



# Congress 2019

13 – 15 August 2019

Southern Sun Elangeni & Maharani  
Durban

## Climate of Change & Opportunity

In the quest to boost and promote technical excellence, standards and knowledge in irrigation, the South African Irrigation Institute (SABI) sets technical norms and promotes, through various endeavours, the use and conservation and sustainable use of water.

The promotion of excellence of technical knowledge and conservation of water is relevant to the entire spectrum of agricultural and landscape irrigation. Indeed, SABI Congress, with its focus on technical knowledge and excellence, is an apt event to attend in a Climate of Change & Opportunity.

SABI strives with Congress 2019 – a unique, dynamic and knowledge-boosting event on the African irrigation calendar - to attract as many irrigation experts, farmers and irrigation companies as possible as attendees from the private sector, academia and governmental arenas.

We are expecting approximately 250 people from South Africa nationally to attend and also delegates from Africa and further afield. This opportunity, you will agree, offers you a wonderful chance to sponsor a popular and credible event: SABI Congress is known as a highlight of the African irrigation calendar, with a proud history of more than 40 years. Please scroll down to look at the great sessions we have planned. SABI Congress is known as an event where future trends are debated!

The event will be registered with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) for qualifying delegates to receive Continuous Professional Development (CPD) points.

### CONGRESS OBJECTIVES

As an established event at the heart of the increasingly dynamic South African and African market, the SABI National Congress will again be the unique place to explore and upgrade knowledge.

During the meeting of irrigation designers and other interested persons at the Congress, presentations will be made by representatives of industry on various topics of current importance and interests. Over the two and a half days of presentations, the following themes are to be discussed:

- Soil and water – our valuable resources
- Crops under irrigation – new practices
- Optimised solutions for energy requirements
- Designing systems for changing climates
- Advances in under cover farming
- Landscape and turf irrigation design (including grey water systems)
- Water measurement and management technologies plus applications

## CALL FOR PAPERS

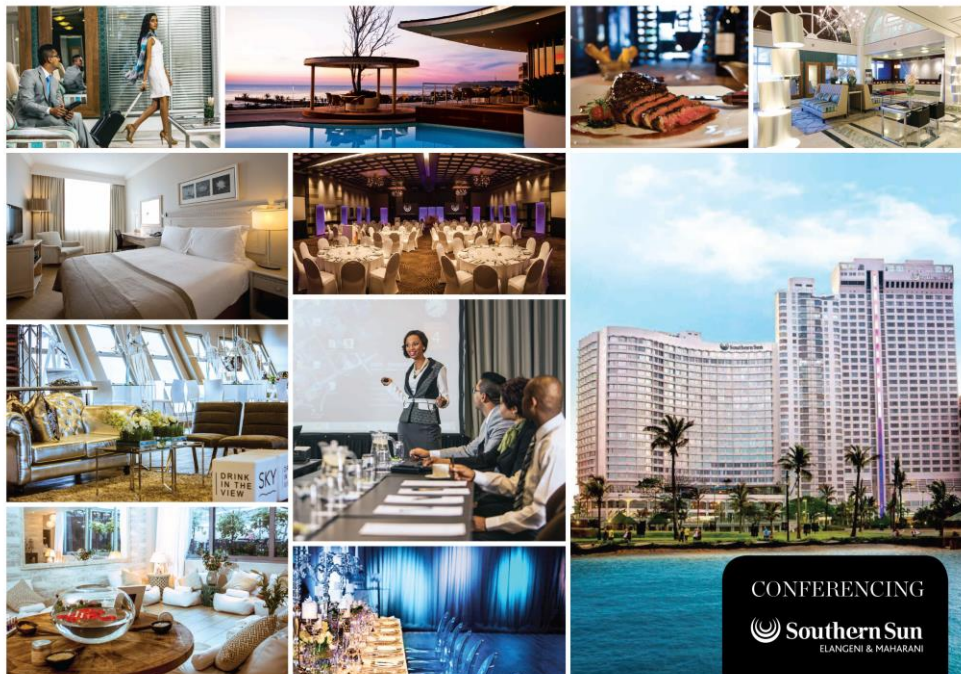
Speakers are invited to submit an abstract of their proposed presentation by **18 April 2019** to [info@sabi.co.za](mailto:info@sabi.co.za). This should be no more than 300 words. The abstract will be used to evaluate the paper and for placement in the correct session.

Papers that promote or market a specific product or service will not be accepted.

## VENUE

Located on the spectacular Durban beachfront, Southern Sun Elangeni & Maharani is undoubtedly the brightest star on the Golden Mile. Overlooking some of the best beaches in KwaZulu-Natal, the hotel complex is just meters from the vibrant boardwalk and many other local attractions.

The hotel complex is situated 32 km from the King Shaka International Airport. It's a great location, with easy access and endless views of the Indian Ocean makes this hotel, the perfect choice for SABI to host the Congress in Durban, KwaZulu Natal.



## EXHIBITION

There will be an exhibition of irrigation and related equipment. This will be an ideal platform for manufacturers and suppliers to showcase their products to a highly focused and professional audience.

There will be place for only 28 companies to exhibit.

- Exhibition area (3m x 3m) shell scheme white walling.
- 1 x Company name, 2 x spotlights, 1 x plug point, 1 x COC. 1 x table and 2 x chairs.

### ***Advantages for exhibitors:***

- Exhibition space – 3 m x 3 m
- Company name and logo will be displayed during the congress.
- Coffee/Tea and Lunch will be served within the exhibition area.
- 1 x Person registration fee.

***Exhibition fee:***

Members: R15 000

Non-Members: R20 000

**PROGRAM LAYOUT**

**Monday, 12 August 2019**

12:00 – 17:00 Building of exhibitions

**Tuesday, 13 August 2019**

08:00 – 11:00 Registration (*Tea and viewing of exhibits*)  
11:00 – 11:10 Welcome Address: Willie Vosloo, SABI President  
11:10 – 11:35 Opening Speaker: President of ICID  
11:35 – 12:00 Platinum Sponsor:  
12:00 – 13:00 Motivational Speaker  
13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch and viewing of exhibits*

**14:00 – 15:30** **SESSION 1:**  
**Chairperson:**

15:30 – 16:00 *Tea and viewing of exhibits*  
16:00 – 17:00 SABI AGM  
*Viewing of exhibits*  
19:00 Dinner

**Wednesday, 14 August 2019**

07:00 – 08:00 *Breakfast*  
07:30 – 08:00 *Registration for day delegates*

**08:00 – 09:55** **SESSION 2:**  
**Chairperson:**  
09:55 – 10:20 Gold Sponsor:  
10:20 – 11:00 *Tea and viewing of exhibits*

**11:00 – 13:00** **SESSION 3:**  
**Chairperson:**  
13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch and viewing of exhibits*

**14:00 – 15:40** **SESSION 4:**  
**Chairperson:**  
15:40 – 16:00 *Tea and viewing of exhibits*

**16:00 – 17:30** **SESSION 5:**  
**Chairperson:**  
*Viewing of exhibits*  
19:00 Gala Dinner

## **Thursday 15 August 2019**

07:00 – 08:00	<i>Breakfast</i>
07:30 – 08:00	<i>Registration for day delegates</i>
<b>08:00 – 09:55</b>	<b>SESSION 6:</b>
	<b>Chairperson:</b>
09:55 – 10:15	<b>Conclusion of the Congress and departure</b>

The final program will be available by end of April 2019.

### **REGISTRATION**

Find attached the registration form for –

#### **Full Registration:**

Member: Single accommodation	R7500/person
Member: Twin accommodation	R7000/person
Non-Member: Single accommodation	R8500/person
Non-Member: Twin accommodation	R8000/person
Spouse/Partner	R4500/person

#### **Day delegates\*:**

Member:	R1500/day
Non-Member:	R2000/day

*\*This includes refreshment breaks and lunch.*

*If you are a day delegate, please indicate on your registration form whether you would like to also join us at the evening functions.*