



Congress News

**14th International Congress of the Radiation Protection Association
9 - 13 May 2016, Cape Town – South Africa**

IRPA14 ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is available to suit all tastes and budgets, from luxury five star establishments to modest guesthouses and bed and breakfasts. These have been pre-booked for the Congress and delegates will be able to secure their choice of venue at preferential rates through the Congress organisers. Most of the hotels are located in close proximity to both the Cape Town International Convention Centre and the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront.

For full details on the Accommodation options and to book, go to:

<http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Accommodation.asp>

For further information please email Bruce Rumble: brucer@turnergroup.co.za

IRPA14 TECHNICAL TOURS

Pre-Congress Technical Visits and Tours

Delegates will be able to visit a variety of facilities as part of the Technical Visits programme as well as a tour to Necsa. These visits will take place prior to the Congress on Friday 6 May 2016 and can either be attended as a one-day visit or as part of a sightseeing tour. All visits will depart from the Cape Town International Convention Centre except the visit to Necsa.

Koeberg Nuclear Power Station (One Day Visit)

Date: 6 May 2016 / Time: 08h00 to 17h00 / ZAR 650.00 per person

Facilities that would be included in the tour at the Koeberg Nuclear Power Station are:

- The Low/Intermediate Level Waste Storage Facility
- The Emergency Preparedness and Response Control Centre
- The Turbine Hall
- The cooling water intake basin and filtration system
- The Visitor's Centre
- The Radiation Protection Training Facility

Groote Schuur and Tygerberg Hospital (One Day Visit)

Date: 6 May 2016 / Time: 08h00 to 17h00 / ZAR 800.00 per person

The visit entails a tour of the "Heart of Cape Town" Museum (Entrance fee included); a museum built on the Groote Schuur Hospital premises around the first heart transplant. It will also include a tour to the radiotherapy department.

Tygerberg Hospital is a tertiary hospital located in Cape Town. The hospital was officially opened in 1976 and is the largest hospital in the Western Cape and the second largest hospital in South Africa. It acts as a teaching hospital in conjunction with the University of Stellenbosch's Health Science Faculty. The programme will begin with a brief presentation on the history of Medical Physics in South Africa, one of the 1st Medical Physics Associations in the world. This will take place at the Radiation Oncology Department at Tygerberg Hospital. The department hosts four Elekta linear accelerators of which the latest was installed in 2014. You will also see one of the oldest linear accelerators in clinical operation when you visit the 28-year old Elekta Precise treatment unit.

The visit will be concluded with a tour of the PET imaging centre as well as the Nuclear Medicine Department in the main hospital building.

iThemba LABS

Date: 6 May 2016 / Time: 13h00 - 16h00 / ZAR 650.00 per person

The iThemba Laboratory for Accelerator-Based Sciences is a group of multi-disciplinary research laboratories administered by the National Research Foundation. Based at two sites in the Western Cape and Gauteng, these provide facilities for:

- Basic and applied research using particle beams
- Particle radiotherapy for the treatment of cancer
- The supply of accelerator-produced radioactive isotopes for nuclear medicine and research

The preliminary programme includes an overview of the facility and visits the various departments including Nuclear Physics Department, Medical Physics Department, Radiation Biology, and Environmental Radioactivity Laboratory. IThemba is known for its unique combination of neutron and proton therapy. Routine treatment began in 1989 on the p (66) / Be neutron therapy unit, while proton therapy was first undertaken on iThemba's 200 MeV beam in September 1993. The horizontal 200 MeV

proton therapy facility is used mainly for irradiations of intracranial, head and neck lesions. Blood samples from workers implicated in potential over exposures to ionising radiation are routinely referred to the radiobiology laboratory to establish evidence for cellular radiation damage. Operational radiation protection is challenge is such in a unique exposure environment

South African Nuclear Energy Corporation (Necsa)

Date: 4 - 7 May 2016 / ZAR 5100.00 per person sharing & ZAR 7665.00 per single

This two day (5 & 6 May) tour will afford delegates the opportunity to visit a variety of nuclear facilities at Necsa's picturesque Pelindaba Site located 70 km from the OR Tambo airport, Johannesburg.



Necsa is a state-owned company responsible for undertaking and promoting Research and Development in the field of nuclear energy and radiation sciences. It is also responsible for processing source material, including uranium enrichment, and cooperating with other institutions, locally and abroad, on nuclear and related matters.

For full details on the Technical Tours and to book, go to:

http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Tours/tours_Technical.asp

Final Technical Tours booking date: 3 March 2016

IRPA14 PRE & POST TOURS

South Africa is the perfect holiday destination!

Experience the majestic splendour of South Africa's wildlife, culture and tradition.

Take the time to plan activities before or after the congress, bring your family or plan something with your colleagues and friends.

Excursion Name	PRICE FROM:
POST Kruger National Park: 13 – 17 May 16 If you want to see the "Big 5," this is the place to go. http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Tours/overland/KrugerSTD.asp	ZAR 13 720pp

<p>PRE Garden Route: 5 – 8 May 16</p> <p>Travel to one of the world's most entrancing coastlines from Port Elizabeth via Wilderness and Knysna to Cape Town.</p> <p>http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Tours/overland/GardenRoutePRE.asp</p>	<p>ZAR 12 313pp</p>
<p>Cape Town and Surrounds: Pre and Post Congress Excursion.</p> <p>This is a tour that will give you intimate insights into all that Cape Town and the surrounding regions have to offer.</p> <p>http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Tours/overland/CapeTownAndSurrounds.asp</p>	<p>ZAR 8000pp</p>
<p>Kruger Fly in Safari: Pre & Post Congress Excursion.</p> <p>Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve is an unspoilt part of Africa ecologically and geographically integrated with the adjacent Kruger National Park. No minimum required.</p> <p>http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Tours/overland/KrugerFLYin.asp</p>	<p>ZAR 24 390pp</p>
<p>Fly in Eastern Cape Luxury Excursion: Pre & Post Congress Excursion.</p> <p>Shamwari Game Reserve, the malaria free, private game reserve offers the ultimate African adventure and conservation effort coupled with responsible tourism. No minimum required.</p> <p>http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Tours/overland/ECPrivateGameReserve.asp</p>	<p>ZAR 16 667pp</p>

Certain tours are subject to a minimum of five passengers. If minimum numbers are not achieved you will be offered an alternative tour, equal in value or you will be refunded in full.

For tours to Victoria Falls / Zambia & Botswana, kindly contact Deveena Naiker (deveenan@turnergroup.co.za) , for a quotation. Longer fly in packages are available on request.

For full details on the Pre and Post Tours and to book, go to:
http://www.irpa2016capetown.org.za/Tours/tours_overland.asp

Final booking date is 10 March 2016 thereafter bookings will be on a request basis



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