

# SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS



## 23rd Congress of the Entomological Society of Southern Africa (ESSA)

11 – 14 July 2023 - Stellenbosch University

The 23rd ESSA Congress will be held at Stellenbosch University from 11 – 14 July 2023. With only five months to the congress, we are excited about the programme and look forward to welcoming our fellow entomologists in-person in the beautiful Stellenbosch with its unique culture.

You'll experience this great Entomological venue which forms part of the Cape Winelands Biosphere Reserve and hosts many narrow range endemics, such as the Colophon beetles on the logo.

### Keynote Speakers include:

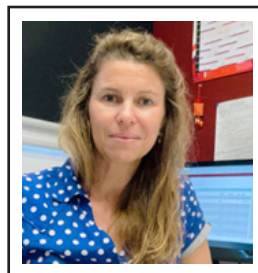


Prof. Dr Klaus Birkhofer, Head of Department at the Department of Ecology at the BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg, Germany, who will share his expertise on 'Arthropod diversity and associated ecosystem services in Southern African and European agroecosystems: lessons learned from collaborative research projects'. He'll present results from their Tierhoek study, their apple orchard project in Germany and the Namibia/Botswana project.



Dr. Casper Nyamukondiwa, Associate Professor, Department of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology at the Botswana International University of Science and Technology (BIUST) and Honorary Professor, Department of Zoology and Entomology - Rhodes University. His talk will

address 'A decade of research on insects of economic significance: lessons for pest management, ecosystem services and disservices'.



Dr. Fleur Ponton is a Senior Lecturer in Insect Biology at the School of Natural Sciences at the Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia and specialist on the relationships between nutrition, immunity, and infection.

### A reminder that **Abstract Submissions** will close on Friday 17 March 2023

Authors are invited to submit abstracts of 300 words in the sub-themes listed via the [online platform](#):

- Biodiversity, Biogeography and Conservation
- Biological Interactions
- Insects as Feed and Food
- Systematics and Taxonomy
- Physiological ecology
- Agricultural Entomology
- Invasive insects
- Invertebrate Pathology
- Weed Biological Control
- Medical, Veterinary and Forensic Entomology

### Key Dates:

17 March 2023:	Submission deadline for all abstracts
30 March 2023:	Online registration opens
3 April 2023:	Notification of Acceptance/Rejection
30 April 2023:	Provisional Programme available
10 May 2023:	Early bird registration closes
1 July 2023:	Online registration closes
11 – 14 July 2023:	Congress dates



For more information on the congress please visit the website:  
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