CALL FOR PAPERS

The Business of Policing: An International Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice

Southern Business School is proud to host an International Policing Conference and encourage all members in the policing/safety in society sector, academics and working professionals alike, to contribute to the dialogue on crime and criminal justice in Africa and internationally. The conference provides a great opportunity for scholars and practitioners to network and to share their research, findings, experience or theories on whether policing agencies should be managed as a business.

Abstract Submission

We invite abstracts for full papers, post-graduate student/supervisor papers and interactive posters addressing one of the following subfields:

- Policing, Crime and Criminology
- Corrections and Law
- Traffic

Since this is the first year we will be hosting a conference of this kind, the conference organisers do not wish to be too prescriptive about the above mentioned subfields. The conference theme, The Business of Policing: An International Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice, provides opportunities for a broader perspective, and we look forward to receiving diverse abstracts that explores the main theme as it relates to one of the subfields.

Submission Criteria and Guidelines

Format: All submissions should follow the abstract guidelines provided at the end of this document and completed on the provided Abstract Submission Form. Please forward all abstracts to conference@sereni-t.co.za using the following subject line: Abstract _ Policing Conference 2017.

Review: Abstracts will be subject to a double-blind peer review process. All abstracts will be reviewed and feedback provided within 2 weeks of submission.

Dates:
- Abstract submission deadline: 31 August 2017
- Final confirmation of presenter’s participation*: 01 September 2017
- Submission of full papers: 23 October 2017

* Please note: All presenters need to complete a conference attendance registration form before 11 August 2017 to be included on the conference programme. Acceptance of an abstract does not guarantee inclusion on the programme.
Publication of Papers

An opportunity will be made available to submit full papers for possible publication in *Acta Criminologica* (accredited), *Just Africa* (non-accredited) and *POLSA* (non-accredited).

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**ABSTRACT GUIDELINES**

**Context**

All submissions should address the conference theme and chosen sub-theme. Abstracts should provide a thorough overview of your paper and follow a logical order which includes (if applicable) the following:

- Introduction or problem statement
- Theoretical framework
- Methodology or approach
- Results or major findings
- Conclusion or implications
- References

**Format**

Please use the provided *Abstract Submission Form* to ensure conformity of structure. The form structures abstracts as follows:

**Title page:**
- Title of paper,
- Sub-theme,
- Paper type,
- Opt to write a full paper for publication,
- Author(s) name,
- Author contact details, and
- Affiliated institution.

**Abstract page:**
- Title of paper centred in font type Calibri, Bold, and 24pt font.
- Sub-theme centred in font type Calibri and 18pt font.
- Body of abstract justified in font type Calibri, 12pt font, and 1.5 spacing.
- Abstract word count of at least 250 words is required.

**Submission**

Abstracts should be submitted in Microsoft Word format and contain both the title page and abstract page (as indicated above) in one single document. Please note, no scanned or PDF documents will be accepted. Please forward all abstracts to conference@serenit.co.za using the following subject line: *Abstract _ Policing Conference 2017*.

**INTERACTIVE POSTERS**

Delegates interested in presenting Interactive Posters, may submit an abstract following the guidelines above. Upon acceptance of abstract, guidelines will be shared for creating a digital poster. For more information, please contact conference@serenit.co.za.