

2nd International Women in Science Without Borders (WiSWB)-Indaba¹

21-23 March, 2018

University of the Witwatersrand, (Wits), Johannesburg, South Africa

Website: <http://wiswb2018.co.za/>



FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

OBJECTIVES

WiSWB-Indaba is an independent platform that aims to, *inter alia*:

- showcase and share cutting-edge research in science, technology, engineering and mathematics
- share challenges, both personal and professional
- collectively discuss and find solutions to challenges/obstacles both personal and professional, and
- celebrate successes and achievements.

SUBMISSION THEMES

- Digital And Computational Science
- Engineering
- Environmental sciences (including food and water security)
- Natural sciences
- Mathematical and statistical science
- Public health sciences (including medicine)
- Social and Political sciences (including economics, human resources, law)
- Any other related field on sustainable development and inclusive growth.

The WiSWB-Indaba will solicit submission of full-papers corresponding to accepted abstracts for a peer-reviewed special issue of the *South African Journal of Science (SAJS)* to commemorate the hosting of the WiSWB-Indaba in South Africa.

DATES FOR SUBMISSIONS AND REGISTRATION

Will be updated on the website soon.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Anyone involved or interested in STEM research or in any associated aspects of the STEM ecosystem. Outreach initiatives will include inviting local high-school students to expose and excite them into considering careers in STEM.

All delegates will have the opportunity to attend and participate in exciting plenary talks and panel discussions which resonates with the overarching theme of 'Resilience in Diversity'.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mahmoud Sakr, President of Egyptian Academy for Scientific Research and Technology, Egypt
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¹ An "indaba" is a southern African concept that denotes a gathering, meeting or a conference.