

**The Association for Mathematics Education  
of South Africa**



**31st Annual AMESA National Congress  
13 –17 July 2026**



**UNIVERSITY OF  
MPUMALANGA**

**University of Mpumalanga  
Mbombela Campus  
Mpumalanga Province**

**FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT AND  
REGISTRATION FORM**

You are cordially invited to the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual National Congress of the Association for Mathematics Education of South Africa (AMESA) where contributions around the theme below and other pertinent mathematics education issues will be deliberated.

## **Breaking Barriers Through Innovation: Towards Vision 2030 & Beyond**

### **VENUE**

University of Mpumalanga  
Mbombela Campus  
Cnr R40 and D725 Roads  
Mbombela

### **DATE**

13 – 17 July 2026

### **MORE ABOUT THE CONGRESS THEME**

Mathematics remains the key subject to drive innovation and development in our society. Participation and performance in the subject is still a major challenge in the country. A number of barriers in learning the subject remain unresolved. To mention a few barriers, there is a critical shortage of well-skilled mathematics teachers, and classrooms are over-crowded in many schools.

In basic education, the mathematics pass percentage in the NSC grade 12 results has never reached 70%. If the status quo is maintained, the country may not produce enough competent technicians, accountants, engineers, and scientists in different fields. The country's broader vision is that by 2030, about 90 percent of learners in grades 3, 6, and 9 must achieve 50 percent or more in the annual national assessments in literacy, mathematics, and science.

Traditional teaching methods have not assisted in improving understanding and mastery of basic mathematical skills, a requisite for problem-solving and application in real-life situations. The congress calls for sharing innovative ways of teaching and learning of Mathematics, Technical Mathematics, and Mathematical Literacy.

### **AMESA CONGRESS 2026 SUB-THEMES**

The Congress intends to:

- Dispel the myth that Mathematics is a dry subject for a selected few through innovative ways for teaching and learning
- Use ICT and all available technology to make Mathematics interesting for meaningful learning. Technology in the hands of great teachers can be truly transformational.
- Collaborate & innovate such that there is mass participation & success to achieve the NDP -2030 goals.
- Employ transformative and creative ways to break barriers.
- Break Barriers, thus building a future.

The programme includes

1. **Pre-congress workshops:** Sunday 12 July 2026: 14:00-17:00

2. **Plenary addresses** on the congress theme from the following invited speakers:

- Duano Sapta Nusantara (University of Jambi, Indonesia) (International)
- Samukelisiwe Khumalo (University of Mpumalanga, South Africa)
- Dunkan Mhakure (University of Cape Town, South Africa)
- Louise Fullard (Deputy Chief Education Specialist, Mpumalanga Department of Education, South Africa)
- Thulani Sibiya (Senior Education Specialist, Mpumalanga Department of Education, South Africa)
- Riana Roux (Professor of Mathematics from Stellenbosch University and member of SAMS).

3. **Panel discussions** There will be two panel discussions.

1. Congress Theme: Breaking Barriers Through Innovation: Towards Vision 2030 & Beyond
2. The alarming number of public schools that no longer offer Mathematics as a subject.

4. **Parallel sessions** presented by participants, in the following levels: Foundation Phase, Intermediate Phase, Senior Phase, FET Phase, and Teacher Education.

These sessions will follow the following formats:

- **Long papers** (40 minutes presentation plus 20 minutes discussion)
- **Short papers** (20 minutes presentation plus 10 minutes discussion)
- **“How I Teach” papers** (20 minutes presentation plus 10 minutes discussion)
- **Posters** (Exhibited on a 1,2 m × 1,8 m board, for the duration of the conference. Authors should be available at certain hours for discussion.)
- **Workshops** (1 or 2 hours)

5. **Activity Centre:** Hands-on practical mathematics activities for participants.

6. **Maths Market:** Commercial vendors promoting their products, books, kits, calculators, computer software etc.

7. **AMESA Curriculum Phase Committees discussions**

8. **AMESA Special Interest Group meetings**

9. **AMESA Annual General Meeting**

## OTHER FEATURES OF THE CONGRESS

Social Events

Excursions

Daily exhibitions competitions

Memorabilia

Internet facilities at designated areas

## CONTACT DETAILS

Please send all communication about *administrative* matters to:

### **Congress Secretary**

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### **The Congress website**

See the congress website for updated relevant information:

<https://www.amesa.org.za/AMESA2026/>

## THE LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC)

The LOC configuration comprises of members from various backgrounds, which include Mathematics, Mathematical Literacy, Technical Mathematics teachers and curriculum advisors, Mathematics and Mathematical Literacy Education lecturers. The list of the LOC members is given below:

Internet facilities at designated areas

Yves Semegni (Chairperson), Mphalele Makgaleng, Kgaladi Maphutha, Agnes Qhibi, Mokone Phora, Nkosinathi Nkambule, Jabulani Mongwe, Tozi Mashile, Nombuso Thobela, Bekeka Bidi, Johan Sondlane, Beauty Marule, Senzo Bhuda, Mapula Poo, Veni Mabena, Adam Nkambule, Nathi Makae, Zakhele Ndaba, David Zwane, Ernest Mashile, Tumelo Nkambule, Bongumusa Thabethe, Betty Molekoa, Rose Zwane, Elias Zodwa Billa, Rampora and George Chonzi

## THE NATIONAL ORGANISATION COMMITTEE (NOC)

The NOC is a National Council Sub-Committee involved in national Congress tasks and supports the LOC: Nkhensani Duba (Chair), Zingiswa, Jojo, Diapo Makhubela, Onicca Molokwane-Thibodi, Alwyn Olivier, Nombulelelo Mandindi, Motebang Sephuhle, Yves Semegni, Ray Duba, Mmatladi Kembo, Tozi Mashile

## PHASE COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Phase Committees	Special Interest Groups
Foundation phase	Academic writing
Intermediate phase	Problem solving
Senior phase	IKS
FET Mathematics	Primary school Teaching (PRIM TED)
FET Technical Mathematics and TVET (NC(V))	
Mathematical Literacy	
Teacher Education and development	

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



**Nkhensani Duba**

Dear AMESA members, friends of AMESA and other stakeholders

The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Congress that you have been waiting for has arrived and we once more invite you to come and be part of this great 5-day.

The theme “Breaking Barriers Through Innovation: Towards Vision 2030 & Beyond” is a beacon to 2030. We cannot afford to overlook the NDP goals, particularly those addressing challenges facing Mathematics Education.

We have packed an academic program like no other years, plenary speakers of note and maths market for you. We expect presentations of very high standard that will mostly impact the classroom this year.

“Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever”. Mahatma Gandhi. See you there!!!

Thank You!

## IMPORTANT DATES

Activity	Date
Offer to review papers	27 February 2026
Submission of presentation proposal manuscripts	3 April 2026
Notification of proposal review results	18 April 2026
Application for financial support	11 May 2026
<b>Early</b> registration at a <i>reduced fee on or before</i>	30 April 2026
<b>Normal</b> registration at <i>normal fee</i>	1 May -30 June 2026
<i>Late</i> registration at an <i>increased fee</i>	1 - 6 July 2026
Cancellation without any costs /penalty on or before	20 June 2026
Equipment requests for presenters	20 June 2026
Opening ceremony	13 July 2026 at 10:00
Closing ceremony	17 July 2026 at 12:00

## Plenary Speakers

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**Dr. Duano Sapta Nusantara, S.Pd. (International Plenary Speaker)**

Dr. Duano Sapta Nusantara, S.Pd, hails from Indonesia. He is a Lecturer at Universitas Jambi (Since 2024).

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He has served since 2018 to present as Research Assistant in Research Collaboration Team of Graduate in Mathematics Education at the Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Universitas Sriwijaya and reviewer for journal on Mathematics Education. He is a member of several editorial teams, among others editorial team for Journal of Innovation in Mathematics (non-SINTA), an Indonesian journal.

He published 59 papers in international reputable journals and National Accredited Journal, 14 papers in the proceedings of international conferences and authored 10 books. He was also granted patents on 30 teaching and learning material that includes videos. Since 2015 he conducted 24 workshops and webinars amongst others Workshop on Lesson Study for Learning Community, Webinar Indonesian Mathematics Educators Society, Data Analysis, Mathematics Modelling and Assessment in Realistic Mathematics among others.

Amongst other achievements, he was an Invited Speaker for PhD Talk at Deakin University, a public university in Australia in July 2024

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**Prof Duncan Mhakure Duncan Mhakure (PhD)** is an Associate Professor at the University of Cape Town (UCT) in South Africa in the Centre for Higher Education Development specialising in mathematics education. He has profound interests in mathematical knowledge for teaching – teacher professional development and teacher education, mathematical modelling education, quantitative literacy, numeracy, and classroom discourses for mathematics teaching in both schools and higher education.

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Associate Professor Mhakure is an international scholar who has collaborated with research partners and/or agencies in Brazil, Ghana, Malawi, Mozambique, Norway, and South Africa. In addition, in the past five years, he has been involved with the Erasmus+ postgraduate mobility students between UCT and the University of Stavanger in Norway. He has supervised many postgraduate students in mathematics education. His social responsiveness and research activities are focussed on improving the teaching and learning of mathematics in schools located in disadvantaged communities through school-based in-service programmes for mathematics teachers. Internationally, Associate Professor Mhakure is South Africa's representative in the International Mathematics Modelling Challenge (IMMC) and is a member of the SIMIODE Challenge Using Differential Equations Modelling (SCUDEM). In addition he belongs to the following professional associations: African Regional Congress of ICMI on Mathematics Education (AFRICME); Association of Mathematics Education of South Africa (AMESA); Athens Institutes for Education and Research (ATINER); International Congress on Mathematics Education (ICME); International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI); International Community of Teachers of Mathematical Modelling and Applications (ICTMA); Mathematics Education and Society (MES); Psychology of Mathematics Education (PME); and South Africa Association for Research in Mathematics, Science and Technology Education (SAARMSTE), among others.

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**Prof Samukelisiwe Khumalo** is the Dean of the Faculty of Education at the University of Mpumalanga since July 2025. Prior to that she worked as an Associate Professor and Academic Leader for Teaching and Learning in the School of Education at the University of KwaZulu-Natal where she also served in various positions at the School of Education, including positions as Academic Leader for the Bachelor of Education programme, Senior Lecturer in the Curriculum Studies Discipline, and as Academic Monitoring and Support Coordinator. She taught at several schools in South Africa and the United Kingdom before joining the University of KwaZulu-Natal.

Prof. Khumalo is a recipient of the 2024 Teaching Excellence Certificate Award from the University of KwaZulu-Natal, as well as several other awards from the School of Education of the university for excellence and service in Teaching and Learning. She was involved and participated in the Council on Higher Education (CHE) reference group charged with the responsibility for developing the Qualification Standards for Initial Teacher Education in South Africa. Currently, she is a member of the UMALUSI Qualifications Standards Committee of Council (QSC). An alumna of the HERS-SA Academy, Samukelisiwe completed the esteemed Women in Leadership Programme in 2024. She also completed a Senior Management Development Programme at Stellenbosch Business School. She has published numerous articles in both South African and international journals and contributed book chapters in several publications. Prof. Khumalo has also supervised several Master's and PhD research students to successful completion.

Prof. Khumalo's current research focuses on strategies, techniques, development, support practices, and characterizations of systems of student academic success in higher education. She is passionate about exploring the challenges and supporting rural students' experiences and success in university. She has led several research projects as a principal investigator, including one funded by the South African Council for Educators (SACE). Currently, she is a principal investigator for ongoing research projects, including a 3-year Student Academic Success project focusing on identification and supporting students who are excelling academically funded by the National Research Foundation (NRF). In May 2025, she was recognized by the Golden Key Honour Society Southern Africa as one of 300 of South Africa's most influential leaders



**Dr Louise Fullard** is a South African education specialist renowned for her innovative approach to teaching and her contributions to integrating technology in education. With over 33 years of teaching experience, she has been recognised for her commitment to transforming the educational landscape.

Currently, she serves as a Deputy Chief Education Specialist (DCES) at the Mpumalanga Department of Education's head office, responsible for e-learning in the province. She holds a doctoral degree in International and Comparative Education, specialising in international education transformation, and has been recognised as a member of the Golden Key International Honour Society.

In 2019, Fullard secured first place in the "Excellence in ICT Enhanced Technology" category at the National Teaching Awards. She was also awarded third place nationally in the Excellence in Secondary Schools category.

In 2020, she received a Global Teacher Award. She emphasises the importance of understanding and embracing the Fifth Industrial Revolution (5IR) epoch in education. With an intentional focus on AI-driven teaching and learning, she aims to equip teachers with the skills necessary to navigate a rapidly changing world.



Mr. Sibiya Thulani Whity serves as the Senior Education Specialist for Mathematics FET at Ehlanzeni District in Mpumalanga province. He holds a Bachelor of Education degree in Mathematics Education from the University of Johannesburg and is currently pursuing an Honours degree with MANCOSA, focusing on educators' readiness to adopt the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) in Maths Science Technology Academy (MSTA) schools in Mpumalanga. His professional experience includes roles as a mathematics teacher at Lomahasha Secondary School, Head of Department for Mathematics at Shinyukane Secondary School, and Deputy Principal at Sophungane Secondary, an MST Academy linked school. In 2024, Mr. Sibiya represented South Africa and Mpumalanga province in an international mathematics program in China. In 2025, he was recognized as the overall best teacher in South Africa at the National Teaching Awards.



Professor Riana Roux is a graph theorist from Stellenbosch University. She received her PhD from Stellenbosch University in Operations Research focussing on the theoretical underpinnings of facility location. Her research focusses on protection in graphs which includes domination related parameters (a model for facility location), pursuit-evasion games (chasing a robber on a graph) and how solutions to these problems relate to one another. She is also passionate about sharing mathematics with students and encouraging them to be creative in mathematics.

## PANEL DISCUSSIONS

### PANEL 1



**Chair: Nkhensani Duba**

**Title:** The alarming number of public schools that no longer offer Mathematics as a subject.

Over 460 public schools in South Africa have stopped offering Mathematics in the Further Education and Training (FET) phase (Grades 10–12)

Panellists: Panellists representing DBE, SAMF, SAMS, NGO's, SPONSORS, AMESA and other Partners of AMESA

### PANEL 2



**Chair: Prof Zingiswa Jojo**

**Title:** Theme of the 2026 Congress

Breaking Barriers Through Innovation: Towards Vision 2030 & Beyond

Panellists : Plenary Speakers : Dr. Duano Sapta Nusantara, Prof Duncan Mhakure, Prof Samukelisiwe Khumalo, Dr Louise Fullard, Prof Riana Roux and Mr. Sibiya Thulani

## Mpumalanga Province

Mpumalanga province is located in the North-Eastern region of South Africa. Mpumalanga shares borders with two countries, namely, Mozambique on the eastern border and the Kingdom of eSwatini on the South Eastern part. Inside the RSA, Mpumalanga shares borders with Gauteng, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal and Limpopo province.

The capital city of Mpumalanga is Mbombela, a fast-growing city in the RSA. The renowned coal producing EMALAHLENI, is also a city in Mpumalanga. Mpumalanga has 4 districts: Bohlabela, Ehlanzeni, Gert Sibande, and Nkangala. The weather in Mpumalanga is hot to very hot in summer, especially in the Lowveld regions. It is mild in winter, but can become very cold in the Highveld areas. The beautiful province is a summer rainfall area. Mpumalanga is blessed with the 4 features of South African tourist attraction, viz, scenic beauty, climate, cultural attractions and wildlife.

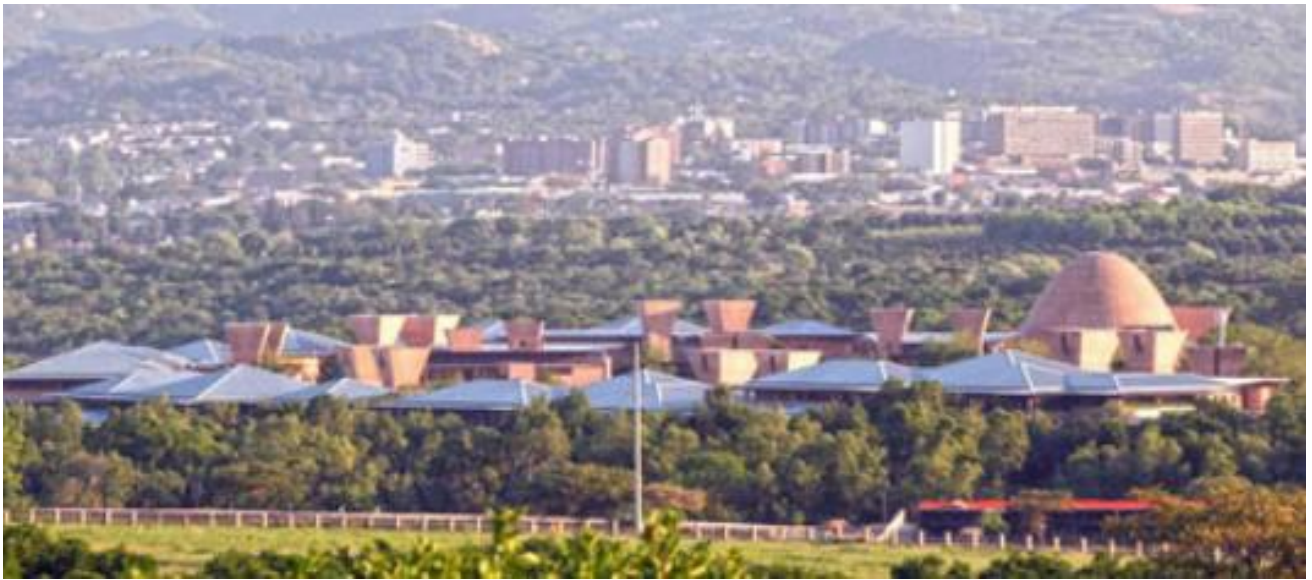
Places of attraction include the three rondavels, waterfalls, God's Window, Blyde River Canyon, Hiking Trails, Kruger National Park, Sudwala Caves, etc.

## Mbombela Municipality

Mbombela Local Municipality is situated in the Mpumalanga province and forms part of the Ehlanzeni district. The Category B municipality is one of the four municipalities in the district, making up almost a third of its geographical area. Mbombela was formed in December 2000 by the amalgamation of Mbombela and Umjindi Local municipality. Mbombela is the capital city of Mpumalanga characterised by rapid growth and development. The name, Mbombela, is a Siswati name for "a lot of people together in a small space". The population of Mbombela Municipality is over 15% of the population of Mpumalanga. The city is home to the Mpumalanga's provincial government complex.

The city serves as a key gateway to the Kruger national park, it serves as a hub for tourism, agriculture and commerce. The economic hub of the city comprises the central business district, industrial area, and a range of other economic, health and social services. The city offers two big shopping malls.

The Mpumalanga government complex:



## The Congress venue

The University of Mpumalanga is a growing African University. Central to its academic excellence is creating opportunities. The University is hosting the AMESA congress for the first time.

The main campus, Mbombela campus, is found along Cnr R40 and D725 roads in Mbombela municipality, Ehlanzeni district. The Siyabuswa campus is located in Bheki Mfundo Drive, Siyabuswa in Nkangala district.



## REGISTRATION FEE

Early Registration:	<b>R2 500,00: on or before 30 April 2026</b>
Normal Registration:	<b>R2 800,00: 01 May to 30 June 2026</b>
Late Registration:	<b>R3 000,00: 01 July to 6 July 2026 @ 11:00</b>
Normal registration Virtual:	<b>R1 200,00: by 31 May 2026</b>
Late Registration Virtual:	<b>R1 500,00: 01 June till 30 June 2026</b>

### Please note:

The last date for LATE registration is **06 July 2026 @ 11:00**. No registrations will be accepted after this date and time!

### Link to registration

Please open the link below and complete the registration form. Keep the copy of the form for verification if required. Ensure that all the information submitted is accurate.

**The Registration Link - <https://www.amesa.co.za/#Registration-Frm>**

See below for details on payment:

### Payment of registration and other fees

All Congress payments must be paid directly into the Congress bank account. The methods of payments are either an EFT or a cash deposit paid at the bank into the Congress account.

Congress bank account details are as follows:

**Bank: ABSA**

**Branch Code: 632005**

**Account name: AMESA Congress**

**Account Number: 9271293382**

**No credit card payments will be accepted at the conference venue. Pay before closing date.**

Please send a copy of Proof of Payment (POP) to the Congress Secretary at email address: [congress2026@amesa.org.za](mailto:congress2026@amesa.org.za)  
Also copy [Nombulelo.Mandindi@wits.ac.za](mailto:Nombulelo.Mandindi@wits.ac.za)

Delegates are also advised to bring a copy of POP when coming to register on the afternoon of 12 July 2026 or early in the morning of 13 July 2026.

### AMESA Membership

You are reminded that the AMESA National Congress is an official AMESA activity. Thus, it is for fully paid-up AMESA members only. If you have not renewed your membership for 2026 or are a non-member, kindly access the electronic version of the membership form using the link below or fill in the membership form on **page 17**

All details are shown on the form. It is a fillable form. Please type in all your details accurately. Once completed, please email the form to [membership@amesa.org.za](mailto:membership@amesa.org.za)

**Your proof of membership fee payment must be submitted separately as it goes into the AMESA account (and not the Congress account). Details of the account number are in the membership form**

## Meals

1. The tea, lunches, and the Welcome Dinner (Monday evening) are included in the registration fee. Please indicate your dietary requirements on the Registration Form.

## Transport

- When arriving by plane, **please make your own** transport arrangements. There are several taxis and e-taxis available.
- When arriving by bus, you can drop at the [Mbombela Bus station](#) and request an e-taxi.
- If you are driving, you may use the google maps for directions to your accommodation as well as the university campus, the congress venue.
- Transport will be organised for Plenary Speakers only.

## Equipment for Presenters

- For computer workshops or presentations, presenters must supply any software to be pre-installed by **20 June 2026**.
- For presentations and workshops, presenters must please email their audio-visual requirements to the Academic Coordinator and Deputy Congress Director by **20 June 2026** at [mphahlele@amesa.org.za](mailto:mphahlele@amesa.org.za) and [agnes@amesa.org.za](mailto:agnes@amesa.org.za)
- Bring your own connection cables for presentation in case you use your personal laptop.

## Congress Memorabilia

Congress memorabilia will be available. We have acquired the services of an independent vendor, and the Mpumalanga region Executive Committee is responsible. Purchases will be co-ordinated by the region between the delegate and the vendor. The region will ensure that the delegates receive their memorabilia during registration provided it was ordered on time. Memorabilia are therefore ordered and purchased using the following banking details:

## Contact person

Name: Mr MABENA SV  
Cell: 0826832196

## Banking details

Banking : ABSA  
Account Name: AMESA Mpumalanga  
Account Number : 9199852040  
Type of Account : Current Account  
Reference: Your Name, Surname and Province  
Please email orders and proof of payment to this email address: [venimabena@yahoo.com](mailto:venimabena@yahoo.com)

## Prices

ITEMS	Unit Price
1 Short sleeve t-shirt	R380
2 Long sleeve t-shirt	R400
3 Jacket	R720
4 Beanie	R120
5 Scarf	R160
6 Caps	100
7 Bucket hat	R150

## Cancellation Policy

Once your registration form has been submitted and processed, a cancellation fee of 20% of all costs will be charged for cancellations up to **20 June 2026**. **After 20 June 2026 no refunds** will be made for *any* cancellation of complete or partial costs.

## Application for Financial Support

A limited amount of funding is available to assist those participants who would otherwise be unable to attend the Congress. The application form must be submitted by 11 April 2026.

## Accommodation Facilities

Congress 2026 does not provide accommodation. Attendees are responsible for booking their own lodges and hotels. Some are listed below for your convenience. **Please Note: The Congress LOC has NO arrangements with these accommodations.** The UMP student residence is NOT available. Make a booking on time.

	Hotel / Lodge	Contact	Rate / Night	Rooms	Distance
1	Akani Guest House	Phone: 061 536 2595 Email: sizilendlovu9@gmail.com	R800 pp	10	±17 km
2	Anew	Phone: 0137507000	R1470 (B & B)	18	±12 km
3	Bundu Lodge	Phone: 0137584023 / 0828989533, Email: reception@ebundu.co.za /	R1180 (1 person) R1285 (2 persons) R1605 (3 persons)	105	±9 km
4	Busa House Caravan Park & Guest House	Phone: 0645441301, Email: Busahouse82@gmail.com	R850 (2 sleeper unit) R900 (3 sleeper unit) R1000 (4 sleeper unit) R850 (5 sleeper unit)	1	±18 km
5	Casa Palmeira Guesthouse	Phone: 013 170 5517 Email: casapalmeiraguesthouse@gmail.com	R550 (1 person) R700 (3 persons)	16	±6 km
6	Cascades Lodge	Phone: 0137411409 / 0724526947	R1100 (sharing)	15	±4 km
7	CBD Guesthouse Nelspruit	Phone: 0713887061 Cbdguest1@gmail.com	R750	20	±5 km
8	Chill Pepper Boutique Hotel	Phone: 0137570370 Emails: reservations@chillpepperhotel.co.za	Standard: R1350 Includes Breakfast: R1450 Includes Breakfast & Dinner: R1810	73	±3 km
9	Christie's 32 Russel	Phone: 0137553169	R1520 (B&B)	85	±5 km
10	Coyotes Hotel & Conference Centre	Phone: 0137553333 / 0736736011 Address: reservation@coyoteshotel.co.za	R800 (sharing)	44	±5 km
11	Destiny Lodge White River	Phone: 013 751 6600 / 0834676400	R1 050	32	±5 km
12	Emaweni Country Lodge	Phone: 0828772572 or 0615373857	R600 (sharing)	25	±20 km
13	Execustay	Phone: 0794131997, info@execustay.co.za	R1850 (B&B)	13	±4 km
14	Hotel 247	Phone: 0137511100/ 0837035382, Email: reservations@hotel247.co.za	R1880 (B&B-twin room) R1450 (double bed)	19	±5 km
15	Hotel 247 @ Whiteriver	Phone: 087 291 0030	R1450 (per person incl. breakfast)	52	±18 km
16	Karula Hotel	Phone: 0137512277 / 0787010150 Email: email@karulahotel.co.za	R725 (single) R500 pp sharing	35	±5 km
17	Kruger Guest House Whiteriver	Phone: 076 444 1060 / 0827895934	R800 per night	8	±18 km
18	Lavender Guest House	Phone: 0823299925	R750 (per person incl. breakfast)	5	±18 km
19	Mecure Hotel	Phone: 0137414290	R2560 (1 double & 2 single) R2560 (1 double) R2560 (2 single beds)	14	±4 km
20	Naldorado Executive Villa	Phone: 073 907 7246, Email: naldoradovilla@gmail.com	R650 (1 person) R736.29 (3 persons) R1300 (4 persons) R1600 (5 persons)	300	±9 km
21	Ndalo Lodge	Phone: 013 010 4012 / 0720956280 Email: mbombela@ndalolodge.co.za	R1550 (4 sleeper chalet) R1200 (2 sleeper chalet) R1750 (6 sleeper chalet) R1150 (standard lodge room)	4	±9 km
22	Nelspruit Lodge	Phone: 0137411616	R980 (2 sleepers) R1280 (3 sleepers) R1400 (5 sleepers) R1400 (5 sleepers) R980 (double bed)	13	±4 km
23	Nita's Air BnB	Phone: 0832947193 , Email: nitasbnb@gmail.com	R850 (sharing) R550 pp (4 sleep chalet)	3	±7 km
24	Nomanini Guesthouse	Phone: 013 741 363 / 071985082 / 0673144788 Email: niniguesthouse@gmail.com	R850 (sharing)	60	±5 km
25	Road Lodge Mbombela	Phone: 0137411805	R880	49	±2 km
26	Southern Sun	Phone: 0137573000 Email: Mbombela.reservations@southensun.com	R1845 (single)	61	±2 km
27	StayEasy Mbombela	Phone: 0137570000	Single: R1680 (113)	58	±4 km
28	Sun 1 Hotels	Phone: 0137414490 Email: sun1.nelspruit@southensun.com	R833.25 (1 person) R736.29 (3 persons)	60	
29	Telestai Guest House	Phone: 066 235 7275	R900 (single) R1100 (sharing)	9	±18 km
30	Tfokomala Hotel (UMP Hotel)	Phone: 013 002 0400, Emails: amanda.matomela@ump.ac.za / reservations@tfokomala.co.za	Standard Room: R1270 B&B: R1485 DBB: R1810 Sharing Room (2pp): R1420	16	0 km (On Campus)
31	The Capital	Phone: 0138139000	R1820 (sharing B&B)	100	±4 km

32	The Cycad Lodge	Phone: 0137414979 0824687967 Email: reservations@cycadlodge.com	R1100 (sharing)	20	±4 km
33	The Winkler	Phone: 0137507300	R2445,00 (B & B)	60	±22 km
34	Town Lodge Mbombela	Phone: 0137411444	R1245 (B&B)	102	±1 km
34	ZT MATS Projects	Phone: 0723784521, Email selbymatsane@gmail.com	R500 (pp sharing)	35	±5 km

### Evening Functions and Excursions

1. Evening Functions		
Date and day	Type of Function	Cost per person
13 July 2026	Welcome Dinner	Free (Included in Registration fee)
14 July 2026	Cultural Dinner	R500
16 July 2026	Gala Dinner	R650
2. Excursions		
Name of Excursion	Distance and location from the University	Tour price per person
Kruger National Park	70 km	R370
Sudwala caves, Sudwala Dinosaur Park & Mbombela stadium	40 km	R440
Drie Rondavels & Bourke's Luck Potholes	138 km	R400
Graskop Gorge Lift (activities not included), God's window & Mac mac falls	96 km	R400

### PLEASE NOTE: EXCURSIONS (Wednesday afternoon, 15 July 2026)

- Participants may choose one of these excursions.
- The quoted tour price only includes transport and entry fees to places of visits.
- The bus for each tour will depart from UMP at **14:00**.
- No food or beverages will be provided during any of the tours.
- All participants will have to sign an indemnity form.
- Bookings will be confirmed on a first-come-first-served basis.
- We reserve the right to cancel an excursion if too few bookings are made.
- Prices are subject to change.
- Deadline for booking excursions is: **26 June 2026**

### ACADEMIC PROGRAMME/CALL FOR PAPERS

Please note that the call for papers will be closing on **3 April 2026**. The papers will be rigorously reviewed. Subsequently, comprehensive feedback will be given to authors/presenters by 18 May 2026. We trust that our academic programme will be of high academic significance.

### MATHS MARKET

Publishers, entrepreneurs, and NGOs are invited to present and promote their commercial products in a special session in the programme called a *Maths Market* presentation. Research about such products may be presented as an academic paper which will be reviewed, but commercial products should not be directly promoted in academic sessions. *Maths Market* presentations are not reviewed and not published in the Congress Proceedings. Please contact the Secretariat for more details: [congress2026@amesa.org.za](mailto:congress2026@amesa.org.za) or alternatively contact the President: [president@amesa.org.za](mailto:president@amesa.org.za)

### WEATHER IN JULY

Mbombela is cold in July. Ensure that you dress warmly. The average daily temperature ranges from 8°C to 21°C.



## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

### Sunday 12 July

10:00 – 20:00 Registration at Great hall

14:00 – Pre-congress workshops start

### Monday 13 July

08:00 – 10:00 Registration at University of Mpumalanga **Great Hall** (Tea/Coffee)

10:00 – Opening ceremony (Multipurpose Auditorium, University of Mpumalanga)

18:30 – **Welcome dinner** (Multipurpose Auditorium)

### Tuesday 14 July

08:30 – Congress day starts

18:30 – **Cultural evening** (Multipurpose Auditorium)

### Wednesday 15 July

08:30 – Congress day starts

13:00 – 18:30 **Excursions** (packed lunch)

### Thursday 16 July

08:30 – Congress day starts

19:00 – **Gala dinner** (Multipurpose Auditorium)

### Friday 17 July

08:30 – Congress day starts

11:30 – Closing Ceremony (Multipurpose Auditorium)

12:30 – Lunch and departure



## EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

In case of an emergency Hospitals, Clinics, Ambulance and Crime Stop (24-hour services)

Rob Ferreira Hospital	013 741 6100
Kiaat Hospital Mbombela	013 590 9150
Medi-Clinic Nelpruit	086 117 4448
Lowveld Private Hospital	013 752 7578
ER24 Emergency contact number:	084 124
EMER-G-MED Nelspruit	086 100 7911
HI-TECH Medical service:	013 752 4470
Crime Stop (toll free)	086 001 0111



## AMESA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

Preferably rather complete the electronic form available at <https://www.amesa.org.za>

Complete in full and in **CAPITAL LETTERS**:

1. **Membership no** (if renewal): \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Region (province)**: \_\_\_\_\_ **Branch**: \_\_\_\_\_ (if known)
3. **Membership type**:  Individual  Institutional  Associate (*full-time, pre-service student*)
4. **Field of interest**:  Primary  Secondary  Tertiary
5. For Individual and Associate (student) members only:  
**Surname**: \_\_\_\_\_ **First name**: \_\_\_\_\_ **Title**: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal/Residential address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell/tel no: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of your institution: \_\_\_\_\_

6. **For Associate (student) members only**: I hereby declare that I am a *full-time, pre-service student* at the following institution: \_\_\_\_\_ *Please include proof of registration.*

7. For Institutional members only:

**Designation** of person to whom correspondence should be addressed

(e.g. The HOD Mathematics / Librarian, ...): \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of institution**: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell/tel no: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Payment:

**Subscription rates for 2026**: South Africa: Individual: R200; Institutional: R600; Associate (student): R75

Other African countries, Individual: ZAR260; Non-African countries: USD100

You may pre-pay your subscription at the current rate for up to three years.

Life membership (for SA individual members only): R4 000

**Method of payment**: Choose *one* of the following methods of payment (mark with an X) and complete:

I enclose a postal order/cash/cheque for R \_\_\_\_\_ payable to AMESA.

**Internet payment (EFT) or bank deposit** for the amount of R \_\_\_\_\_

### Bank details are as follows:

Bank name: ABSA Account name: AMESA

Branch code: 632 005 Account no: 1640 146601


Account type: Current Reference: **Your name and/or membership number**

Please enter your name or membership number in the *reference section* of the transaction. It is *essential* that you fax or e-mail us a copy of the deposit slip (proof of payment) to enable us to record your membership. **The onus is on you to ensure that we receive the relevant information.**

*If you are paying by cash or cheque, post it with this completed form to: AMESA Membership, P.O. Box 54, WITS, 2050.*

*If you are paying by EFT or bank deposit, e-mail or fax this completed form, and include your proof of payment.*

*Enquiries: Tel: 011 484 8917 Fax: 086 402 3591 E-mail: [membership@amesa.org.za](mailto:membership@amesa.org.za) Valid for 2026*

	<p><b>Deputy Congress Director</b>          Nkosinathi Nkambule          Cell: 0824077713          Email: <a href="mailto:nkosinathi@amesa.org.za">nkosinathi@amesa.org.za</a></p>
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**Application for financial support: AMESA Congress 2026**

**DEADLINE: 11 April 2026**

I, ....., hereby apply for financial support to attend the AMESA Congress 2026.

<b>Contact Details:</b>			
Name & Surname:			
Institution / Organisation:			
Postal address:			
City/Town:		Postal Code:	
Telephone No. (Home):		Work:	
Cell no:		E-mail:	

**Complete 1, 2 & 3 below and take note of 4:**

1. I am an AMESA member: \_\_\_\_\_, Membership number: .....
2. AMESA Region/Province .....Branch: .....
3. I am able to contribute R ..... of the projected R ..... costs for my congress attendance.
4. I undertake to write an article / report on AMESA Congress 2026 which may be published in the *AMESA News*.

**Signature:** ..... **Date:** .....

**Note:**

- A typed ½ to 1 page motivation, as well as a detailed budget must accompany this application. The application will not be considered without a detailed budget.
- Preference for funding will be given to paid-up AMESA members who will be participating in the congress programme.



## HOW TO GET TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MPUMALANGA

**By air:** Flights between OR Tambo International and Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport:

SA Airlink	Flysafair
Sunday 12 July: 07:00 – 8h00; 12:00 – 13:00; 15:00 – 16:00	Sunday 12 July: 09:00 – 10h00; 13:00 – 14:00
Friday 17 July: 07:00 – 8h00; 15:00 – 16:00	Friday 17 July: 12:00 – 13h00

**By bus:** See the following websites:

<http://www.intercape.co.za>

<http://www.bigskyintercity.co.za>

<http://citilinerplus.co.za>

Etrago bus services: <http://www.justgo.co.za>

<https://www.intercity.co.za>

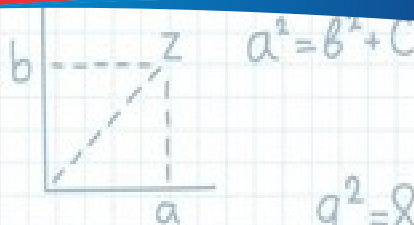
City to city: [reservations.citytocity@prasa.com](mailto:reservations.citytocity@prasa.com)

**By car:** From Gauteng enter Mbombela using N4

**GPS:** Latitude: -25.43622, Longitude: 30.98204

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + ab + b^2$$

$$y^2 = \frac{\sqrt{y}}{x+2}$$



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2$$

$$(1+x)^2$$

$$x+y$$

$$E = mc^2$$



$$x = \sqrt{a}$$

$$g^2 = 81$$

$$1+1=2$$

$$x + \Delta x$$

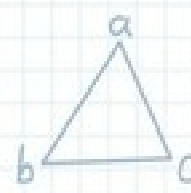
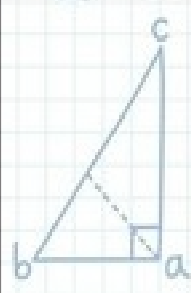
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$$xy = ab^2$$

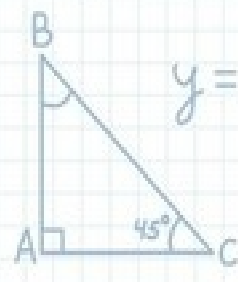
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$$\sqrt{25} = 5$$



$$\pi = 3.14$$

$$\sqrt{16}$$



$$y = \frac{1}{x}$$



ABC

$$\frac{5x-2x}{12}$$



$$\sqrt{x}$$

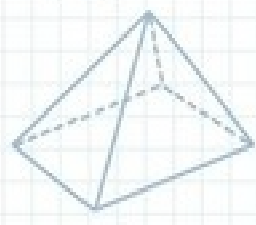
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$$\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

$$(x+y)$$

$$x-y$$

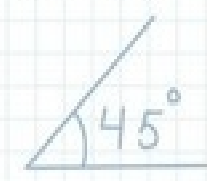
$$\sin^2 y + \cos^2 y = 1$$



$$y^2$$

$$AB = \sqrt{AB^2 + AB^2}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{48}}$$



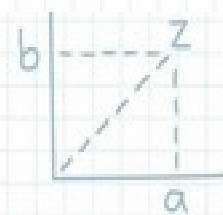
$$(y+a+b) \quad A+B$$

$$A^2 + B^2 = C^2$$

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$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + ab + b^2$$

$$y^2 = \frac{\sqrt{y}}{x+2}$$



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2$$

$$(1+x)^2$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$x+y$$

$$E = mc^2$$



$$x = \sqrt{a}$$

$$g^2 = 81$$

$$1+1=2$$

$$x + \Delta x$$

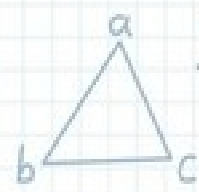
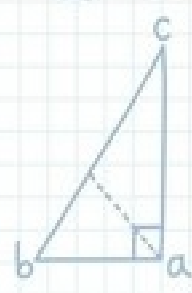
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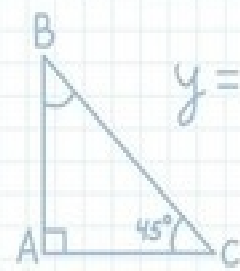
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$$y = \frac{1}{x}$$



ABC

$$\frac{5x-2x}{12}$$



$$\sqrt{x}$$

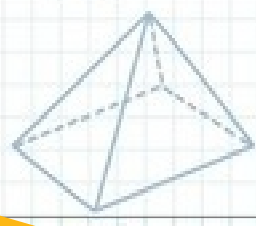
$$\sqrt{b^2}$$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

$$(x+y)$$

$$x-y$$

$$\sin^2$$



$$y^2$$

$$AB = \sqrt{AB^2 + AB^2}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{48}}$$



$$(y+a+b) \quad A+B$$