



IMPC 2026

XXXII INTERNATIONAL MINERAL PROCESSING CONGRESS
18 - 22 OCTOBER 2026 CAPE TOWN SOUTH AFRICA

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Empowering a future-fit mineral processing industry

We would like to invite you to attend the
XXXII International Mineral Processing Congress
in Cape Town, South Africa from **18 - 22 October 2026**

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THE SAIMM

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Mining is of great importance to Africa in general, and particularly to Southern Africa. Africa accounts for a major portion of the world's mineral reserves and more than half of gold, platinum group metals, cobalt and diamonds. Southern Africa produces over two-thirds of Africa's mineral exports by value.

CAPE TOWN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE

IMPC 2026 will be hosted at the Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC). Since the inception of the CTICC in 2003, Cape Town has been proudly the number one destination for conferences in Africa, according to the latest International Congress and Convention Association (ICCA) statistics.

Cape Town, the "Mother City", is the oldest city in South Africa and has a cultural heritage spanning more than 300 years. Cape Town is a modern, cosmopolitan city and is often rated as one of the premier world holiday destinations. The city has a large range of hotels & guest houses and modern transport infrastructure. The city has numerous activities & attractions, including Table Mountain, Robben Island, Cape Point, the Castle, V&A Waterfront, world class beaches, wine farms, nature reserves, scenic drives, hiking, whale watching, shark cage diving and fine dining.



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CAPE TOWN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION SQUARE
1 LOWER LONG STREET
CAPE TOWN 8001



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IMPC 2026 is expected to gather over 1,000 professionals and academics from the mining industry representing around 50 countries. Leading universities specializing in mineral processing, all major mining companies and global providers of services and technologies will attend the congress. The technical sessions will facilitate knowledge exchange and transfer of the most recent innovations in the area of mineral processing.

IMPC CONGRESS HISTORY

The International Mineral Processing Congress has been in existence for more than sixty years. The very first congress was held in September 1952 in London. Subsequently, there have been 31 congresses in 17 different countries. The IMPC has been a major driving force for the promotion of scientific and technical knowledge. It is the most prestigious event in the field of mineral processing in the world today. The congress has been truly international with delegates from all parts of the world deliberating on issues facing the mining and minerals processing industry.

IMPC 2026 SYMBOLISM

The theme of this conference is inspired by the strength and resilience of the African rhinoceros to empower and adapt to future trends and challenges in the mineral processing industry. One of these was the challenge that COVID-19 brought in that the IMPC 2020 Congress in Cape Town could not run as a face-to-face event. For IMPC 2020, we chose the African rhinoceros for our symbolism as a reflection of the resilience of the mineral processing industry. In 2026, we have elected to retain the symbol of resilience, but now the rhinoceros also carries a shadow that reflects the industry's need to embrace the tools to make it future fit, including those for digital twinning. The rhinoceros is inspired by the golden Mapungubwe Rhinoceros which celebrates the history of mining in the southern African region and represents the mining industry's goal to enhance society's well-being.



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CALL FOR PAPERS

Authors are invited to submit abstracts in the general area of mineral and metallurgical processing. Please visit the IMPC 2026 Website to see the listing of Congress Technical Streams (www.impc2026.com). The overall Congress Theme is "Empowering a future-fit mineral processing industry". Abstracts which are aligned with this overall theme will be considered for one of the twelve special technical workshops, but all abstracts of suitable technical merit are welcome. Abstracts must be submitted electronically as a PDF or Rich Text Format (.rtf) document via the Online Abstract Submission Portal

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KEY DATES

Abstract Submission Deadline	26 September 2025
Abstract Review Process	06 October 2025 – 28 November 2025
Papers Submission Deadline	27 February 2026
Paper Review Process	30 April 2026
Paper Submission Deadline	29 May 2026
Paper Review Process	1 June – 30 June 2026
Author Registration	1 May 2026

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