

# Newcomers and New Members

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## Newcomers

### General Tips

- Familiarise yourself with the venue



Bram Fischer Rd

Upper North Plaza

North Plaza

West Central East

Hall 1

South Plaza

East Lawn

Coast of Dreams  
Mystrals

Aliwal

Hall 6

ICC Main Entrance

Hall 1

A B

A B

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E C

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Hall 3

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Hall 5

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Hall 6

A B

Concourse

MR 11-21

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Concourse

Arena Entrance

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Gate E

Gate A

Gate B

Gate B1

Gate C

Samora Machel St

Gate D

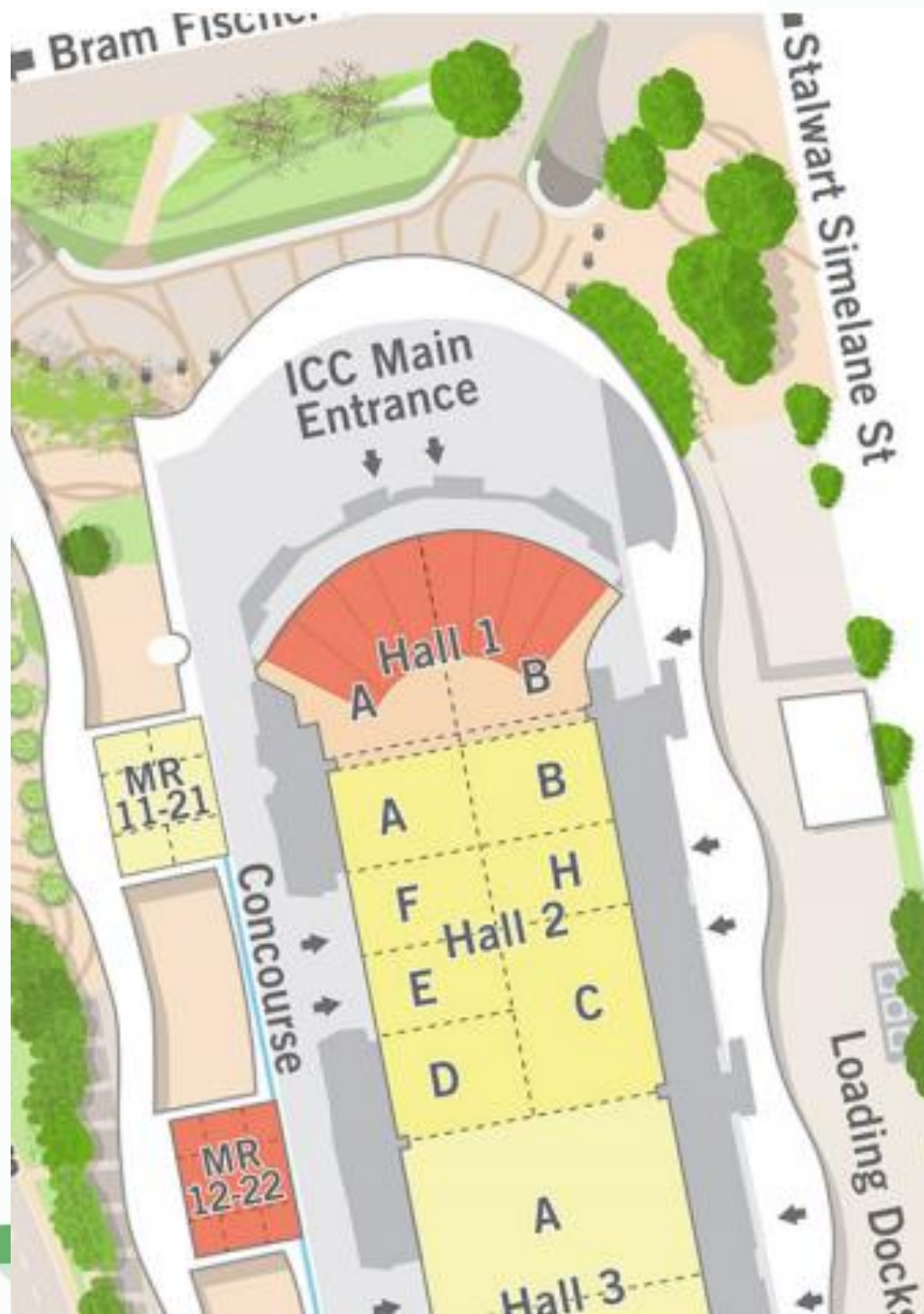
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# Newcomers

## General Tips

- Manage your schedule



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## Newcomers

## General Tips

- Get out of your comfort zone
  - Dress code
  - Network
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## Newcomers

## Session types

- Pre-Conference workshops
- Plenary Sessions
- Parallel sessions
- Round tables
- Poster sessions
- Business meetings

**Newcomers**

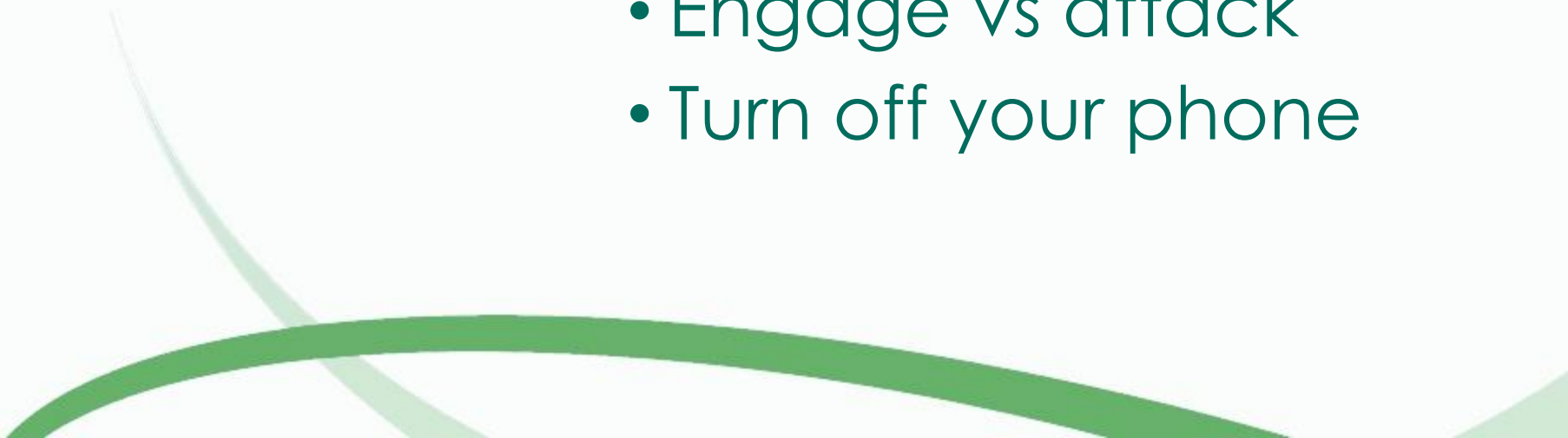
**Events and  
activities**

Programme Book



## Newcomers

## Session participation

- Respect the presenter
  - Ask questions
  - Engage vs attack
  - Turn off your phone
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## Newcomers

## Your responsibilities

- Broaden your horizons
- Get inspired, get new ideas
- Engage
- Network
- Take it back to your colleagues
- To have fun

## **New Members**

- Established on 10 July 1997
- Association for all library and information workers in South Africa

## **Who is LIASA?**

- SAQA recognised professional body – NQF Act 67 of 2008
- Represents the sector at national and international levels

## **New Members**

- Representative Council
  - Branch and Interest group chairs, Branch chair elects, National Executive Committee & editors of LIASA-in-Touch and SAJLIS

## **How does LIASA function?**

- National Executive Committee
  - Elected officials – President, President-Elect, Treasurer, Secretary and PRO
  - 4 Representative Council Officials as Additional Members

## **New Members**

## **How does LIASA function?**

- 10 branches (2 in Gauteng)
- Each branch has a committee elected from its paid up members
- Branches arrange own meetings
- Interest groups cover various areas of interest and specialisation
- Elections held every two years (2016)

## **New Members**

- Regular communication
- Four issues of the LIASA-in-Touch
- South African Journal for Library and Information Science,
- Discounted rates for meetings, workshops, seminars and the annual conference

## **Benefits**



## **New Members**

## **Benefits**

- Discounted rates for training sessions, courses and workshops
- Eligibility for the various prestigious LIASA awards
- Eligibility for grants, scholarships or other financial support opportunities
- Eligibility to attend the IFLA Conference on the IFLA membership rate
- Eligibility to serve on branch, interest group and other LIASA committees

## **New Members**

- Membership of your local branch and access to all its activities at discounted rates

## **Benefits**

- Membership of two Interest Groups of your choice and access to its activities
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## New Members

- <http://members.liasa.org.za>
- Membership form from the LIASA website

## How do I join and pay?

- EFT
- Speedpoint payments at conference
- Cash

## **New Members**

## **My responsibilities as a LIASA member**

- Be involved in activities and structures
- Share experiences, challenges and successes
- Be engaged in the profession
- Self development
- Be a role model for young professionals
- Always conduct yourself in a acceptable way



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