



TENTH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL SATN CONFERENCE

DATE: 11 – 13 SEPTEMBER 2018

CONFERENCE CENTRE, ELANGENI HOTEL, DURBAN, KWAZULU NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA

CO-HOST: DURBAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

4TH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION: ROLE OF UNIVERSITIES

CALL FOR PAPERS

The South African Technology Network invites the submission of papers for its Tenth Annual International Conference on the **4th Industrial Revolution: Role of Universities**.

1. CONFERENCE FOCUS

The conference will work in a multidisciplinary way across the various fields and perspectives through which we can address the fundamental and related questions on the 4th Industrial Revolution and the role of universities. This interdisciplinary forum is for scholars, scientists, practitioners from any professional discipline who share an interest in and concern on the implications for higher education on the 4th Industrial Revolution. We are inviting proposals for paper presentations which address the conference and themes below.

2. CONFERENCE THEMES

- a) The 4th Industrial Revolution: International Experience and Trends
- b) The 4th Industrial Revolution: Implications for Higher Education
- c) University Industry Partnerships in the changing world of work
- d) The 4th Industrial Revolution and Sustainable Futures

3. PAPER SUBMISSIONS

Papers are invited on substantial, original and unpublished research on the above conference themes. Papers should describe original work; should emphasize completed work rather than intended work and should indicate clearly the state of completion of the reported results. Wherever appropriate, concrete evaluation results should be included.

A paper accepted for presentation at the SATN conference cannot be presented or have been presented at any other conference with published proceedings. Papers that are being submitted to other conferences or workshops must be indicated on the title page.

4. SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Submission of abstracts should not exceed 500 words, including references. Submissions must be sent electronically to the email address supplied below. As reviewing will be blind the abstracts should not include the authors' name and affiliations. The contact details of the author should be under separate cover.

Proposals are welcomed from all higher education institutions and industry to stimulate wider collaboration amongst researchers. Papers can adopt diverse research methodologies and draw from different theoretical streams and disciplines. We welcome joint papers from academics and practitioners. We also welcome comparative analyses of different countries or approaches to partnership models on innovation and development for sustainable development.

5. EVALUATION OF PAPERS

- a) *The Selection Panel of the Conference Committee will consider all abstracts received by the submission deadline (see dates below) to ensure that the proposed abstract is relevant to the Conference.*
- b) *The authors of abstracts will receive a notification of abstract selection.*
- c) *All full papers will be double-blind reviewed by members of the Conference Committee to ensure an adequate standard, that the proposed subject of their abstract has been followed, that the paper is of a suitable length, the standard of English is adequate and the paper is appropriately referenced.*
- d) *Papers that are accepted will be published in the conference proceedings provided that at least one author registers and presents the paper at the Conference (see the registration section of the conference website for more information about registration).*
- e) *Due to the large number of papers expected for this conference, the Conference Committee prefers that an author present only one paper.*
- f) *Papers that have been presented at the conference will also be considered for further peer evaluation of papers for publication in a dedicated edition of a journal. See the conference website for further details.*

6. TIMEFRAME FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS AND PAPERS:

The following timeframe will apply:

23 April 2018	Conference Abstracts to be submitted
April/May 2018	Conference Committee will review abstracts
18 May 2018	Notification of acceptance of abstracts for full paper submission
13 July 2018	Submission date of full paper
3 August 2018	Notification of acceptance of full paper for presentation at the conference

Only abstracts submitted by the due date will be considered for the conference. Abstracts must be submitted electronically to the following persons:

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Yours faithfully



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THE SOUTH AFRICAN TECHNOLOGY NETWORK TRUST (SATN)

The SATN trust was formally established in 2008 to support the consortium of technology focused universities to promote relevant, impactful and globally competitive qualifications, research and innovation towards a knowledge-based economy.

The following Objectives have been identified:

- To act as an advocacy and lobbying agency for the consortium
- To be a catalyst for socio-economic development
- To promote and enable research and innovation
- To ensure graduates actively contribute to the economy
- To mobilise mutually beneficial national and international Education, Business and Industry networks
- To promote quality technology-based education and training

MEMBER INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANISATIONS:

Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT)
Central University of Technology, Free State (CUT)
Durban University of Technology (DUT)
Mangosuthu University of Technology (MUT)
Tshwane University of Technology (TUT)
Vaal University of Technology (VUT)
University of Mpumalanga (UMP)
Walter Sisulu University (WSU)
Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST)
The Technical University of Kenya (TUK)
Technology Innovation Agency (TIA)

SATN WEBSITE

The following website provides detailed information on the SATN and its projects and activities:

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