

SAVE THE DATE

**4th SADC GROUNDWATER
CONFERENCE**

10th - 12th of November 2021

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

**THEME: Towards a Water Secure
SADC- Groundwater Systems
Thinking.**



GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE



The Southern African Community Development Groundwater Management Institute (SADC-GMI) in collaboration with its partners will host the 4th SADC groundwater Conference on 10 – 12 November 2021, under the theme “**Towards a Water Secure SADC - Groundwater Systems Thinking**”. Due to ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the conference will be held virtually. The virtual conference will be designed in manner that will ensure that delegates across the region and beyond effectively collaborate to find solutions to the region’s water related challenges. The conference organizing team is currently developing a full call for abstracts which will be shared in due course.

For the meantime we are requesting you to **SAVE THE DATE** on your calendar. More details including registration platform link, full call for abstracts, Abstract submission link and Sponsorship brochure will be shared in **July 2021**. For more information, have your ear on the ground, also keep checking the SADC-GMI website: www.sadc-gmi.org.

Possible Topics for discussion include Integrated Water Resource Management with a focus on Groundwater, Surface water - Groundwater interactions, Environmental Flow Requirements, Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems, Groundwater and WASH, Governance of Groundwater Resources, the WEF Nexus.



PANEL DISCUSSIONS AND SPECIAL SESSIONS

Partners and Stakeholders wishing to run special sessions and panel discussions under the sponsorship program are requested to submit concept notes in line with the theme of the conference by the 9th of October 2021.

Meeting Outputs

- Multi-stakeholders' Declaration
- Conference proceedings
- Side-session reports
- Press and media releases

Registration Fees and Deadlines

- Normal registration: US\$ 100.00
- Late registration:(After 25th October 2021)US\$ 150.00
- Young professionals/students
Below 35 years old Free

Enquiries

- Please send all enquiries about the conference to conference@sadc-gmi.org OR thokozani@sadc-gmi.org.

IMPORTANT DATES

The following deadlines will apply:

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| • Call for Abstracts | 5th July 2021 |
| • Close for receipt of Abstracts | 09th October 2021 |
| • Notification of Authors | 16th October 2021 |
| • First Draft of the programme | 18th October 2021 |
| • Confirmation by Authors | 25th October 2021 |
| • Publishing of Final Programme | 1st November 2021 |
| • Conference run | 10 - 12 November 2021 |

