



2026 HGS-GESGB Africa Conference

Unlocking Africa's Future:
Sustainable Energy Exploration

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GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION:

Submit your abstract for consideration as either an oral presentation or poster, by sending it, as an email attachment, to AfricaConference2026_Abstracts@hgs.org.

Submissions should be sent as soon as possible and no later than June 30, 2026.

Assessment of the abstracts will be based upon the quality of the abstracts and the relevance to the suggested topics as listed below:

- Active Exploration Areas
- Development and Commercialization of Gas
- Environmental Concerns
- Goals for Energy Transformation
- Solutions for Reducing Carbon Emissions
- Research in Academia and Technology
- Business and Industry Topics

Abstracts should be:

- Length should be a maximum of four 8 1/2" x 11" pages, including diagrams in color or black and white; References and a brief Author Bio. Please use Arial font, size 10, left justification alignment, and single spacing.
- Submit as MS Word 2016/2013/2010 documents with graphics embedded.
- Each file submitted should include the principal author's surname in the file name.
- Include contact information (email address) for the principal author in the abstract.
- Indicate the speaker with an asterisk (*) after the name in the author list.

The principal author of submitted abstracts will be notified of the committee's decision no later than July 15, 2026 along with an invitation to submit an extended abstract.



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ACCEPTED SUBMISSIONS:

SHORT ABSTRACTS: (due by June 30)

- A formatting template will be provided to authors of all accepted submissions to assist in
- preparing of final abstracts.
- Abstracts will be compiled and distributed at the meeting in the proceedings volume.
- Authors are solely responsible for the content of the material submitted and will be asked to
- release HGS, GESGB and the sponsors from any consequence of distribution of the material.
- Accepted abstracts may be posted and/or archived on the HGS web site.

EXTENDED ABSTRACTS: (due by September 18)

Authors of accepted oral and posters are also encouraged to submit an extended abstract that may include references, appendices, figures and maps and will be eligible for higher marks within the awards system. Selected extended abstracts will be published in a conference-themed volume of the HGS Bulletin

- Extended Abstracts may be any length and can include B&W or color graphics.
- Include contact information for the author(s) in the abstract (email and/or mailing address).
- Page size should be 8 1/2"x11". A formatting template will be provided to authors of all accepted
- submissions to assist in preparing extended abstracts.
- Graphics can be text figures, page-sized or oversize and may be in color.
- All or part of your PowerPoint presentation can be included.
- Oversize maps or figures from your poster could also be used.

REGISTRATION:

The principal author (Speaker) of each accepted submission for oral presentations and posters will receive a registration discount of 50% to the conference.

AWARDS:

The HGS will be recognising the best technical contributions with its prestigious awards; made by a respected panel of industry judges. The presentation ceremony will take place at the conference close. Awards will be made for **Best Student Poster | Best Professional Poster | Best Oral Paper**

Importantly authors should note that 30% of the marks from the judges will be allocated for the abstract. Extended abstracts are encouraged and will be eligible for higher marks within the awards system.