

**Southern African Wildlife Management Association (SAWMA)**  
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# Biodiversity Within and Beyond Protected Areas

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## **Abstract and Topic Submission**

### **Full Presentations**

Full presentations in the concurrent sessions will be 20 minutes in length (presentation and discussion included). Presentation time limits will be strictly enforced to allow conference delegates to move from session to session.

### **Rapid Presentations**

Rapid presentations will be 5 minutes with 30 minute panel discussion at end of rapid communication sessions.

**Abstracts must be submitted electronically by attaching the Microsoft Word file containing the abstract to an email message. The email must include the information:**

**TO:** [elma@mweb.co.za](mailto:elma@mweb.co.za)

**SUBJECT:** Topic (Specify full presentation or rapid presentation)

- Contact person (presenter)
- Address
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- Special requests for equipment other than computer and projector
- Attached abstract following the specified guidelines

You will be notified of receipt via email. If you have questions contact the SAWMA Secretariat, Elma Marais, PO Box 217, Bloubergstrand, 7436. Tel: 021-5541297; email: [elma@mweb.co.za](mailto:elma@mweb.co.za)

## **Abstract Content and Style**

**Deadline for paper titles and abstracts: 15 May 2013**  
**Final abstracts not later than 30 June 2013**

**Each submitted abstract must include the following and adhere to these guidelines:**

- **Title** – (centred, bold) The title must be in sentence case.
- **Author(s)** – (centred, bold) List the full first name followed by initials and last names of each author. Underline the presenting author

- **Affiliation information of each author** - (centred, italics) Use superscripts to identify multiple authors with different affiliations (follow format below). Do not use superscripts for single authors or multiples from the same affiliation.
- **Presenter's contact information** – (centred) name, address, phone number, email.
- **Body of Abstract** – (justified) Abstracts must **not exceed 250 words**. Emphasize the results of a study or the practical application of a management project or programme. If there is more than one paragraph, single space between paragraphs and do not indent.
- **Sub Theme(s)** - Identify the theme(s) under which you think this presentation best fits.

**Subthemes:**

**1. Science-based frameworks**

Several spatially explicit concepts and models may contribute to the maintenance of biodiversity across different land-use practices. Presentations on the development of and application of concepts derived from island biogeography theory, metapopulation theory, ecological networks, patch dynamics and ecological traps will provide insight into optimizing conservation outcomes within and beyond protected areas.

**2. Societal expectations of conservation**

Management authorities increasingly have to deal with the aspirations of a multitude of stakeholders that have different values and expectations from biodiversity. For some stakeholders the focus on biodiversity means conflict, for others it provides opportunities. Presentations that reflect on conceptual frameworks and that include societal expectations and the application of concepts and theory associated with social learning, environmental awareness, cultural discrimination and political governance should enlighten participants on how societal values influence biodiversity within and beyond protected areas.

**3. Benefits from biodiversity**

Biodiversity has tangible as well as non-tangible benefits. Several economic arguments are a central theme and focuses primarily on direct benefits. Presentations that focus on the direct and indirect benefits of biodiversity through different land use practices based on economic frameworks, ecotourism models, rural livelihood tactics, consumptive use approaches and carbon credit models should inform the conference on how integrated approaches can add value to human livelihoods and quality of living through biodiversity within and beyond protected areas.

Develop the abstract in Microsoft Word in a Windows format, using 2 cm margins and Arial, 10 point font. All spacing within the title/author area, abstract body and conference topic should be single-spaced and separated from each other by one space. Please see the example below:

**Please note:** The scientific committee will review it for final approval. Note that the committee **will not review any data** presented in the abstracts.

**Example:**

**Shrinking sable antelope numbers in Kruger National Park: what is suppressing the population recovery?**

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Sable antelope *Hippotragus niger* numbers in the Kruger National Park have declined substantially since the mid-1980s and have shown little recovery despite improved rainfall conditions. We used aerial survey records to investigate.....

**Sub theme:** pick relevant subtheme

If your abstract is accepted, you will be provided further information on operating system requirements for your presentation, instructions on getting your presentation loaded, etc.

Microsoft PowerPoint is strongly preferred for oral presentations. Overhead or slide projectors will be available only upon special request made at the time your abstract is submitted.

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