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SAHISA / ISASA CONFERENCE 2009

- **Registration**

Conference registration will take place at the Royal Swazi Hotel on Sunday 6 September between 10h00 and 18h00.

Delegates who chose to deal directly with the various hotels are reminded that each delegate is still required to register for conference by completing the registration form. Booking at the hotel is not the same as registering for conference.

- **Opening and Closing of Conference**

The conferences officially opens at 18h00 on Sunday 6 September and closes at 09h30 on Thursday 10 September.

The official opening of conference will be 18h00 when delegates will be welcomed by Mr. Paul Channon's opening address in the Auditorium. The Opening address is followed by a talk by Peter Cobb on *Managing through Thick and Thin*.

The final conference event – the SAHISA Chairman's Breakfast – will be held between 07h00 and 09h30 on Thursday 10 September where delegates will be addressed by Patricia Glyn. Delegates are urged to make travel arrangements accordingly.

- **Map and Directions**

A [Map from Johannesburg/Pretoria to Swaziland](#) is available on the ISASA website. Directions from Johannesburg to Swaziland are attached at the end of this Bulletin.

- **Passports**

We have confirmed with the conference organiser that South African passport holders do not require a visa to enter Swaziland.

The same applies to holders of Australian and British passports. A valid passport is all that is required.

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SAHISA RESOURCE CENTRE

- **Collection of Books at the SAHISA Conference**

Mr Paul Channon has suggested that SAHISA start a resource centre for heads. The books, focusing on leadership and related issues, will be issued from the SAHISA office.

All heads will benefit from the resource centre as arrangements will be made to circulate monthly updated stock lists to all heads. Should a head from another region show interest in a particular book, Jenny Mundell will ensure that the book is couriered to the Head.

Many Heads have books that would be of interest to colleagues. It is hoped that each Head would be prepared to donate a book to the new library. A central collection point will be set up at the SAHISA conference.

Your support of this initiative would be greatly appreciated.

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ARTICLES OF INTEREST

- **A Leap in the Dark**

The Mail & Guardian of 19 August 2009 featured an article on Mr John Gilmour, a SAHISA member and founder of the LEAP Science and Maths Schools.

The article is inspirational and highlights the vision of one man who is determined to make a difference. The full article is available on the [Mail & Guardian](#) website.

- **High Value and the 5 S's of Leadership**

Everyone has an inner leader waiting to emerge. But every time you subordinate to outside influences and try to live by someone else's values, as opposed to your own inspired vision, you decrease the probability of awakening that leader.

The [Full Article](#) is available on the ISASA website.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **Website to View**

Principals Australia is the professional learning arm of the four peak school principals associations in Australia. It brings together school leaders from all sectors, systems and levels of schooling at a national and local level.

The website provides insight into leadership development; school community wellbeing; closing the gaps between learning and wellbeing outcomes; and engagement with the national education agenda.

Visit the website at www.pa.edu.au

GENERAL

- **"Get It Right"**

We try to “get it right” and communicate information that you can trust.

If we have neglected to communicate any relevant details or if you would like to contribute to the SAHISA Weekly Bulletin, please contact Jenny Mundell.

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- **Quote of the Week**

Leaders don't force people to follow – they invite them on a journey.

~ Charles S. Lauer

DIRECTIONS TO WK FROM O R TAMBO (JOHANNESBURG INTERNATIONAL) AIRPORT

Please note: all distances are approximate. These directions will be best understood in conjunction with studying a general road atlas.

1. As you leave the Airport complex, take the **R21S** described as being in the direction of **Boksburg**.
2. After about 5km, turn left on the **N12 to Witbank**.
3. The **N12** merges with the **N4** at **Witbank** (If coming from Pretoria, this is where the directions become pertinent.)
4. 130 km from Johannesburg International Airport you reach a tollgate. There is a toll fee of ZAR37. Visa and Mastercard credit cards are accepted.
5. Shortly thereafter there is a Shell Ultra City, useful for a toilet stop, refreshments, light meals and petrol.
6. 55 km beyond the tollgate (total distance now 185 km) take the turn to the right, signposted **R33 to Carolina**.
7. **Carolina** is reached after 40km (total distance now 225 km).
8. Proceed through Carolina. As you exit, follow the turn to the right signposted **R33 to Amsterdam/Oshoek**.
9. After 40km (total distance now 265 km) you reach a T junction. Turn left. This is the **N17 to Oshoek**.
10. After a further 62 km (total distance now 327 km) you reach the **Oshoek/Ngwenya** Border post.
11. On the South African side, report first to the customs desk. You will need to inform the official of the make of your vehicle, its registration number and the number of people you are travelling with. Then proceed to the passport control windows with the form you have been given at customs. Finally, hand this form in at the gate as you leave South Africa. On the Swaziland side, queue in the passport line, and then if in a non-Swazi registered vehicle, proceed in the same building to the desk where you will need to pay R50 road tax. Then present the little slip of paper from passport control and the road tax receipt as you move your vehicle out of the border post.
12. Follow the signs to **Mbabane**. There is now a good freeway all the way from the border to Mbabane and on to Manzini. After about **17km from the border**, take the **off-ramp 9** signposted **Mbangweni, Sidwashini and Dalriach**. Turn right under the bridge, following the sign to Waterford Kamhlaba. After about 100 meters you will come to a T junction, turn left (again signposted). After another 200m you will come to a further T junction, turn right (again signposted).
13. The road drops down into a small valley, passing through a poor settlement and a primary school and over some stiff speedhumps. At the bottom of the valley there is a large sign indicating that Waterford is up the hill. The road is steep and twisty. Take the 2nd entrance into the College. This is about 2,5km from the main road.
14. The total distance from Jhb International is about 350km.

Enjoy the journey!

PS: from the Ultra City to the border takes about 2 hours without a stop. Crossing the border takes about 15 minutes most days but can be longer and sometimes much longer most late afternoons, especially on Friday afternoons and on public holidays. From the border to Mbabane takes about 15 minutes. Time things so you are not arriving at dusk or in the dark.