

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

2nd Southern African Adaptation Colloquium: Solution Spaces and Futures, Learning Together in a Climate Challenged World

Date: 7- 8 July 2016

The 2nd Colloquium **Solution Spaces and Futures, Learning Together in a Climate Challenged World** is focused on showcasing innovative actions, spaces of engagement and learning for adaptation.

We are pleased to invite participants to submit a variety of contributions that will showcase how we can better act, engage and learn to do adaptation.

The colloquium – hosted by the GCSRI, University of the Witwatersrand (WITS) in collaboration with the African Climate and Development Initiative, and the Adaptation Network – will take place at Wits University, Johannesburg on 7-8 July 2106.

If you wish to submit a contribution for consideration by the Adaptation Colloquium Committee, you must also intend to register for the colloquium (online registration will be available soon).

Criteria for Selection

We strongly encourage contributions in the following three forms:

- 1.) Abstracts for an oral paper aligned to one of the themes of the meeting. Please note there will only be a selection of 20 formal paper presentations so please ensure that your abstract is exciting, relevant and addresses the themes of the meeting. Oral presentations will be limited to 15 minutes with an additional 5 minutes for questions. Please adhere to the colloquium themes when you submit abstracts as this will assist us in selecting an appropriate session for your presentation.
- 2.) A workshop that you would like to run for no longer than 90 minutes, highlighting an activity, process, approach and/or tools that you are using that have worked to better enable adaptation.
- 3.) A contribution you would like to visually display at a 'learning market', which will be set up at the colloquium to showcase a method, process and/or tool that has been successfully tried by you as part of designing and implementing for adaptation.

To increase the probability that your contribution will be selected for presentation, please ensure that presentations focus on one of the following themes:

- **Knowledge co-production and learning:** interrogating different ways of producing knowledge, acknowledging challenges and benefits, in addition to exploring lessons learnt to promote knowledge co-production for effective adaptation.
- **Solution spaces and visioning the future:** what does a climate resilient South Africa look like, and what gains are being made in the adaptation space that have potential to provide real and effective solutions to climate challenges? Exploring the solutions in a multi-level and multi-scalar environment.
- **Transformative adaptation:** exploring differences between incremental and transformative adaptation; what does/would truly transformative adaptation look like? Engaging perspectives from the South and understanding transformative adaptation in the development context.

Proposals for contributions must include:

- Full name and email address of person submitting the abstract.
- Presentation title: type your title in sentence-case as it should appear in the meeting programme.
- A brief 'abstract' of your contribution will appear on the GCSRI website and in the colloquium programme booklet, and should not exceed 250 words.

The deadline for submissions is **15 May 2016**.

The word count for an abstract submission is **250**.

To submit your abstract, please click on the following link: <http://goo.gl/forms/WSLOHkz4zL>

For any enquiries, please contact info.gcsri@wits.ac.za. For more information please visit <https://www.wits.ac.za/gcsri/media/adaptation-colloquium/#d.en.802747>.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2nd Southern African Adaptation Colloquium.