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BASE METALS
2009



Due to the exclusivity of the venue, a limited number of delegates can be accommodated

in collaboration with the Botswana Branch
are organising the Fifth Southern African

Base Metals Conference 2009

27-31 July 2009 · Botswana



BACKGROUND

The Fifth Southern African Base Metals conference, is to be held in Botswana on 27-31 July 2009. This conference follows on from the previous Base Metals conferences held in the Southern African region.

- > 1st Base Metals Conference, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, July 2001
- > 2nd Base Metals Conference, Sun City, South Africa, 2002
- > 3rd Base Metals Conference, Kitwe, Zambia, June 2005
- > 4th Base Metals Conference, Swakopmund, Namibia 2007

The fifth event is scheduled to take place in Kasane, Botswana, over three days, followed by one or two days of technical tours. Tours (via a chartered flight) may include the Tati and Mowana plants of African Copper as well as the BCL smelter.

ABOUT THE VENUE

The venue, Mowana Lodge in Kasane, is a perfect setting within unique bush and river surroundings. It is an ideal base for the wildlife, bird and safari enthusiast. Each delegate will experience a safari game drive and a cruise along the Chobe river with a myriad of wildlife. You may be greeted by the yawn of a hippo or witness a pride of lions at their kill, or hear the hyenas cackling and the vultures screeching as they await their turn. For birdwatchers, there are over 400 different species native to the Kasane environment. The venue's Serondela restaurant has a range of gastronomic delights, where amongst other dishes, they serve kudu, warthog, impala, wildebeest and crocodile for those with adventurous tastes.

SCOPE

The Base Metals market is gaining momentum and Africa must build on this progress in terms of its new operations in order to play an integral role in the international Base Metals community.

The aim of the conference is to explore what will maintain and contribute to the growth of the base metals' momentum in

Africa in terms of geology, mining and metallurgy.

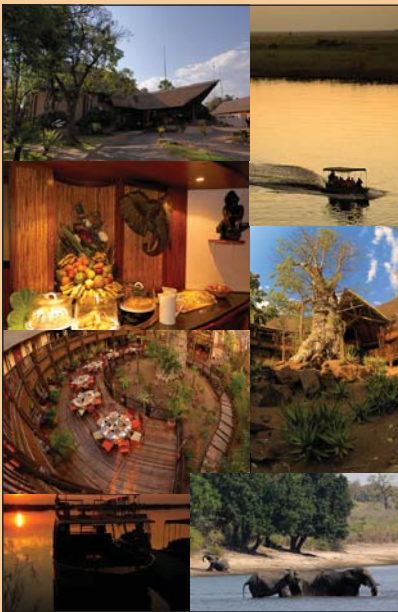
The theme will encompass how the base metals industry in Africa has harnessed the potential for growth through research, innovative thinking, new ways of operating and project implementation.

For international participants, this conference presents an ideal venue to gain in-depth knowledge of and exposure into this region's base metals industry.

Hosted jointly by the metallurgical and mining technical sub-committees and Botswana branch of the SAIMM, this forum will endeavour to:

- > Promote dialogue between mining and metallurgical disciplines on common challenges facing the base metals industry
- > Encourage synergistic practices
- > Understand respective technologies, all leading towards optimal resource utilization.

There has been rapid growth in exploration, resource evaluation, projects, and technological advances in the base metals industry in Southern Africa in recent years. Therefore we invite mining and metallurgical professionals who are active in this field, in all African countries, to participate in the conference.



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First Announcement and Call for Papers

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TOPICS

The technical programme consisting of refereed papers will be made up of joint sessions of common interest to the entire audience. These sessions will cover:

- > The efficiency of capital and operating expenditure
- > Manpower resources and the requirements necessary to run the industry
- > Environmental regulations and their impact on the base metals industry
- > Africa as a prime investment venue
- > Special infrastructure, logistics and energy supply considerations
- > The mining/processing interface—breaking down the traditional barriers

In addition to the special focus topics, papers are also invited in the following areas:

- > New projects
- > Novel technologies relating to this industry
- > The current status of research and development
- > Socio-economic challenges
- > Compliance with legislation and codes of practice
- > Product differentiation
- > Vertical integration and value enhancement
- > All fields of base metals mining
- > All fields of base metals metallurgy
- > Conformance to environmental requirements.

EXHIBITION/SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Companies wishing to sponsor or exhibit should contact the Conference Co-ordinator.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Prospective authors are invited to submit titles and abstracts of their papers, in **English**. The abstracts should be no longer than 500 words and should be submitted to: Julie Dixon
Conference Co-ordinator, SAIMM, E-mail: julie@saimm.co.za
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Papers will be refereed and therefore strict adherence to the deadlines is essential.

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KEY DATES

15 October 2008	Submission of abstracts
31 January 2009	Submission of papers
15 March 2009	Deadline for refereed papers
27–30 July 2009	Conference
31 July 2009	Possible technical visits:



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- I expect to be accompanied by my partner
- I may be interested in participating in a technical visit
- I intend to submit an abstract of the proposed paper entitled:

Title of paper:

Personal details: Name

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