



10TH SULPHUR AND SULPHURIC ACID CONFERENCE | 2027

10 MAY 2027 - WORKSHOP |
11-12 MAY 2027 - CONFERENCE
13 MAY 2027 - TECHNICAL VISIT

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Sulphuric acid is used in nearly every commercial process around the globe and for this reason is known as the king of chemicals.

Southern Africa's resources are in high demand from uranium, copper and cobalt to rare earths, manganese and lithium. Processing all of these requires sulphuric acid. Sulphuric acid production and consumption will both increase in the region over the next few years.

WHAT WILL BE DISCUSSED?

The recent closure of the Strait of Hormuz has both highlighted the frailty of international trade routes and the importance of sulphur and sulphuric acid to global commerce.

The southern African region has been one of the markets that has remained very active during this period, paying the highest prices for sulphur imports, largely to keep the buoyant central African copper boom going.

New trade routes have been created to ensure sulphur flows into the region remain consistent. Will trade flows return to pre war patterns or will risk aversion and supply diversity rule the new order?

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THESE ISSUES AND DYNAMICS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE CONFERENCE.

Mining companies in Southern Africa have been looking to expand mining activities for some years with growth in copper, uranium, rare earths and battery chemicals set to accelerate over the remains of this decade as new projects get announced and commissioned. Nearly every country in the region will experience growth in sulphuric acid supply and demand as a result.

Orebodies are changing and the emergence of more and more smelters and roasters is changing the sulphuric acid landscape. More tons will need to move around the region.





THESE PROJECTS AND DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE CONFERENCE.

Although sulphuric acid has been produced via the contact process for nearly 200 years there are still technology improvements, environmental considerations, catalyst developments and new technologies being introduced all the time.

As cost containment, productivity, metal recoveries and waste management become more relevant chemists and engineers are looking at improving their processes, extraction methods, acid usage and efficiencies. Their technical papers will be presented.

COME AND HEAR THESE GUYS PRESENT THEIR CREATIVE SOLUTIONS AT THE CONFERENCE

People from all over the world are coming to present their views on the complexities, intrigue and sheer magnitude of the sulphuric acid markets and applications. As well as how their ideas, products and innovations can help improve plant operations, improve efficiencies and reduce emissions.

OBJECTIVES

Industry experts will be at the conference
Can you really afford to miss this?
Discuss common issues with other producers/users
Meet industry experts

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The Conference will be of value to:
Metallurgical and chemical engineers working in the minerals and metals processing and chemical industries
Metallurgical/chemical/plant management
Project managers
Research and development personnel
Academics and students
Technology providers and engineering firms
Equipment and system providers
Relevant legislators
Transportation

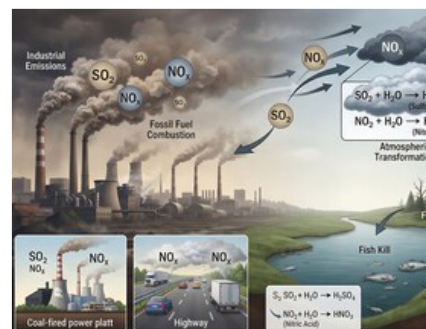
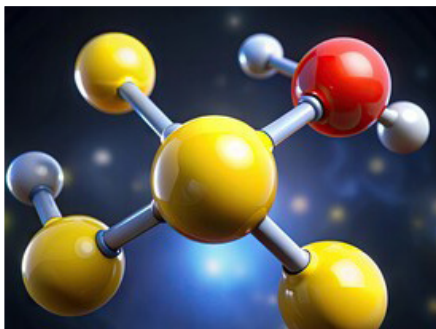
CALL FOR PAPERS Prospective authors are invited to submit titles of their paper, extended abstracts or presentations of not more than 500 words, in English. The abstracts should be submitted to the abstract submission portal below:

SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT

Acceptance of papers for publication in the SAIMM Journal will be subject to peer review by the Conference Committee and SAIMM Publications Committee post-conference.

KEY DATES

18 January 2027 Submission of abstracts
22 February 2027 Submission of papers or extended abstracts



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