

Announcements



The 2012 International Aquarium Congress (IAC) is now just 10 months away. Your host, the Two Oceans Aquarium in Cape Town, South Africa, looks forward to welcoming you to our shores from 9 to 14 September 2012.

The IAC, which takes place every four years, is the most important and prestigious event for the public aquarium industry. It has been held in several countries, but 2012 marks the first year that the congress will take place in the Southern Hemisphere and on African soil.

Click here to view the provisional 2012 IAC programme: http://iac2012.co.za/congress/preliminary_programme/congress_programme/

Register now and save

Early-bird registration is now open at a reduced rate. You'll pay just ZAR5 500 if you register between now and 31 January 2012.

Click here to register now: <http://iac2012.co.za/congress/register/>

Keynote speakers announced

We are delighted to announce the three guest speakers who will be delivering keynote addresses during the opening ceremony of the 2012 IAC on 10 September 2012.

Dr Camille Parmesan was ranked by Reuters ISI Web of Science as the second most highly cited author in the field of climate change in 2010. Read more: http://iac2012.co.za/blog/entry/dr_camille_parmesan_to_speak_at_2012_international_aquarium_congress/

Dr Elin Kelsey will deliver a keynote for the 2012 IAC that positions "hope" as an emerging narrative for aquariums around the world. According to Kelsey, "Aquariums have a unique ability to engender emotional connections between people, animals and environments." Read more: http://iac2012.co.za/blog/entry/dr_erin_kelsey_brings_hope_to_2012_international_aquarium_congress/

Emeritus Professor George Branch is a world-renowned authority on the southern African marine environment. His passionate and entertaining lectures inspire a huge appreciation and understanding of the marine world. Read more: <http://iac2012.co.za/blog/entry/>

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Call for papers

Prospective presenters are now invited to submit their abstracts for papers or posters to be presented at the 8th International Aquarium Congress (IAC) in Cape Town, South Africa from 9 to 14 September 2012.

Click here to learn about our themes and submission guidelines: http://iac2012.co.za/congress/call_for_papers/

Sponsor and exhibit

At the 2012 IAC, you will have the opportunity to meet with key decision makers in exhibitory, conservation, sustainability and education fields. Top management personnel from aquariums from around the world are expected to attend.

We offer a unique opportunity to exhibit to leading industry professionals from around the world.

Click here to learn more about our exhibition options: <http://iac2012.co.za/exhibit/>

We also have a number of sponsorship and exposure opportunities to suit your budget and requirements, from top-end endorsements to green initiatives, as well as a host of advertising and advertorial opportunities.

Click here to learn more about our sponsorship opportunities: <http://iac2012.co.za/sponsor/>

About the Two Oceans Aquarium

The southern tip of the African continent is the meeting place of two mighty and bountiful oceans, the Indian and the Atlantic. The Two Oceans Aquarium on the V&A Waterfront, Cape Town is ideally positioned to showcase the incredible diversity of marine life found in these two oceans. The Aquarium is one of the top tourist attractions in Cape Town and over 3000 living sea animals, many of which are endemic to southern African waters, can be seen in this spectacular underwater nature reserve.

Visit the Two Oceans Aquarium website for more information: <http://www.aquarium.co.za/>