

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

### **CRIMSA INTERNATIONAL BIENNIAL CONFERENCE 2023**

**THEME: *Crime and victim studies: Post-pandemic developments***

**VENUE: Misty Hills Country Hotel, Conference Centre & Spa, Muldersdrift,  
Johannesburg, South Africa**

**DATE: WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> to FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

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The 2023 CRIMSA Biennial Conference aims to provide a crime and applied criminal justice research forum for the broad criminological sciences, victimology and applied criminal justice studies where academics, practitioners and researchers from the many disciplines that interact with the broader criminal justice system (such as police, courts, prison officials, private security officers, victims of crime/trauma counsellors, social workers, probationers, lawyers, prosecutors and all other allied practitioners) can present, discuss and share knowledge, research findings, works-in-progress, practical work experiences and theorise about issues concerning crime and all other related aspects (a multidisciplinary approach is welcomed). Come and share your knowledge and experiences with a wider audience and use this opportunity to meet and network with people from other specialist criminal justice and criminology fields and research focus areas. Students are encouraged to submit paper abstracts drawn from their postgraduate studies. Group presentations are also encouraged. Like the 2019 conference, there will be a pre-conference colloquium for emerging scholars on 15 August 2023. More details on this will follow.

#### **SUB-THEMES**

- Victimology and victim support
- Crime in the digital age/cybercrime
- Corruption crisis in Africa
- Teaching of criminology
- Pandemics and crime
- Environmental crises
- Gender-based violence
- Community Safety and Security

#### **ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS**

You are invited to submit an abstract of your intended paper presentation. As soon as your abstract has been received it will be submitted to the CRIMSA Biennial Conference 2023 Scientific Committee for review and you will be notified of its acceptance/non-acceptance in due course (normally within two (2) weeks by e-mail).

#### **Abstract Submission deadline:**

**The deadline for submitting your abstract is: Monday, 15 May 2023.** Please beat the deadline with an EARLY submission and registration. See website: [2023 CRIMSA Conference - CRIMSA](#) for downloadable abstract form and more detail of abstract and paper submission requirements/guidelines.

Your abstract (in the abstract form) of at least 300 words (text body) (in MSWord) can be e-mailed to: [crimsaconference@gmail.com](mailto:crimsaconference@gmail.com). For general queries, you may send an email to: [crimsasouthafrica@gmail.com](mailto:crimsasouthafrica@gmail.com).

### **IMPORTANT DEADLINE DATES**

Submission of abstract: **15 May 2023.**

Final abstract acceptance notification: **02 June 2023.**

Conference registration deadline: **15 July 2023. Register online ONLY at:**

<https://forms.office.com/r/2LEEb75aGu>

### **PRESENTATION TYPES**

You have a choice to either submit an abstract for oral presentation (i.e., PowerPoint), poster presentation or both. Oral presentations will be allocated 20 minutes (15min for the presentation and 5min for questions and answers). There will be a separate exhibition for poster presentations.

### **CONFERENCE BEST PAPER AWARDS**

Four best paper awards will be awarded under the following categories: (i) Best Emerging Researcher Paper, (ii) Best Experienced Researcher Paper. If enough abstracts are submitted for poster and group presentations, there will also be awards for (iii) Best Poster Presentation and (iv) Best Group Presentation. The selection will be done based on presentations at the conference.

### **POST-CONFERENCE PUBLICATION**

There is no need to send your full paper to the conference organisers before the actual conference, since there will be no Conference Special Edition of the Society's journal to be published based on submission and acceptance of abstracts of papers presented at the CRIMSA Conference 2023. Therefore, it is not mandatory to prepare a full paper before the conference. However, presenters of completed studies and discourses will be encouraged to submit their full papers for consideration for publication in the **General Editions** of *Acta Criminologica: African Journal of Criminology and Victimology*. We would encourage authors to submit their publications to *Acta Criminologica* within a month after the conference. Authors must adhere strictly to the editorial rules and author guidelines of the journal (available on the website at: [Acta Criminologica - CRIMSA](#)) and the submitted papers will undergo the standard peer review processes for a regular edition. The Editorial Team of *Acta Criminologica* will be present at the conference for any queries.

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