



ENVISIONING 2030 AND BEYOND:

**DIVERGENT SOLUTIONS
TO GLOCAL CHALLENGES**

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TWENTY23**

**DURBAN (HOTEL
TO BE CONFIRMED)**

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Faculty of Arts and Design invites abstracts for participation in our 2023 Annual Research Conference. We invite proposals for paper presentations and creative output presentations on the theme:

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“Challenges are resolved by moving to a level higher than the challenge.”
~ Deepak Chopra

Our world is currently facing unprecedented challenges, characterised by evolving trends and complexities in culture, science, technology, environment, economics and politics. We seek abstracts that explore innovative ideas, perspectives and practices that can shape a more inclusive, sustainable and equitable future. Our aim is to bring together multidisciplinary critique and reflection from scholars (including postgraduate students) in the Humanities (arts, design, education, etc.) and to collectively contemplate and envision sustainable solutions towards a future that is driven by creativity, innovation and technology. We invite **in-person OR virtual** paper or poster presentations, panel discussions and presentations on creative outputs that delve into inter/cross/multidisciplinary perspectives on envisioning a brighter future, transcending present difficulties. We encourage submissions that propose alternative visions and solutions and challenge conventional thinking.

Abstract submissions may align with any of these sub-themes:



Sustainable Development of Societies



Environmental Responsibility and Sustainable Eco-systems



Cultural Transformations and Evolving Identities



Sustainable Innovations in Curricula



Technological Advancement for Sustained Humanity



Innovative and Sustainable Approaches to Arts and Design

Abstracts (**maximum 300 words**) should be in English and will be featured in a Book of Abstracts.

SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT HERE

Important Notices:

- Abstract submission deadline : **31 July 2023**
- Registration deadline : **15 Sept 2023**. [Register here](#).
- Registration fee payment by : **15 Nov 2023**. Payment details will be sent to all registered participants
- Registration fee : **R1500**

Conference funding application [click here](#). Applicable to DUT staff and DUT postgraduate students only.

Special hotel rates will be sent to all registered participants. Travel and accommodation at your own cost.

Certificate of participation awarded to all presenters.

Special awards:

- Best (DUT) postgraduate student presentation
- Best (DUT) staff presentation
- Best (DUT staff and postgraduate student) collaborative presentation
- Best external presentation



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We look forward to receiving your inventive contributions towards envisioning and building a brighter future.