

YOUR GUIDE TO



Southern African
Geophysical Association



12-16
OCT 2026

LAGOON BEACH HOTEL & SPA
CAPE TOWN

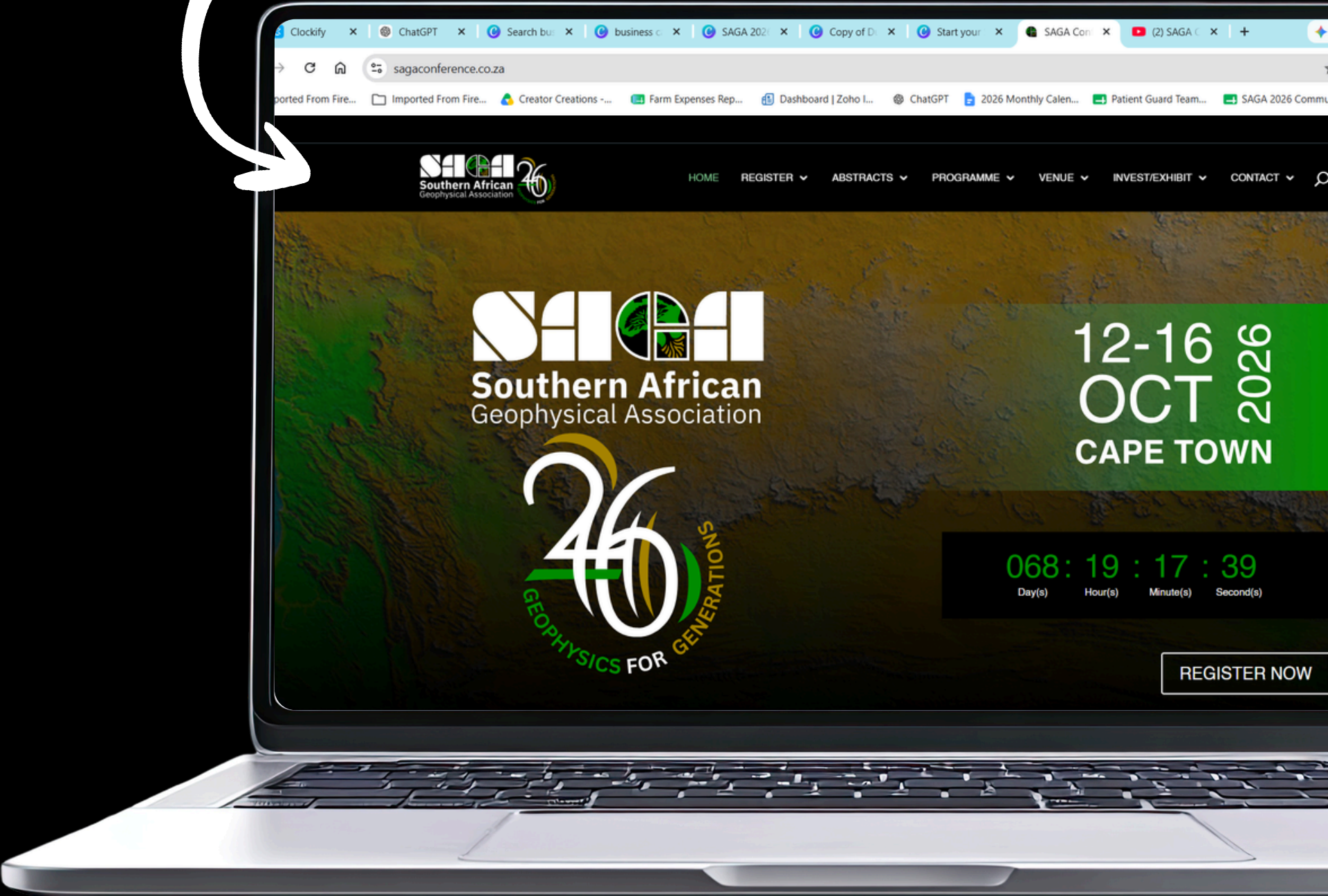
YOUR GUIDE TO SAGA 2026

With weeks to go before SAGA 2026, this short reference document – with links to more information - will help you get the most out of the conference.



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BIG METAL INVESTORS

PLATINUM



Council for Geoscience



GOLD



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BARRICK

COPPER



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SEEQUENT

ADDITIONAL INVESTORS



CORPORATE MEMBERS



EXHIBITORS



SAGA'S BIG PICTURE

Fri 9 Oct – Sun 11 Oct 2026

- Wine and Whales - 3 day / 2 nights Tour
- Garden Route - 3 day / 2 nights Tour

Sat 17 Oct 2026

- Day tour of the Cape Peninsula
- Post-conference Field Trip

Sun 11 Oct 2026

- Geology walk from Rhodes Memorial to King's Blockhouse Pre-Conf Field Trip

Fri 16 Oct 2026

- Franschhoek MCC Wine Day Tour
- Post-conference workshops

Mon 12 Oct 2026

- Table Mountain, Cape Point & Boulders Day Tour
- Pre-conference workshops
- Pre-conference golf day
- Welcome Function

Thu 15 Oct 2026

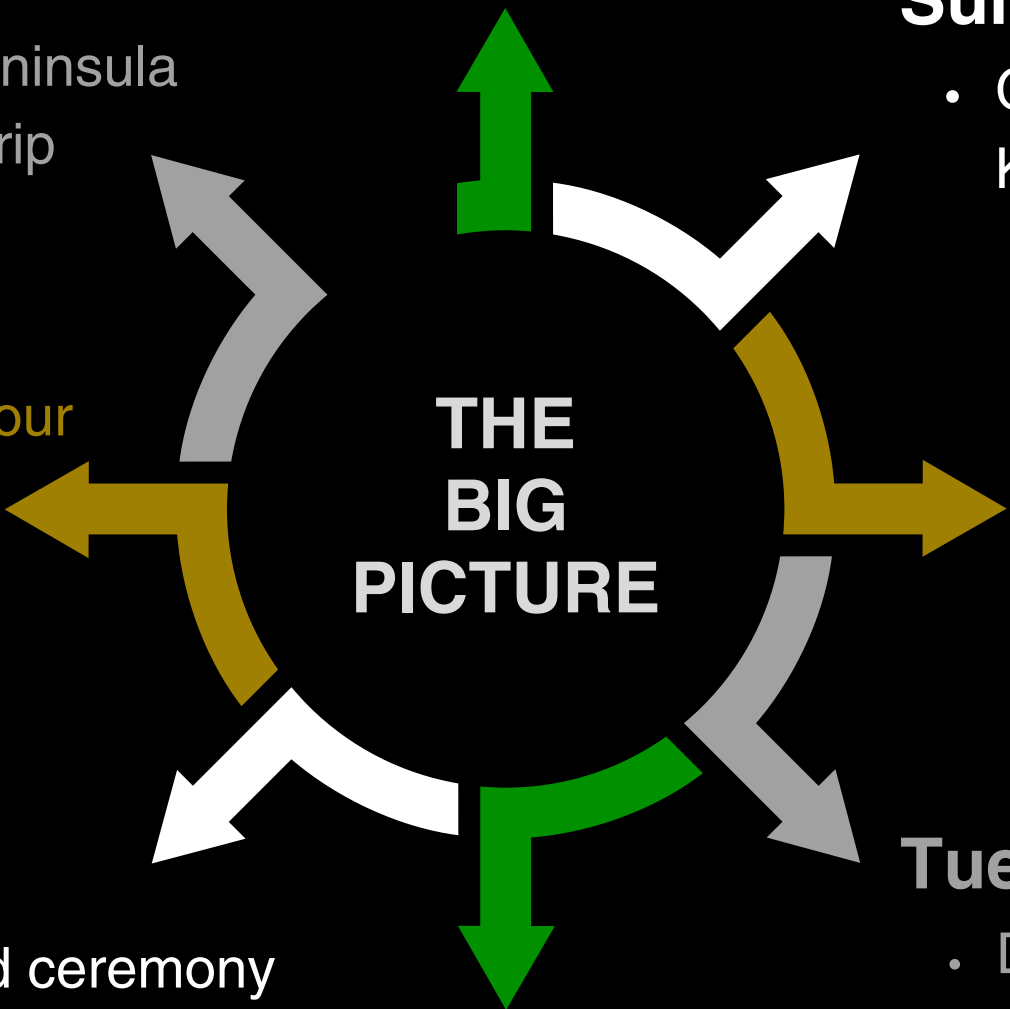
- Day 3 conference
- Closing and award ceremony

Tue 13 Oct 2026

- Day 1 conference
- Networking dinner

Wed 14 Oct 2026

- Day 2 conference
- Gala Dinner



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Check out our line-up of
Keynote speakers. Click
on their images to view
their bios.



Dr. Damian Pasiecznik



Bruce Engelsman



Dr. Ricky Murray



Petro du Pisani



Dr. Nils Backeberg

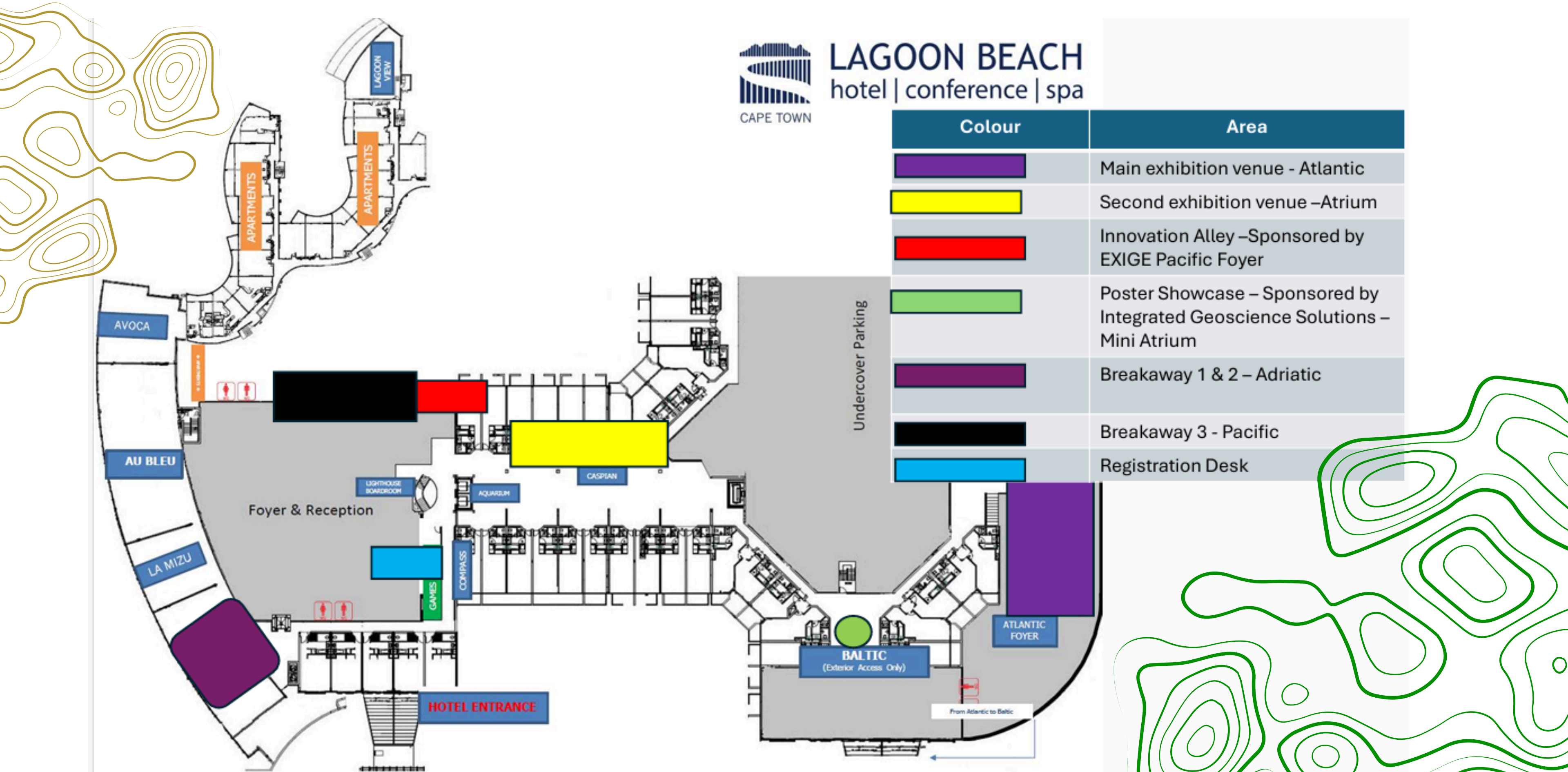


Prof. Susan Webb



Prof. Raymond Durrheim

THE VENUE



SOCIAL SCHEDULE

Monday 12 October
WELCOME FUNCTION
Start time @ 18:30

Join us for the start of SAGA 2026 in the Exhibition areas at the Lagoon Beach Hotel and Spa. We will spend the evening re-connecting with friends and colleagues and meeting new delegates. There will be food, drinks and music to kick-start the Conference.



Tuesday 13 October
SAGA's 50th BIRTHDAY DINNER
Start time @ 18:30

Join us for SAGA's 50th Birthday Party on the rooftop of the Lagoon Beach Hotel and Spa (weather permitting).



Wednesday 14 October
HERITAGE THEMED GALA DINNER
Start time @ 18:30

This is not to be missed. Remember to pack your own heritage outfits! We can't promise an early night!





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Birthday bash

OCT 13 2026 @ 18:30

Venue:
Lagoon Beach Hotel – Pool Deck

Dress Code/Theme:
Join the celebration by wearing SAGA's colours – green, black and gold. Let's mark this milestone in style as we celebrate 50 years of SAGA with colleagues, friends and the geophysical community.

HERITAGE GALADINNER

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Departure:

Coaches will depart from Lagoon Beach Hotel between 17:30 and 17:45 (prompt departure)

Start: 18:30

Venue:

Moyo Restaurant, Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden, Rhodes Drive, Newlands, Cape Town

Dress Code/Theme:

Celebrate your heritage. We invite you to wear traditional, cultural or heritage-inspired attire that reflects your roots or a heritage of your choice as we enjoy an unforgettable evening in one of South Africa's most iconic settings.



SAGA 2026 Award Ceremony

- FQM's Best Paper & Best Poster Awards
- Geofocus' Innovation Award
- 'SEIS the Moment' Photo Contest Awards

Golf Day

- Milnerton Golf Club
- Prizes to be won
- Inaugural Du Plooy–Van Rensburg Legacy Trophy

Exhibition

- +36 Exhibitors
- Atlantic and Atrium

"SEIS the Moment" Photo Contest

- Apply via [this link](#)

SAGA's 50th Birthday Party

- 'Half a Century, One Community'
- Lagoon Beach Hotel Roof top
- 13 Oct

Technical Sessions:

- Hydro-geophysics
- Engineering geophysics
- CGS' technical session

More to come – final program under preparation

EXIGE's Innovation & Investment Alley

- Speed Talks (Pacific)
- Poster Area (Pacific Foyer)

IGS' Poster Presentations

- Poster Showcase (Mini Atrium)
- Poster Happy Hour (Mini Atrium, 13 Oct, 5-6pm)
- Speed Talks (Pacific)

Workshops

Pre-conference (12 Oct)

- SimPEG
- Wireline
- Oasis

Post-conference (16 Oct)

- FTG
- Drone

Panel Discussions

Speed Talks

- Innovation & Investment Alley
- Posters
- Exhibitors

SAGA 2026 Gala Dinner

- Heritage theme
- Moyo Restaurant at Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens
- 14 Oct

FEATURES OVERVIEW

WORKSHOPS

SAGA is pleased to present a series of workshops developed in collaboration with partners across the geosciences industry. These partnerships bring together experienced presenters to deliver instruction on a diverse range of topics. Workshops are offered as pre- and post-conference events, which can be booked on the online SAGA registration portal.

Title:	Date:	Duration:	Presenter(s):	CPD	Workshop Details:
SimPEG open-source modelling and inversion with Geoscience ANALYST Pro Geophysics	Oct 12, 2026	Full Day Course	Kristofer Davis and James Reid	1	Click Here
Wireline Logging from First Principles to Practical Interpretation	Oct 12, 2026	Full Day Course	Warren Krynie	1	Click Here
A new era for radiometric data processing in Oasis montaj	Oct 12, 2026	09:00 – 16:45	Victor Mapuranga and Han Limburg	1	Click Here
Integrated interpretation of FTG, magnetic, EM and geological data, with hands-on exercises	Oct 16, 2026	Full Day Course	James Reid, Kristofer Davis, Richard Farnell	1	Click Here
Drone Geophysics in African Natural Resources Exploration	Oct 16, 2026	08:30 – 17:30	Laurent Ameglio, Stephanie Enslin, Edgar Stettler, Dan Eremenco, Ron Bell, Lemuel Toloza, Marshall MacNabb, Han Limburg	1	Click Here

GEOLOGY WALK WITH PROFESSOR COMPTON, FROM RHODES MEMORIAL TO KING'S BLOCKHOUSE

Leader: Professor John Compton

October 11 2026 | 07:30 – 12:00

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE](#)



PRE-CONFERENCE

POST-CONFERENCE



DAY TOUR OF THE CAPE PENINSULA , GUIDED BY PROFESSOR COMPTON

Leader: Professor John Compton

October 17 2026 | 08:30 to 16:00

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE](#)

FIELD TRIPS

SOUTHERN AFRICAN GEOPHYSICAL ASSOCIATION

SEIS THE MOMENT

PHOTO CONTEST

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE](#)

THE INNOVATION &
INVESTMENT ALLEY

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE](#)



LAGOON BEACH HOTEL



1 LAGOON GATE DRIVE, MILNERTON, CAPE TOWN

Situated on the beachfront with views of Table Mountain, the hotel offers direct beach access and is approximately 20 minutes from Cape Town CBD and 25 minutes from Cape Town International Airport. A complimentary scheduled shuttle operates to the V&A Waterfront and Century City.



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Hotel Check-in & Check-out

Check-in: From 14:00

**Check-out: By 11:00 (10:00 for those in
apartments)**

Luggage storage is available through Reception for early arrivals or late departures (subject to availability).

Hotel Reception

Hotel reception is open 24 hours a day.

Hotel Tel: +27 (0)21 528 2000

Complimentary Wi-Fi

Free uncapped Wi-Fi is available throughout the hotel, including guest rooms and conference facilities. Login details will be provided at Reception and displayed within the conference venue.

Parking

Parking is complimentary, and we recommend using the underground parking area, which offers convenient and secure access.

Emergency Contacts

Hotel Reception: +27 (0)21 528 2000
Conference Registration Desk: 073 435 0886
Ambulance: 10177
Emergency Services (mobile): 112
South African Police Service: 10111

Milnerton Mediclinic is our nearest healthcare facility for any medical emergencies. We also have trained First Aiders and Fire Marshals on site who are available to assist with minor incidents and provide immediate support while awaiting the arrival of emergency medical services, if required.

Health & Safety

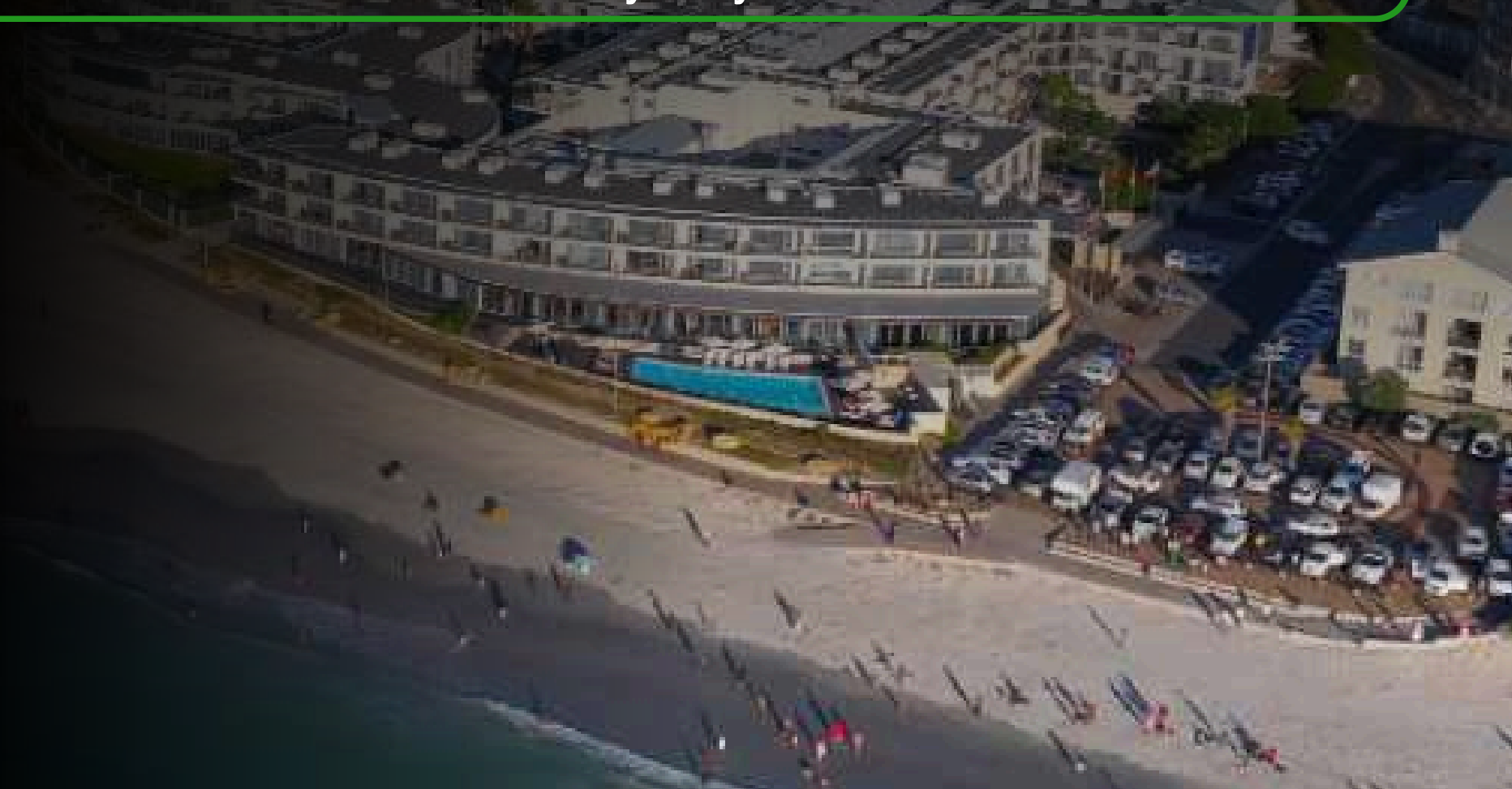
Please wear your conference name badge at all conference functions.

Emergency exits are clearly marked throughout the venue.

In the event of an emergency, please follow instructions from hotel staff and conference personnel.

Hotel Facilities

- Direct beach access
- Three swimming pools
- Camelot Spa
- Restaurants and bars (breakfast is from 06h30 – 10h30 weekdays & 07h00 – 11h00 weekends)
- Fitness centre
- Complimentary scheduled shuttle service to the V&A Waterfront and Century City



Getting Around Cape Town

Cape Town International Airport:
Approximately 25 minutes

V&A Waterfront:
Approximately 15–20 minutes

Cape Town CBD:
Approximately 15 minutes

Canal Walk Shopping Centre:
Approximately 10 minutes

Table Mountain Cableway:
Approximately 20–25 minutes

Useful Tips

- Tap water is safe to drink.
- South Africa uses Type M electrical plugs (220–230V).
- October weather is generally mild (approximately 15–23°C), but mornings and evenings can be cool.
- Cape Town weather can change quickly, so bringing a light jacket is recommended.
- Please take care of personal belongings, particularly when exploring tourist attractions.



WE CAN'T WAIT TO WELCOME YOU



Need Assistance?

The Via Africa Conferencing team will be available throughout the conference. If you have any questions regarding the programme, accommodation, transport, or social events, please visit the Registration Desk—we're happy to help.

Safe travels. See you in Cape Town. #19SAGA2026

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