



South African Society of Archivists

SECOND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS OF A SASA CONFERENCE

THEME “DISRUPT OR BE DISRUPTED: ARCHIVES, RECORDS AND MEMORY IN THE COVID-19 ERA”, SOUTH AFRICA (NORTHERN CAPE), 8-10 SEPTEMBER 2021.

The South African Society of Archivists (SASA) will host its annual conference on the theme, **“disrupt or be disrupted: archives, records and memory in the COVID-19 era”** on 8-10 September 2021 in Kimberley, Northern Cape Province, South Africa.

National and international speakers will address problems and solutions relating to the theme of the conference and will answer questions such as: Are we coping and relevant in the present? Are we prepared and ready for emergencies such as COVID-19? Does the COVID-19 pandemic herald new opportunities to archives and records management? What are the risks facing archives and records management in the COVID-19 era? This is a unique opportunity to exchange experience in an African context.

Papers on topics that address the theme of the conference and the following sub-themes will be considered for inclusion in the conference programme. Accepted papers will be considered for publication in the *Journal of South African Society of Archivists* provided the authors submit full papers.

Papers covering the following sub-themes in relation to records and archives management in the COVID-19 era will be considered:

- 4th Industrial Revolution
- Advocacy
- Archiving and records management within COVID-19
- Archives and records access within COVID-19
- Archivists and records managers *modus operandi* during COVID-19
- Artificial intelligence
- Authentication
- Big data
- Blockchain technology
- Cloud storage
- Data management

- Digitalization
- Digital records forensics
- Digital transformation
- Disruptive technologies
- Education
- Infrastructure
- Legislation
- Open data
- Oral history
- Privacy
- Security

Practice-based papers, as well as panel discussions are also encouraged.

Important Dates:

Final deadline for submission of abstracts: 19 May 2021

Notification of abstracts' acceptance: 30 May 2021

Paper submission: 30 June 2021 (optional for those who want their papers considered for publication in the JSASA).

Abstracts of less than 300 words should be submitted to emarutns@unisa.ac.za

Abstract format

Name and surname:

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Abstract: (strictly 300 words or less)