CALL FOR PAPERS

EDUCATION MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA (EMASA) 20TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

12th – 15th September 2019 | Sun City Resort North West | South Africa

CONFERENCE THEME

The annual EMASA Conference is a superb opportunity and platform to establish and strengthen valuable networks, partnerships and nexuses for both academics and practitioners to bridge the ubiquitous gap between theory and practice. One of the strategic aims of EMASA is to enable education leaders and managers in South Africa to share their common passion, expertise and experiences in order to improve the quality of education in our country. In this sense, the annual EMASA conference provides a high-level and inclusive forum for focused discussions and rigorous debates on education leadership and management issues that plague progress and development in this essential area of specialization. The conference makes it possible for specialists in the field of Education Leadership and Management to contribute jointly to the body of knowledge that speaks to the current and challenging realities faced in our diverse South African education contexts.

We know a lot about education leadership and management today. However, there are still many cavities in our understanding of what exactly quality education leadership and management entails in the South African education context. Knowledge and competency are at the heart for individual and collective actions of education leaders and managers to work closely with wide-ranging stakeholders in order to deal effectively with burning issues and violations of human rights in education that harm the very foundations of our freedom, democracy and social justice. It could be argued that now is the time for education leaders and managers to take intellectual risks and to think differently about their education involvement with a sense of deep concern for social justice in the South African education context and landscape. Do we have answers for these burning issues?

With the preceding as background, the EMASA Annual International Conference theme for 2019 is:

"The call for quality education management and leadership to turn the tide – do we have an answer?"

The EMASA Conference offers an exciting, wide-ranging programme for 2019 and the Organizing Committee eagerly awaits theme related abstracts/proposals for paper presentations, pair or team presentations, and proposals for poster presentations that address ONE of the following conference sub-themes.

SUB THEMES

- 1. Technology advancement in education are we ready for the 4th IR and the advent of artificial intelligence?
- 2. Quality education in a society scourged with social ills.
- 3. The dilemma of political meddling in education affairs is it a problem?
- 4. Education policies for the 21st century and the power of influence.
- 5. A new look at school management, leadership, and governance.
- 6. The intricacies of a result-driven approach in education, do we need a shift in focus?
- 7. A solid foundation in the Foundation Phase is now more important than ever!
- 8. Dealing with the never ending process of curriculum improvement and innovation.
- 9. The struggle continues to involve stake holders in education.
- 10. Overcoming the age-old quandary of discipline in schools?
- 11. Teacher training and present-day strains in the education profession.
- 12. What can we learn from parallel systems?
- 13. The call to our leaders for safe schools.
- 14. Narratives of connection, collaboration and transformation.



IMPORTANT DATES

First call for papers
Closing date for first call
Notification of outcome for first call
Second/Final call for papers
Reminder for final call for papers
Closing date for second/final call
Notification of outcome for second/final call
15 July 2019
Notification of outcome for second/final call

SUBMISSION

•Submissions of abstracts must be done electronically (e-mail) in MS Word format. Abstracts must be submitted electronically to abstracts@emasa.co.za and must be entirely original, not previously published, and must not be under concurrent consideration or scheduled for presentation elsewhere.

TYPES OF CONTRIBUTION

- Papers: Short presentations (20 minutes) by individual presenters, allowing time (10 minutes) for discussion
- Panel discussions: Short introductions to a topic with substantial discussion
- Pair or team presentations: Longer presentations by more than one presenter, making provision for inputs and questions from the audience, and discussion
- Poster presentation: Display of a presentation through a poster

CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

- Contributions will be selected according to the following criteria:
- Relevance to conference theme/sub-themes
- Clarity of purpose and method
- Significance, originality or potential usefulness of the content of the presentation
- Compliance with technical requirements
- A maximum of two abstracts per presenter will be considered

FULL PAPERS

The complete paper must reach the Conference Coordinator on or before, *Monday 05 August 2019*. All papers must be typed on A4 pages, 1.5 line spacing in Arial or Times New Roman, size 12 points and the length must be at least 5000 words.

Important to note!

Presenters whose papers have not been submitted by 31 July 2019, will be removed from the programme.

Presenters who have not registered to attend the conference by Friday 09 August 2019, will be removed from the programme.

PUBLICATION OF PAPERS

Selected papers may be published in EMASA's peer reviewed journal. Presenters, who would like to have their papers considered and refereed for this purpose, should ensure that they comply with the guidelines and conditions set out in the conference website. Please note that the journal is not yet accredited by the DHET. EMASA is working on that process. The published papers may be used as part of the accreditation application process.

REGISTRATION

Kindly note that presenters are required to register for the conference. EMASA extends the invitation to all interested national and international presenters/attendants. All travel and accommodation costs, conference fee as well as any other related costing, is the responsibility of each presenter/attendant. *Please note:* Presenters who have not registered to attend the conference by *Friday 09 August 2019*, will be removed from the programme.

FFFS:

Conference Registration fees: R 3 500 [excluding accommodation and traveling cost]

BANKING DETAILS:

Account Name: Education Management Association of South Africa

Bank: Standard Bank South Africa

Accounting Number: 01 173 0447
Account Type: Cheque account

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NB: SEND PROOF OF PAYMENT TO: payments@emasa.co.za

CONTACT DETAIL

Enquiries and submission of abstracts/papers must be directed to the **Conference Coordinator** at enquiries@emasa.co.za

