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Cluster Biosphere Reserve

IX Meeting of the World Network of Island and Coastal Biosphere Reserves

Hosted by
the Gouritz Cluster Biosphere Reserve
in South Africa



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Conference Programme

15 to 20 September 2019

Venue: Gourikwa Reserve, 15 Buffelshoek, Gouritsmond, 6696
Western Cape, South Africa
<https://gourikwa.co.za/>

Sunday, 15 September

Arrivals at George airport (GRJ) and transfers to hotel

Registration and check in on arrival

18:00 Welcome reception

Monday, 16 September

08:00 Registration (for those not registered on Sunday)

08:30 Opening address by Dr Miguel Clüsener-Godt, Director: Division of Ecological and Earth Sciences - UNESCO

09:30 Presentation by guest speaker Dr Enrico Gennari, Director of Research – Oceans Research Institute

10:00 Introduction of session chairperson

10:15 Presentations by delegates

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Fynbos trek in Gourikwa Reserve with Dr Jan de Vynck, Fellow at the African Centre for Coastal Palaeoscience (ACCP) - NMU

17:00 Sundowners at scenic lookout point

19:00 Dinner and evening entertainment - wine tasting by Thomas or Jhonri Potgieter, Jakkalsvlei Wines



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Tuesday, 17 September

- 08:30 Presentation by the Gouritz Cluster Biosphere Reserve with Wendy Crane and Luami Zondagh
- 09:00 Introduction of session chairperson
- 09:15 Presentations by delegates
- 12:30 Lunch**
- 14:00 Transfer to field visit
- 14:30 Goukou Resilient River Project with Rita Botha and Kezia Botes
- 17:30 Return to hotel
- 19:00 **Dinner and evening entertainment** with PG Engelbrecht

Wednesday, 18 September

- 08:30 Presentation by guest speaker Dr Peter Nilssen, Archaeologist and Specialist Heritage Practitioner
- 09:00 Introduction of session chairperson
- 09:15 Presentations by delegates
- 12:45 Lunch en route to social activity**
- 12:45 Transfer to Garden Route Game Reserve, Albertinia
- 14:00 Game drive with drinks and snacks (2.5 hours)
- 16:30 At leisure (guided tour of the property - reptile centre and skull garden. Own activities – swimming pool, water hole, bird walk)
- 18:30 Boma braai dinner**
- 21:00 Return to hotel



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Thursday, 19 September

08:30 Participatory process: working plan of the WNICBR (2018-2022)

10:00 Coffee break

11:00 Transfer to field visit

12:30 Fish traps in Stilbaai with Dr Jan de Vynck

14:00 Lunch at The Press Room

15:30 Gin tasting at Inverroche

17:00 Return to hotel

19:00 Dinner and evening entertainment – a musical delight with Ronan Skillen and Shaun Johannes

Friday, 20 September

08:30 Presentation by guest speaker

09:00 Working session on the Zero Plastic working group

10:00 Coffee break

10:30 UNESCO and Joint Secretariat formalities: newly incorporated member and closing session (UNESCO, Jeju, Menorca, Spain and Republic of Korea)[breakaway room]

12:00 Lunch

Check out and airport transfers



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