biosecurity: “Patterns of parasite prevalence in farmed abalone in South Africa”
- **Prof Samson Mukaratirwa**, School of Biological and Conservation Sciences, UKZN: “Epidemiology of *Trichinella* spp in Southern Africa the missing links”
- **Prof Banie Penzhorn**, Department of Veterinary Tropical Diseases, UP: “Why is Southern African canine babesiosis so virulent? An evolutionary perspective”



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Programme at a glance:

Sunday 10 July 2011 (ZSSA & PARSA)	
16:00	Registration open
17:00	Cocktail function (Meet & Greet)
Monday 11 July 2011 (ZSSA & PARSA)	
07:00-08:30	Registration desk open
08:30- 10:00	Session 1
10:00-10:30	Tea Break
10:30-13:00	Session 2
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-16:30	Session 3
19:00	Student Function
Tuesday 12 July 2011 (ZSSA & PARSA)	
07:00-08:30	Registration desk open
08:30- 10:00	Session 4
10:00-10:30	Tea Break
10:30-13:00	Session 5
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-16:30	Session 6
19:00	Gala Dinner
Wednesday 13 July 2011 (ZSSA Only)	
07:00-08:30	Registration desk open
08:30- 10:00	Session 7 (ZSSA only)
10:00-10:30	Tea Break
10:30-13:00	Session 8 (ZSSA only)

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

**CLOSING DATE FOR
SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS:
22 APRIL 2011 (EXTENDED)**

**CLOSING DATE FOR EARLY
DISCOUNTED
REGISTRATIONS: 30 APRIL 2011**

**CLOSING DATE FOR
REGULAR REGISTRATIONS:
24 JUNE 2011**

REGISTRATION

All delegates are required to register online at www.savetcon.co.za

Registration includes:

- Abstract book
- Conference bag
- Cocktail function
- Lunch Monday & Tuesday
- Gala Dinner
- 14% VAT
- Student function
- Morning & Afternoon Tea, Coffee

Category Registrations	Early Bird Fee for payments received before 30 April 2011	Regular Registration fee for payments received before 24 June 2011
ZSSA member	R2400	R2760
ZSSA non-member	R2800	R3220
ZSSA student member	R1300	R1495
ZSSA student non-member	R1600	R1840
PARSA member	R2300	R2645
PARSA non-member	R2700	R3105
PARSA student member	R1150	R1325
PARSA student non-member	R1500	R1725
Day registration	R1400	R1610
T-Shirt	R60	R60

TRADE EXHIBITION AND SPONSORSHIPS

Interested companies should contact the Conference secretariat for more information and to book exhibition space.

AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Airport transfers from Cape Town to Stellenbosch can be booked directly with SAVETCON.

ACCOMMODATION

University residences will be available for the duration of the conference. Costs R280 per person per night, book directly with SAVETCON.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT



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