Track 3 - Participate in a poster session / as an attendee at the Sustainability Forum



Date: 29-31 March 2023

Location: University of the Western Cape

Last day to apply: 8 January 2023

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Deadline 08 January 2023

SASUF (South Africa – Sweden University Forum) aims to build capacity for collaboration between Sweden and South Africa by hosting a Research and Innovation Week, where researchers from both countries can meet, share their interests and build further on common interests to establish joint collaborations. The Sustainability Forum will be organised around parallel workshops, seminars, and poster sessions taking place between 29-31 March 2023. The call for arranging a workshop / session is aimed towards the ones who already have an existing connection in the other country.

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Submission: The official application form is available via this link https://doit.medfarm.uu.se/bin/kurt3/kurt/74014

Eligibility criteria

- The applicant must be employed by one of the 40 SASUF partner universities
- Requirement for the applicant is to have at least started their doctoral studies
- The poster must have an area of focus that is relevant for both countries, meaning that research interest from both Sweden and South Africa must be of importance and relevance
- The poster must address student involvement, meaning how students can be involved long term in the work.*
- The poster must be argued for / and connected to the Sustainable Development Goals and fall under one of the six following sub themes within SASUF:
 - Theme 1: Climate change, natural resources and sustainability
 - Theme 2: Education for a sustainable society
 - Theme 3: Social transformation through change: Knowledge and social development strategies
 - o Theme 4: Health Understanding the burden of disease in Sweden and South Africa
 - Theme 5: Sustainable urbanisation, travel and tourism in the 21st Century
 - Theme 6: Digital technologies, big data and cybersecurity



Review criteria

The proposals will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- **Engaging**: If the poster has high potential to attract attendees from the institutions involved, and if its contents can be broadly disseminated and understood.
- **Relevant**: The poster raises a theme that is important to the SDGs using experience and knowledge from both the South African and the Swedish context.
- **Clear**: The intended outcomes of the poster are easily understood.
- **Potential**: Prospective to develop future collaborations and activities beyond the Forum. The potential of the project to initiate or further develop meaningful intercultural interaction between students, teachers and researchers (and possibly other actors / external stakeholders such as NGOs, research institutes, industry, etc.) in Sweden and South Africa.

Moreover, for the final decision of selection of posters will also take the following aspects into consideration: the overall representation/distribution with regards to: gender, <u>sub themes within SASUF</u>, senior and early career researchers.

Selection process

The proposal should be submitted to SASUF via the submission form before the deadline 08 January 2023. After this, a quality review and ranking will be conducted by the SASUF universities that the researcher is employed at based on the assessment criteria above.

Funding

Participation in the Sustainability Forum will be handled by each individual university, and possible travel grants and what can be covered is locally decided. An acceptance of hosting a poster session during the Sustainability Forum does not automatically provide you with funding from your institution, since there is no central funding from SASUF for participation. This needs to be communicated directly with your local SASUF Coordinator, which you can find contact details to here at the bottom of the page.