

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: SASA CONFERENCE ON THE ROLE OF ARCHIVES AND RECORDS IN THE ERA OF MISINFORMATION, ESAT LONDON, EASTERN CAPE 3 – 5 JULY 2018

The South African Society of Archivists is going to host its annual conference on the theme “Archives and Records in the era of misinformation” on 3-5 July 2018 in Eastern Cape Province (East London).

The proliferation of social media and media divergence has seen publication of fake news, leaking of information and other challenges. How do we rely on archives and records as source of information in this era of misinformation? Can we still talk of one source of truth? How do we ensure archives and records’ accuracy and authenticity in such circumstances? How can we evaluate and assess sources of information using archives and records? Does the proliferation of technology herald new opportunities to archives and records management?

Papers on topics that address the theme of the conference and the following areas will be considered for inclusion in the conference programme. Accepted papers will be considered for publication in the *Journal of South African Society of Archivists*.

Papers covering the following themes relating to national archival and records system will be considered:

- Policies and legislation addressing misinformation
- Managing and preserving social media records
- Information governance
- Digital records forensics
- Protection of personal data
- Access to archives and records in the digital age
- Education and training
- Traceability of data
- Trust in e-government and e-governance
- Ethics

Practice-based papers are also encouraged.

Important Dates:

Submission of abstracts: 8 December 2017

Notification of acceptance of abstracts: 12 January 2018

Paper submission: 30 March 2018.

Notification of acceptance: 31 May 2018.

Camera-ready copy: 15 June 2018

Abstracts of less than 300 words should be submitted to editor@saarchivist.co.za