Resilient futures for mineral processing

We would like to invite you to attend the XXX International Mineral Processing Congress in Cape Town, South Africa from 18 to 22 October 2020. IMPC 2020 will be hosted by the Southern African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (SAIMM).

IMPC 2020 will be hosted at Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC). Since the inception of the CTICC in 2003, Cape Town has been proudly the number one destination for conferences in Africa, according to the latest International Congress and Convention Association (ICCA) statistics.

Cape Town, the “Mother City”, is the oldest city in South Africa and has a cultural heritage spanning more than 300 years. Cape Town is a modern, cosmopolitan city and is often rated as one of the premier world holiday destinations. The city has a large range of hotels & guest houses and modern transport infrastructure. The city has numerous activities & attractions, including Table Mountain, Robben Island, Cape Point, the Castle, V&A Waterfront, world class beaches, wine farms, nature reserves, scenic drives, hiking, whale watching, shark cage diving and fine dining.

THE SAIMM

IMPC 2020 will be hosted by the Southern African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (SAIMM). The SAIMM has been in existence for 125 years, having been established in 1894 as a ‘learned society’ to support mining and metallurgical professionals during the emergence and growth of the early South African minerals industry.

Mining is of great importance to Africa in general, and particularly to Southern Africa. Africa accounts for a major portion of the world’s mineral reserves and more than half of gold, platinum group metals, cobalt and diamonds. Southern Africa produces over two-thirds of Africa’s mineral exports by value.
IMPC 2020 is expected to gather over 1,000 professionals and academics from the mining industry representing around 50 countries. Leading universities specializing in mineral processing, all major mining companies and global providers of services and technologies will attend the congress. The technical sessions will facilitate knowledge exchange and transfer of the most recent innovations in the area of mineral processing.

IMPC CONGRESS HISTORY

The International Mineral Processing Congress has been in existence for more than sixty years. The very first congress was held in September 1952 in London. Subsequently, there have been 29 congresses in 17 different countries. The IMPC has been a major driving force for the promotion of scientific and technical knowledge. It is the most prestigious event in the field of mineral processing in the world today. The congress has been truly international with delegates from all parts of the world deliberating on issues facing the mining and minerals processing industry.

IMPC 2020 SYMBOLISM

The symbol for IMPC 2020 is the Mapungubwe Rhinoceros. This golden rhinoceros is an artefact from the ancient Kingdom of Mapungubwe (1075-1220) located at the confluence of the Shashi and Limpopo rivers, bordering on Botswana, South Africa and Zimbabwe. The Kingdom of Mapungubwe is sometimes called the lost city of gold as they traded in gold & ivory and were the earliest gold smiths in Africa. The Mapungubwe Rhinoceros reflects the long history of mining in the Southern African region.
CALL FOR PAPERS

Authors are invited to submit abstracts in the general area of mineral and metallurgical processing. Please visit the IMPC 2020 Website to see the listing of Congress Technical Streams (www.impc2020.com). The overall Congress Theme is “Resilient futures for mineral processing”. Abstracts which are aligned with this overall theme will be considered for one of the twelve special technical workshops on resilience in mineral processing, but all abstracts of suitable technical merit are welcome. Abstracts must be submitted electronically as a PDF or Rich Text Format (.rtf) document via the Online Abstract Submission Portal.

KEY DATES

- Abstract Submission Deadline: 30 September 2019
- Abstract Review Process: 1 October 2019 to 30 November 2019
- Paper Submission Deadline: 28 February 2020
- Paper Review Process: 1 March 2020 to 30 April 2020
- Final Paper Submission Deadline: 31 May 2020
- Revised Paper Review Process: 1 June 2020 to 30 June 2020
- Author Registration: 1 May 2020

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