



The 4th World Congress on
Family Law and Children's Rights



Registration Brochure

The Convention on the Rights of
the Child in the 21st Century:

Securing rights for children
in an age of uncertainty



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Congress Venue

The Congress is to be held at the beautiful new Cape Town International Convention Centre, Convention Square, 1 Lower Long Street, Cape Town.

The Centre is located near one of the city's newest development, Roggebaai Canal, which provides a water-taxi route between the CTICC and the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront. It is adjacent to the Arabella Sheraton, the main congress hotel.

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Welcome



Stuart Fowler



*The Hon Justice
Rodney K Burr*

On behalf of the World Congress Organising Committee we invite you to participate in the 4th World Congress on Family Law and Children's Rights to be held in Cape Town, South Africa in March, 2005. This is the fourth such gathering, following the inaugural Congress in Sydney, Australia in 1993; the second in San Francisco, USA in 1997; and the third in Bath, England in 2001.

The fact that the World Congress is meeting for the fourth time in another country and on another continent is a tremendous achievement. We believe that over 1000 experts from in excess of 80 countries will contribute to a challenging educational forum across four days. Past Congresses have led to long-term collaborations and multi-disciplinary exchanges that have crossed borders and cultures. We know this meeting will continue that proud tradition.

We are honoured that Madame Graça Machel has seen fit to be Patron of the 4th World Congress. It is her wish that we involve as many from Africa and the developing world as possible and whose contribution to the Congress might otherwise be restricted for financial reasons. This is a key endeavour of the Organising Committee and we draw your attention to one of our strategies in this regard, the Support a Delegate programme, which you will find on our website at www.lawrights.asn.au

The Congress marks the 15th anniversary of the promulgation and adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child by Member States of the United Nations in 1990. It is fitting, at this time, that we should meet to review compliance with the most widely ratified treaty in history, especially in light of the global endorsement of the Millennium Development Goals. The rights of children are central to sustainable social and economic development and the 4th World Congress gives us a timely opportunity to reflect on our progress so far in light of these development targets.

Although real progress has been made since the Convention was adopted, UNICEF reports tell us, children are still dying in appalling numbers from preventable diseases and HIV-AIDS. Some 300,000 are child soldiers, or otherwise victims of the ultimate obscenity, war. Over one million are exploited every year in the multi-billion dollar sex industry; they are trafficked around the world and many millions live in poverty and hunger without the opportunity of even a basic education.

The World Congress on Family Law and Children's Rights has become a significant international meeting of family lawyers and of legal practitioners, jurists, academics, human rights advocates and associated professionals, including those in the health and caring professions and others with a common concern for the protection of these children and the promotion and protection of their universally acknowledged and fundamental human rights.

We are enormously proud of the commitment of our past delegates who collectively apply their intellectual rigour in reviewing laws, policies and practices and by contributing to the evolution of scholarship in the human rights discourse. This was in no small way achieved under the guidance of The Hon Dr Peter Nygh. Peter has sadly passed away. It is



our intention to honour his significant intellectual contribution and extraordinary dedication to promote social justice for the most vulnerable, with the establishment of the Peter Nygh Award and the Peter Nygh Address. Both of these will commence in Cape Town in 2005.

The 2005 Congress also marks the establishment of Children's Rights International, a new not for profit organisation devoted to children's rights. This innovative development, which flowed from the Bath Congress, will be calling on your support and practical participation to assist it in its educational and advocacy work. Cape Town will present the opportunity to progress the development of the network in practical ways and time will be set aside during the Congress to this end.

A world which respects and values children can be assured that those children are more likely to respect and value each other and create a better world for future generations.

We look forward to seeing you in Cape Town in 2005.

*The Hon Justice Rodney K Burr and Stuart Fowler
Congress Co-Chairs*

Congress Theme

The Convention on the Rights of the Child in the 21st Century: Securing rights for children in an age of uncertainty

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child came into force in September 1990, under the terms of Article 49 of UNCROC. It is now the most ratified of all UN Human Rights Conventions. Its 15th anniversary will be marked in 2005.

The 4th World Congress, in 2005, will evaluate the progress and achievements relating to the Convention on its anniversary and will explore the challenges ahead in securing rights for children in the 21st century. The Congress will reflect on whether UNCROC addresses the correct issues in the light of concerns with nationalism, identity and globalisation, or whether new approaches to protecting children's rights are needed.

The Congress will address this theme through the following sub-themes:

1. The effect of the UN Convention on the rights and lives of children in relation to specific issues, such as children in war, refugee children, the rights of indigenous children, HIV/AIDS and religious and cultural freedoms.
2. The effects of the Convention in specific countries, regions or cultural contexts.
3. Exploring the implications of the Convention for legal practice and legal process, such as the child's right to participate in proceedings, post-separation financial security, and child-focussed legal practices.
4. Examining issues of enforcement of Convention provisions through UN processes, domestic enforcement of international norms and political processes.

Invited Speakers



Mme Graça Machel

Patron
UN Study on the Impact of
Armed Conflict on Children

Carol Bellamy

Executive Director
United Nations
Children's Fund (UNICEF)

Prof Savitri Goonesekere

Professor of Law
University of Colombo,
Sri Lanka

**Rt Hon The Baroness
Hale of Richmond**

DBE, PC, a Lord of
Appeal in Ordinary,
United Kingdom

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**The Hon Justice
Yvonne Mokgoro,**

Constitutional Court of
South Africa

Mary Robinson

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Ethical Globalization
Initiative

Prof Geraldine Van Beuren

*Professor of International Human
Rights Law*
Universities of London and
Cape Town

Maria Eugenia Villarreal

International Peace
Research Association,
Guatemala

The Hon Philip Ruddock

Attorney-General for Australia

Programme Matrix

Provisional Programme,
Cape Town International Convention Centre

Sunday 20th March, 2005

12 Noon-8.00 pm
Registration
Cape Town International Convention Centre

3.00 pm-4.00 pm
Opening Plenary
Mme Graça Machel, Patron of the 4th World Congress

4.00 pm-5.00 pm
The Hon. Dr Peter Nygh Memorial Lecture
Speaker: Mary Robinson, Executive Director, Ethical Globalization Initiative, New York, USA
Chair: The Hon Philip Ruddock, Attorney-General for Australia

5.00 pm-6.00 pm
Childrens Rights International - Update
Speaker: Stuart Fowler, Congress Co-Chair

6.00 pm-7.30 pm
Welcome Reception

Monday 21st March, 2005

9.00 am-10.30 am
Plenary 2
Constitutions and Children's Rights
Speaker: The Hon Justice Yvonne Mokgoro, Constitutional Court of South Africa
Understanding Children's Rights: Theory and Practice
Speaker: The Rt Hon Baroness Hale of Richmond, DBE, PC, a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, London, United Kingdom

10.30 am-11.00 am
Morning tea

Parallel Sessions

Country reports	Children and legal processes	International relocation: A children's rights perspective	Children and war
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12.30 pm-1.30 pm
Luncheon

Parallel Sessions

Children's financial security: Child support	Refugee, immigration and nationality	The child's right to privacy	UNCROC and domestic law
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3.00 pm - 3.30 pm
Afternoon tea

Parallel Sessions

Children, culture and religion	Judicial education and children's rights	Public education and fulfilment of conventional ideals	Social, political and economic rights
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7.30 pm
Restaurant night

Tuesday 22nd March, 2005

9.00 am-10.30 am

Plenary 3

Women's Rights and Children's Rights
Speaker: Professor Savitri Goonesekere, CEDAW, Sri Lanka

10.30 am-11.00 am
 Morning tea

11.00 am-12.30 pm

Parallel Sessions

Child-focussed legal practices	Children, culture and religion	Children and political participation	UNCROC and domestic law
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12.30 pm-1.30 pm
 Luncheon

1.30 pm-3.00 pm

Parallel Sessions

Enforcement and UN processes	Country reports	Children and legal processes	Post-separation parenting and children's rights
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3.00 pm - 3.30 pm
 Afternoon tea

3.30 pm - 5.00 pm

Parallel Sessions

Children's financial security - the welfare state	Social, political and economic rights for children	Refugees and immigration	Law Reform in Southern and Eastern Africa
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7.30 pm

Congress Dinner, Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens

Wednesday 23rd March, 2005

9.30 am-10.30 am

Plenary 4

Protecting Children's Rights
Speaker: Carol Bellamy, Executive Director, UNICEF, USA

10.30 am-11.00am
 Morning tea

11.00 am-12.30pm

Parallel Sessions

Children's Commissioners and Ombudsmen	Women's rights and children's rights	Children and AIDS	Children and financial security - Property adjustment
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12.30 pm-1.30 pm
 Luncheon

1.30 pm - 3.30 pm

Plenary 5

Children in Armed Conflict
Speaker: Maria Eugenia Villareal, Executive Director ECPAT, Guatemala (IPRA)

The Excluded-Using Law to Take Children Out of Poverty

Speaker: Professor Geraldine Van Beuren, Universities of London and Cape Town

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm
 Afternoon tea

4.00 pm - 5.30 pm
 Closing Ceremony and Congress Resolutions

Programme Changes: The organisers have the right to make changes to the programme at any time without reference

Papers Information

Call for Papers

The World Congress on Family Law and Children's Rights invites submissions to be directed to the Director of Studies, Professor John Dewar through the on line submission process at www.lawrights.asn.au

All abstracts MUST be submitted electronically, or by fax. Submissions will be reviewed by a panel and presenters notified in October 2004. Paper presenters should be aware that they will be required to register in the normal way for the Congress and pay the advertised registration fees.

Should you wish to receive further information in regard to your submission, please email the Congress Manager at lawrights@capcon.com.au or fax +61 2 9999 5733.

Provision of papers

Abstracts will be provided upon registering on site at the congress. This will be included in your congress material. Full papers are frequently hard to come by in all cases, but what we have will be available through the website post congress.

Publication

Selected papers presented at the World Congress will be published in a special issue of the Family Court Review in July 2006. Family Court Review is the research and academic journal of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts published in collaboration with Hofstra University School of Law, New York.

Accreditation Information & "Support a Delegate"

Continuing Professional Development/ Continuing Legal Education

This congress has been accredited in many countries throughout the world. Delegates should contact their local Law Societies and Bar Associations where CPD/CLE is mandatory and enquire as to whether and what points are given and if a certificate of attendance would be sufficient to give you accreditation in your jurisdiction.

For those who require a certificate, they can be obtained from the Secretariat upon registering for the congress in Cape Town, provided they are REQUESTED IN ADVANCE, by ticking the relevant box on the registration form and the appropriate fee is paid for when registering prior to the congress.

Certificates will only be issued to delegates upon registration and will be authenticated by Secretariat Staff at the Registration Desk.

"Support a Delegate"

This programme is a way in which you, or your organisation, can assist people from Africa and the Developing World, who should for the contribution they are able to make to children in our society, be able to attend the World Congress, but are financially unable to do so. The basic costs involve travel, registration fees and accommodation.

If you are interested in the "Support a Delegate" programme please visit our website: www.lawrights.asn.au

or

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General Information

South Africa

South Africa is a country of compelling contrasts and diversity. Landscapes, wildlife and people provide a rich tapestry of life and the term “Rainbow Nation” is certainly an apt one.

An hour’s drive from Johannesburg and Pretoria you can see lion, elephant, buffalo and hundreds more species in their natural environments.

The country is home to an extraordinary selection of ethnic groups, cultures, creeds and languages. Currently there are 11 official languages: English, Afrikaans, isiZulu, isiXhosa, isiNdebele, Tshivenda, siSwati, Sesotho, Sepedi, Xistonga and Setswana.

South Africa has an interesting structure in that Pretoria is the capital and where the country’s administration is based; Cape Town is the legislative capital and Bloemfontein is the judicial capital.

Cape Town

Cape Town is situated in the lee of Table Mountain, which provides a striking backdrop to the city and the beautiful coastline. The city is the seat of South Africa’s parliament as well as the Western Cape Provincial Government. Its many historic sites, and its pivotal role in securing the country’s peaceful political transformation, have secured its status as an international beacon of humanity and idealism.

Game Reserves

Safari - what a wonderful word. It conjures up romantic images of untamed wildlife, magical scenery and beautiful African sunsets.

The most famous is Kruger National Park where camping and self-catering accommodation is offered as well as more up-market options.

It probably is fair to say that if you go to a private game lodge and safari camp you are more likely to find some of Africa’s most famous animals with the assistance of expert rangers. This service is included in their safari packages. The accommodation at private lodges varies from comfortable to almost decadent, and all meals and game activities are included in the price.

USEFUL WEBSITES for international travellers

South African Tourism: www.southafricantourism.com

Cape Town Tourism: www.cape-town.org

CTICC: www.capetownconvention.com

Electricity: Electricity is 220/230 volts, 15 amps and is supplied through either 15-amp three prong or 5-amp two prong plugs, in both cases round pins. A three-point round-pin adapter plug is required for razors, hairdryers and travel irons. These can be purchased in South Africa.

Malaria: Kruger National Park, the Lowveld of Mpumalanga and Limpopo can pose malaria risk during the summer months, so ensure that if visiting these places you pack repellent, long pants, and closed shoes.

Passports/Visas: Passports must be valid for up to six months after the intended date of return from South Africa and all visitors must have a return ticket. Please check with your Embassy or High Commission for rules relating to your country’s visa requirements as there are a number of different procedures in place globally.

Safety Issues: As with all major cities around the world, due care has to be taken to avoid pickpockets and bag snatchers in the tourist areas. Check with your hotel where you can safely walk in the evening. Alternatively taxis are easily available and inexpensive and English is commonly used.

Taxis: Although cheap, insist that the meter is switched on at the beginning of the trip. A small tip, ie. rounding up to the nearest Rand is acceptable.

Weather: In summer and early autumn lightweight clothing is the norm. While some establishments require conservative attire for the evening, most stipulate smart casual e.g. collared-shirt and slacks. At game reserves, neutral colours such as browns, beiges and khakis are advisable for game drives. Pack a sweater for the early morning and after dusk.

Airport Pickup: Congress shuttle buses will run between the Cape Town International Airport and the congress hotels to assist delegates with arrival arrangements only. This bus service is free of charge for congress registrants and will be available between 0800 and 2000 hours on Sunday 20th March. Please advise Estimated Time of Arrival on the **Booking Form 2** entitled Accommodation, Tours and Transfers. Alternatively taxis are available at the airport.

Language: The official language of the congress is English.

Programme: Updated programme details will be available on a regular basis on the website.

Letters of Invitation: We are unable to send visa supporting application letters to delegates prior to receipt of your registration form and full payment of fees.

Certificate of Attendance: Certificates of Attendance will be available at the congress for R50 provided they are REQUESTED IN ADVANCE and PRE-PAID by completing the relevant section on the registration form. Certificates will be available upon registering at the congress in Cape Town.

Special Assistance: If you have a particular dietary, mobility or other need, please advise the Secretariat at Capital Conferences in advance, so that arrangements can be made to assist you.

VAT Note: Delegates are advised to keep the receipts for items which they purchase in South Africa in order that they can claim back the VAT paid (14%). Receipts should be taken with the items purchased for inspection to either the VAT Centre at Cape Town Waterfront or the VAT Centre at the Airport. We would recommend using the Waterfront Centre.

Registration

Registration Fees

All registration fees must be paid in Rand either by bank draft or credit card.

Credit Card Payments: Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Diners. No other cards are accepted. Credit cards will be charged in South African Rand. Your credit card company will convert this cost to the currency of your credit card.

Registration Categories

Registration Categories	Before 10 th Dec 2004	After 10 th Dec 2004	After 10 th Mar 2005
Full Delegate:			
African Delegate	R2200	R2500	R3000
Rest of World	R6200	R6500	R7000
Accompanying Guests:			
From Africa	R450	R450	R550
Rest of World	R750	R750	R850
Daily Registration:			
African Delegate	R750	R750	R950
Rest of World	R2500	R2500	R3000

How to Register:

1. www.lawrights.asn.au and click on "REGISTRATION and FUNCTIONS"
or
2. Registration form entitled **Booking Form 1**, is enclosed and should be submitted by mail or fax

Day Registration

Day registration is restricted to attendance on ONE DAY ONLY. Please nominate the day on the registration form. On Sunday 20th the Welcome Reception is included in the daily rate.

Guests

Only registered guests are entitled to attend the Opening Ceremony and Keynote Address as well as the Welcome Reception, use of the congress pickup buses at the airport and participation in congress social functions and excursions. Accompanying guests may not attend any other working session.

All Other Registration Categories

Entitlements include Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception, luncheon on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, all sessions, documentation and a special security access to the congress website for congress papers as they become available post congress.

Registration Information

All registrants are required to complete a form and either post or fax to the Congress Secretariat at Capital Conferences. Online registration will be available at www.lawrights.asn.au

However, written authorisation must also be received if using a credit card, before registration is official if you use the online facilities. This may be done by fax or post.

AGAIN: PLEASE NOTE. Your registration will NOT be processed or confirmed until payment and WRITTEN authorisation is received. This applies in particular to online registration where a confirming fax will need to be sent and signed by the authorising cardholder. Details required are name, address, authorised amount and signature.

Bank Drafts and Merchant Card Fees

Delegates will be responsible for all bank fees associated with the payments.

Confirmation

Capital Conferences will send/email a confirmation letter acknowledging your registration and congress social functions. You must bring this confirmation letter with you when you register at the Congress. If you do not receive a confirmation letter within 3 weeks this would indicate that your registration was not received and you should resend the information.

Cancellations, Refunds or Changes

Cancellations must be received in writing by Capital Conferences. Cancellations received prior to 10th January 2005 will be refunded less an administration fee. Refunds will be issued in the same currency as submitted. The following cancellation fees will apply:

Registration Type	Cancellation Fee
Full Delegate	
African Delegate	R220
Rest of World	R620
Daily Registration	
African Delegate	R75
Rest of World	R250

After 10th January 2005 cancellations will not be refunded but substitutions will be accepted.

Refunds will be given for all social functions cancelled prior to 20th February 2005.

Refunds will be given for accommodation cancelled prior to 15th December 2004. From this date on refunds will be at the discretion of the hotel. However substitutions are acceptable and the Secretariat lawrights@capcon.com.au should be advised of these changes.

Liability

Neither the World Congress organisers nor their agents will accept liability for any loss of moneys incurred by registrants resulting from their attendance at the congress.

Congress Functions

The Welcome Reception is included in the registration fee for delegates and registered guests and will be held at the Cape Town International Convention Centre after the Opening and Keynote addresses on Sunday 20th March.

The township tours are half day tours and the price includes a donation to the centre for community needs.

The congress dinner is R295 per person. Bus transfers to the dinner will be provided from the congress hotels to the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens and return.

6.00 pm - 8.00pm : Sunday 20th March:
Welcome Reception, Cape Town International Convention Centre

9.30am - 12.00 noon : Monday 21st March:
African Township Tour,
R250 per person

9.30am - 12.00 noon : Tuesday 22nd March:
African Township Tour,
R250 per person

7.30 pm - 12.00 midnight : Congress Dinner,
Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens,
R295 per person

9.30am - 12.00 noon : Wednesday 23rd March:
African Township Tour,
R250 per person

All other tours have been outsourced by the Congress to a specialist African company and may be booked on the **Booking Form 2** entitled Accommodation, Excursions and Transfers. This form is available as a hard copy in the registration brochure as well as online at www.lawrights.asn.au



The Township tours will take delegates from the Convention Centre to Khayelitsha, one of the local townships where you will have an opportunity to view and buy local craft and you will then be taken in small groups by community volunteers to look inside a number of dwellings and be given an explanation of how life is lived and managed by residents in the townships. This tour is a must for all delegates who are interested in South Africa, its history, its heritage and its future.



Bookings are essential for all of the above functions and can be completed on **Booking Form 1** entitled Registration and Functions. This form is available as a hard copy in the registration brochure as well as online at www.lawrights.asn.au

Accommodation, Tours & Transfers

Global Conferences has been appointed to manage accommodation, airport transfers and excursions for the congress. The company is based in Cape Town and will be on site during the congress at the convention centre. If you book your accommodation and excursions online you will be able to interact with the database to make any subsequent changes that may be required.

Booking Form 2, entitled Accommodation, Tours and Transfers should be used to book these activities.

Contact details are as follows:

Email: familylaw@globalconf.co.za

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Accommodation

- * Standard check in time is 1500 hours and checkout 1100 hours.
- * All rates are inclusive of breakfasts and 14% VAT, but exclude 1% tourism levy.
- * These special rates are available until 15th December 2004.
- * Cancellations received in writing before 15th Dec 2004 will receive a full refund less a 10% handling fee.
- * Cancellations from 16th December could forfeit one night's accommodation.
- * Cancellation is only accepted when received in writing and acknowledged by Global Conferences
- * Should you fail to arrive on your stipulated day of arrival, the hotel reserves the right to charge your credit card for the loss of revenue for the night or nights in question
- * Should a delegate fail to attend at all (no-show), the hotel will charge a 50% penalty on the total number of room nights initially booked.

Passport details

When you arrive at the official hotels, you will be asked to fill in a form with your address and passport details. If you wish to speed up this check-in process, please complete your passport details on the accommodation form (nationality, passport number and expiry date). These will be forwarded to the appropriate hotel together with your company address details so all you will need to do upon arrival is sign the form.

The congress hotels and rates are as follows:

Arabella Sheraton ★★★★★

www.arabellasheraton.com/capetown

Single - R 1250 Standard Twin/Double - R 1375 Standard

Distance from venue - Attached to centre

Cullinan Hotel ★★★★★

www.southernsun.com

Single - From R 1080 Twin/Double - From R 1150

Distance from venue - Next to centre

Winchester Mansions ★★★★★

www.winchester.co.za

Single - From R 1350 Twin/Double - From R 1700

Distance from venue - (Waterfront) taxi to centre

Holiday Inn Waterfront ★★★★★

www.southernsun.com

Single - From R 935 Twin/Double - From R 1198

Distance from venue - Short walk (5 min)

Holiday Inn Cape Town ★★★★★

www.southernsun.com

Single - From R 935 Twin/Double - From R 1198

Distance from venue - Short walk (10 min)

For Bookings:

1. www.lawrights.asn.au and click on **Booking Form 2** entitled "Accommodation Tours & Transfers"
2. Use enclosed **Booking Form 2** "Accommodation, Tours and Transfers".

Excursions and Post Congress Tours

Global Conferences have arranged a number of tours in and out of Cape Town as well as two Post Congress Tours. Prices are inclusive of 14% VAT. They are as follows:

Introduction to Cape Town

Table Mountain and City Tour - 1/2 day (WTCC)

Highlights of this half day tour include; a visit up Table Mountain on the cableway where the varying flora and fauna will be explained; a tour of the Malay Quarters and the Castle of Good Hope.

You will then travel to Milnerton for a spectacular view of Table Mountain and the city from across Table Bay. Enroute back to your hotel you will visit the Cape Town Diamond Works.

Note: The cableway ticket is not included in the price of the tour as the mountain visit is weather permitting

Date: Monday 21st
Duration: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm
Cost: R242 per person

Cape Highlights Tour - Full day (WTCL)

Cape Town with its magnificent Table Mountain backdrop is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

On this tour, you will gain an insight into the history and culture of Cape Town, travelling via Camps Bay, Hout Bay and Chapman's Peak to the Good Hope Nature Reserve.

You will be able to enjoy stunning views from the highest point and then continue on to a wine estate where you will be given an introduction to South African wines.

After luncheon (not included) the tour then drives through the University of Stellenbosch before returning to Cape Town.

Date: Monday 21st
Duration: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Cost: R486 per person

Cape Point Tour - 1/2 day (WTHP)

The Cape Peninsula is one of the world's most beautiful places; a stretch of rocky mountains jutting southward into the sea, pristine beaches, sheltered bays and coves, quaint fishing harbours and a rich array of indigenous flora.

First stop is the famous Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens before travelling along the coast to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve with an optional ride on the funicular.

After luncheon (not included), the tour continues for a visit to a penguin colony. Return is via Chapman's peak, Hout Bay, with a short stop at the harbour, Sea Point and the city.

Date: Tuesday 22nd
Duration: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm
Cost: R285 per person

Cape Winelands Tour - Full day (WTCW)

This tour offers a visit to the winelands, with a stop in Paarl before continuing to Franschoek to enjoy some wine tasting at a local wine farm.

Passing through the beautiful Franschoek Valley the tour continues to an historic wine farm for more wine tasting followed by luncheon (not included) in Stellenbosch. After a tour through this historic town you will return to Cape Town.

Date: Tuesday 22nd
Duration: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Cost: R390 per person

Cape Winelands Tour - 1/2 day (WTHW)

Highlights of this half day tour include; scenic and historic drive to and wine tasting at local farms in Paarl, Stellenbosch and Franschoek.

Date: Wednesday 23rd
Duration: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm
Cost: R285 per person



Post Congress Tour 1

Classic Safari experience (W TSA 05/1S)

JOHANNESBURG TO JOHANNESBURG

Date: Thursday 24th
Cost: R2330 per person sharing
Days: From 2 days and 1 night
(This is a flexible safari with amount of nights to be specified by client)
Minimum/Maximum Participants: One / Ten
Departure: Daily
Vehicle: Luxury Microbus / Safari coach & open safari vehicle

Day 1

Experience an authentic African Safari adventure from start to finish.

You will be collected from your Johannesburg hotel and driven by a professional safari ranger. From Johannesburg, you will head east via Nelspruit, White River and Hazyview to the spectacular Mpumalanga. Arriving at the safari hotel, set in indigenous forests, you will have the chance to freshen up before your African safari begins. Enter the world famous Kruger National Park, unrivalled in its diversity of flora and fauna, and spend the afternoon game viewing in an open safari vehicle. Dinner will be at the Lodge under the stars in a traditional African Boma (weather permitting).

Protea Hotel Kruger Gate - dinner, bed and breakfast basis + 2 game viewing activity

Day 2

Early morning game viewing in an open safari vehicle in the Kruger National Park with an experienced game ranger where your ranger will endeavour to show you sightings of the 'Big Five', general game and prolific birdlife. After returning to the lodge for a sumptuous breakfast, you will be driven to Johannesburg. Departure from this wildlife haven will be via Sabie and over the scenic Long Tom Pass to Lydenburg. Continue via Dullstroom to Johannesburg arriving in the early evening (approx. 18h30).

It is recommended that clients do not book any connecting flights on the return day as travel times and stops vary depending on the interests of fellow clients.

Please note:

- * Tours of longer duration are available. For longer tours, the first and last days are identical to Day 1 & Day 2 as described above.
- * Additional days added to the itinerary will be spent game viewing and the accommodation will be on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis + 2 game viewing activities per full day.
- * On booking, please indicate the relevant number of nights required behind the tour code e.g. 05/2 for a 2 night 3 day Safari; 05/3 for a 3 night 4 day safari etc.
- * We recommend a minimum of a two night safari - however longer periods of this package would be ideal

Price:

R2330 per person sharing, single supplement R250
Extra night stay: R1360 per night

Post Congress Tour 2

Magical Garden Route Tour

PRIVATE BASIS

Date: Thursday 24th

Cost: R2330 per person sharing

Day 1

Cape Town through Winelands to Oudtshoorn.

Depart Cape Town via Sir Lowry's Pass. After travelling the plateau of expansive apple orchards in and around Grabouw, you will arrive at the charming town of Swellendam and continue through the folded sandstone mountains of the Huis River and Tradouw Passes. The true diversity of landscapes is highlighted through the ever-changing semi-desert areas of the Klein Karoo. The tour visits the towns of Barrydale and Calitzdorp to Oudtshoorn. Enjoy a hearty dinner at a superb local restaurant famous for its Ostrich fare and fine wines.

Oudtshoorn Inn or similar - dinner, bed and breakfast basis

Day 2

Oudtshoorn to Knysna

After breakfast, you will start the day with a visit to the world famous Cango Caves for a fully guided tour. Time permitting an optional tour of the Crocodile and Cheetah Park is also available. Leaving Oudtshoorn there will be a guided tour of a local Ostrich farm. Continue over the Robinson Pass to Mossel Bay. Send a postcard to friends or relatives from the famous Post Office Tree before visiting the Diaz and Maritime museums with relics of famous explorers. Scenic drive via Dolphin Point to Wilderness and on to South Africa's 'oyster capital', Knysna.

After checking into the Waterfront hotel, freshen up for a superb dinner at a local restaurant on the Knysna Waterfront.

Protea Hotel Knysna Quays or similar - dinner, bed and breakfast basis

Day 3

Knysna to Port Elizabeth - Departure

After breakfast you will have sufficient time to enjoy a boat cruise on the lagoon (not included) or a simple stroll through the village or Waterfront. The journey to Port Elizabeth commences with a short refreshment stop in the 'millionaires' playground' of Plettenberg Bay. Attractions to be visited in the Tsitsikama Forest area include the Big Tree and the Garden of Eden. Gaze in awe at the scenery as you cross the bridge over the Storms River Mouth where photographic opportunities abound. The tour leaves the Garden Route via the Groot River and the Bloukrans passes to Port Elizabeth. The day ends at your hotel or Port Elizabeth Airport.

Airfares are not included

Price: Single person: R9320

Per person sharing: R5300

Important Dates to Remember

31st October 2004

Deadline for Call for Papers

10th December 2004

Close of Early Bird Registration Rate

15th December 2004

Close of Guaranteed Special Congress
Accommodation Rates

15th December 2004

Close of Non-Penalty Period for
Accommodation Cancellation

10th January 2005

Cancellation of Registration
No longer refunded but substitutions accepted

20th February 2005

Social Functions Cancellations
No longer refunded

10th March 2005

Commencement of Late Registration Rate