



Second CIRCULAR
and
Final call for Abstracts

**International Workshop of Experts
on**

Health and Well-being in Africa

(Pretoria, South Africa 25 - 27 August 2008)

Organized by

**International Council for Science, Regional
Office for Africa (ICSU ROA)**

in collaboration with

**National Research Foundation (NRF),
South Africa**

The ICSU Regional Office for Africa, in collaboration with the National Research Foundation (NRF), South Africa, is organizing an international workshop of experts on Health and Human Well-being in sub-Saharan Africa.

Date and venue

The workshop will take place on 25 – 27 August 2008 at Roode Vallei Country Lodge (www.roodvallei.co.za) in Pretoria, South Africa.

Workshop Objectives

- To drive the implementation of the ICSU ROA science plan on Health and Human Well-being;
- To establish networks and working groups of researchers and their respective institutions, to address major challenges on health and human well-being in Africa; and
- To strengthen existing networks of individuals, groups, organizations and institutions working on issues related to human health and well-being, including food and nutrition security, water and sanitation, and sustainable livelihood in general.

Scientific Activities

The organization of the workshop will include 1 day of keynote lectures, discussion, poster sessions and networking, and 1.5 days of brainstorming on formulation of fundable projects from the ICSU ROA science plan on Health and Human Well-being. The presentations and discussions will be centred around the following themes:

1. Human Health
 - i. Public Health
 - ii. HIV/AIDS
 - iii. Epidemiology and pathogenesis of common diseases, including emerging and re-emerging diseases in Africa
 - iv. Traditional / Complementary and alternative medicine in Africa
2. Well-being
 - i. African biodiversity and sustainable livelihood
 - ii. Food and nutrition security
 - iii. Wildlife and stock diseases
 - iv. Water and sanitation.

Guidelines for preparation of Abstracts

- The abstract must be relevant to one of the themes of the workshop and should present results of actual research.
- Abstracts should be limited to a maximum length of one page and should be prepared according to the following format:
 1. The preferred font is ARIAL; title 14pt, affiliations 10pt, text 11pt; single line spacing
 2. The text must be typed leaving a 3 cm on the right and 2.5 cm on the top, bottom, and left margins.
 3. Inclusion of headings, figures, tables and references is optional
 4. Figures and Tables may be embedded in the text.
- Abstracts must be submitted electronically in MS-WORD no later than **20 July 2008**

Registration

Interested participants who have not yet registered are requested to complete the attached registration form and return it to the indicated addresses by **15 July 2008**.

All delegates not receiving financial support from the organizers, and who have not yet paid the registration fees, will be required to do so before **31 July 2008**. The Registration fee of US\$ 250 should be paid by electronic bank transfer to the account given below, and the proof of payment faxed to the ICSU ROA Secretariat (see contact below). The registration fees cover conference materials, tea/coffee breaks, and lunches during the workshop period.

Sponsorship

The workshop organizers dispose of limited resources to sponsor participants. Those wishing to be considered for sponsorship should submit their abridged CVs (1 page) and abstracts, together with the application form.

All applicants approved for financial assistance by the organizers will be notified of such assistance by 25 July 2008.

Bank Details

Bank	ABSA BANK LIMITED
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Workshop Programme

Sunday 24 August 2008		
Arrival of Delegates		
16:00 – 18:00	Registration	
Day One: Monday 25 August 2008		
08:30 – 09:00	Registration	
09:00 – 10:30	Session 1: Opening Session Chair: Rapporteur:	
09:00 – 09:10	Welcome Remarks	
09:10 – 09:30	General Introduction	
09:30 – 10:00	ICSU ROA Science plan on Health and Human Well-being	
10:00 – 10:30	Official Opening of Workshop	
10:30 – 11:00	Tea / Coffee; Photographs	
11:00 – 13:00	Session 2: Keynote Presentations: Human Health Chair: Rapporteur:	
11:00 – 11:30	Epidemiology and pathogenesis of common diseases	
11:30 – 12:00	HIV/AIDS	
12:00 – 12:30	Public Health	
12:30 – 13:00	Traditional / Complementary and alternative Medicine	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:0 – 16 :00	Session 3: Keynote Presentations: Human Well-being Chair: Rapporteur:	
14:00 – 14:30	Biodiversity and sustainable livelihood	
14:30 – 15:00	Food and nutrition security	
15:00 – 15:30	Wildlife and stock diseases	
15:30 – 16:00	Water and sanitation	
16:00 – 16:30	Poster Session; Tea /Coffee	
16:30 – 17:30	Poster session (cont'd)	

Day Two: Tuesday 26 August 2008

08:30 – 09:30	Session 4: Speed presentations on Posters (3 – 4 slides each) Chair: Rapporteur:	
09:30 – 10:00	Guidelines to working Groups	
10:00 – 10:30	Tea / Coffee	
10:30 – 13:00	Session 5: Working Group Sessions	
Group 1	HIV/AIDS and Public Health Facilitator: Rapporteur:	
Group 2	Epidemiology and Pathogenesis of diseases; Traditional/Complementary and alternative medicine Facilitator: Rapporteur:	
Group 3	Biodiversity and sustainable livelihood; Food and Nutrition security Facilitator: Rapporteur:	
Group 4	Wildlife and stock diseases Facilitator: Rapporteur:	
Group 5	Water and sanitation Facilitator: Rapporteur:	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	Session 5: Working Group Sessions (cont'd)	

Day Three: Wednesday 27 August 2008

08:30 – 11:00	Session 6: Reports from working groups Chair: Rapporteur:	
08:30 – 09:00	Working Group 1	
09:00 – 09:30	Working Group 2	
09:30 – 10:00	Working Group 3	
10:00 – 10:30	Working Group 4	
10:30 – 11:00	Working Group 5	
11:00 – 11:30	Tea / Coffee	
11:30 – 13:00	Session 7: Closing Session Chair: Rapporteur:	
11:30 – 12:15	Workshop Overview and the way forward	
12:15 – 12:30	Concluding Remarks	
12:30 – 13:00	Acknowledgements	

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REGISTRATION FORM

Personal details:

Full Name: Title:

Telephone: Email:

Contact details:

Name of Organization:

Address:

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Postal code: Country: Fax:

Will you like to present a poster? Yes No

Title:

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Do you require financial support? Yes No

Deadline for returning this form: **15 July 2008**

Deadline for payment of registration fees: **31 July 2008**

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