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ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2024

Date: 2-5 July 2024, Richard's Bay, City of Umhlatuze, KwaZulu- Natal Province, South Africa

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Theme: *Digital Transformation for ease of archives global access*

Digital transformation is meant to modernise and improve the creation, organisation, preservation, and maintenance of records and archives using digital technologies. In the field of archives and records, digital transformation benefits include enhanced efficiency, cost saving, improved compliance, enhanced data security and easy access and sharing of information as well as breaking down proximity barriers. It also helps organisations to adapt to evolving digital landscape and better serve the needs of users and stakeholders. The central questions are, what records should be digitised? What digital solutions should organisation use to digitalise management of archives and records? How can organisations ensure data integrity and authenticity in digitalisation? What metadata standards should be considered in archives and records digital transformation? What legal and ethical considerations should be applied in digital transformation? Which kinds of training and change management initiatives are required to face digital transformation challenges? How should digital transformation assist organisations to ensure long-term archival materials preservation?

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.

Sub-themes

- Digitisation
- Digitalisation
- Digital preservation
- Collaboration and sharing
- Records Retention and disposal

Committee Members: INkosi Jongisilo Pokwana ka Menziwa (Chairperson); Ms Maite Manganye (Deputy Chairperson); Dr. Nikiwe Momoti (Secretary); Mr. Siphosiso Zulu (Treasurer); Prof. Ngoako Marutha (Journal Editor in Chief); Dr. Tshepo Mosweu (Journal Deputy Editor); Mr. Alexio Motsi (National Archives and Records Service of South Africa Representative); Mr. Jabu Nkatingi (Former Chairperson).

- Electronic records and document management systems
- Workflow automation
- Cloud- based storage
- Data analytics
- Data security
- Compliance and legal considerations
- Audit trails and accountability
- Training and change management
- Standards and formats
- Technology adoption
- Cybersecurity
- Industrial revolution technologies

Practice-based papers, panel discussions and posters are encouraged. N.B Authors need to indicate the type of submission in the abstract

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

Abstract format

Theme:

Title of abstract:

Name and surname:

Affiliation:

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Abstract: (**strictly not more than 300 words**)

Type of presentation: *Full paper/panel discussion/poster*

Due date 1 April 2024

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