



The National Association of Conservancies of SA (NACSA) is one of the premier platforms for promoting community-based conservation. It's the grassroots movement that brings together people who want to make a difference where they have their roots - in the places they live and work.

2008 is the fifth anniversary of NACSA which last year won the Mail & Guardian "Greening the Future" Award for its role as a vehicle for associations of ordinary people working to conserve and restore the environment across the country.

On 14 and 15 June NACSA will be holding its annual conference at Sizanani in Bronkhorstspuit. Experts and ordinary people - from South Africa, Namibia and Kenya - who are making a difference will be sharing their experience and their insights.

This is an event for people who want to learn, share and network so they can take back knowledge, renewed energy and hope to their situations across the country.

Whoever you are, wherever you come from, we'd love to welcome you to this conference of people working together to meet the challenge of adapting our lifestyles and ways of thinking to what we need for sustainable living and working.

**When:** 14 and 15 June 2008

**Where:** Sizanani Conference Centre, Bronkhorstspuit, Gauteng.  
The Centre is easily accessible (an hour from O R Tambo Airport and 30 minutes east of Pretoria)

**Seeding sustainable living**  
the power of conservancies

**Note:** NACSA will hold its Annual General Meeting on 13 June at Sizanani.

### Speakers

Nine plenary and breakaway speakers have already been confirmed. They include:

- **Dr Chris Brown**, Executive Director, Namibia Nature Foundation, on conserving biodiversity and promoting socio-economic development through co-management and development planning.
- **Charles Wangenye**, Director of the Centre for Environmental Development, Kenya, on making conservation sustainable through local development initiatives.
- **Willeen Olivier**, Department of Environment and Tourism, on biodiversity stewardship and the Department's objectives for conservancies  
Willeen Olivier is sponsored by PPC Laezonia.
- **Sue Bellinger** works and networks with communities, organizations, individuals and government departments to understand – and reduce - the impacts of our everyday living, and to improve the future for us and for future generations of all species. *The Natural Step* is a sustainability framework tool she frequently employs.





- **Kim Kieser**, SOUL Foundation, on a micro-enterprise model for river and water rehabilitation and community waste management. Kim Kieser is sponsored by Water Health Systems.
- **Mariette Loefflerink**, Chief Executive of the Federation for a Sustainable Environment, on the legislative lobby for getting environmental legislation applied.

- **Carin Bosman**, CEO of Carin Bosman Sustainable Solutions, ex-Director of DWAF's Water Resource Protection and Waste Management section, on water remediation and its role in ensuring sustainable future land use.



Carin Bosman is sponsored by PPC Laezonia.

In addition, there will be a session with young learners who have won awards for their dynamic ideas on solving environmental and other problems.

### What you need to do

Book now to take advantage of the Early Bird offer. See the prices below for conference attendance and accommodation.


Just email your name, your organisation/conservancy (or private), and what days you want to book for to Mercia Komen, NACSA Operations Director, at [conference@nacsas.co.za](mailto:conference@nacsas.co.za). Mercia will send you an invoice with the banking details.

### Exhibition

Companies, organisations, conservancies and NGOs can also book exhibition space. Contact Mercia for details.

### Conference invitation and full programme

The full programme and speaker details will be available soon.

	With Accommodation		Without Accommodation	
	STANDARD RATE Payable before 1 June	EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT RATE Payable before <b>12 May</b>	STANDARD RATE Payable before 1 June	EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT RATE Payable before <b>12 May</b>
Friday (AGM) Saturday and Sunday	R1 300 Overnight Fri & Sat	<b>R1 170</b> Save R130 Overnight Fri & Sat	R 745	<b>R 670</b> Save R75
Saturday and Sunday (Bed on Sat)	R 815 Overnight on Sat	<b>R 735</b> Save R80 Overnight on Sat	R 525	<b>R 460</b> Save R65
Saturday only			R 375	<b>R 325</b> Save R50
Sunday only			R 250	<b>R 200</b> Save R50

Note: accommodation packages include all meals; day packages include lunch and teas