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THEME EXPLANATION

The dwindling number of cranes interspersed across our South African skyline speaks to the reality of the poor economic growth we are experiencing in the construction industry. We have fallen down a slippery slope exacerbated by a relentless, unyielding and fast-paced business environment. This monumental shift requires a change in leadership perception. Change is not easy, but the biggest threat is a business person fixated on past triumphs and traditional thinking. **It is no longer business as usual.**

SUB THEMES

- COMPETITION AND COMPETITIVENESS
- CONTRACTS, DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND ETHICS
- EDUCATION AND TRAINING
- ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND BUSINESS MODELLING
- ENVIRONMENT, ADAPTATION AND SUSTAINABILITY
- EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY
- INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT
- INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

KEY DATES

2 JULY 2021

Submission of abstracts

7 JULY 2021 Notification of abstract acceptance **16 AUGUST** 2021 Submission of

Submission of draft paper

13 SEPTEMBER 2021

Notification of conference paper acceptance **4 OCTOBER** 2021

Submission of final paper

18 OCTOBER 2021 Programme publication

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PRIZES

Academic Paper Award

Transformation and Sustainability Paper Award

Overall Youth Presentation U/35 Award

Youth Woman Presentation Award

Overall First Time Presenter Award

Presentation and Innovation Paper Award

ABSTRACTS AND PAPERS

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Authors are invited to submit abstracts of 300 words maximum in English on or before **2 July 2021**. Abstracts will be peer-reviewed by a scientific and technical committee.

The abstract must contain the following headings:

- Purpose
- Design
- Findings based on empirical research
- Research limitations/ implications
- Practical implications
- Value to conference theme

Abstracts will be evaluated in terms of the following criteria:

- Relevance to the conference theme
- Originality of the subject matter
- Coherence, clarity and focus of abstract
- The rigour of empirical research

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