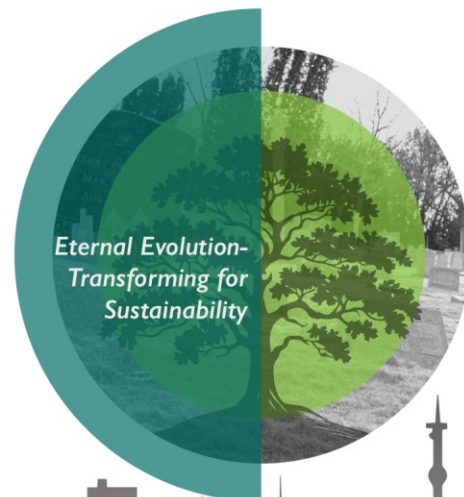




SOUTH AFRICAN CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2025, 25-27 AUGUST

Brixton Multipurpose Centre, 78 Foyle Ave, Mayfair West, Johannesburg



11 August 2025

### MEDIA INVITATION

#### SACA NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2025

The South African Cemeteries Association (SACA), in collaboration with Johannesburg City Parks and Zoo, invites members of the media to attend and cover the SACA National Conference 2025, themed “Eternal Evolution – Transforming for Sustainability”.

The conference aims to bring together stakeholders from across the country and across the borders, including government officials, cemetery and crematoria professionals, researchers, and urban planners for critical discussions around the future of cemetery management and sustainability practices.

#### Featured Speakers & Topics Include:

- **Bongumusa Walter Ngema** – Postgraduate Sustainability Researcher: Sustainable cemetery innovations and climate-adaptive policy.
- **Dr Piali Haldar** – Rural Development & Marketing Specialist: Eco-friendly memorial alternatives.
- **Miss Boitumelo Faith Mafafo** – Regional Manager, JCPZ: Addressing vandalism in cemeteries through green infrastructure.
- **Kgosi Thabo Milton Seatlholo** – Chairperson, National House of Traditional & Khoi-San Leaders: Heritage, policy advocacy, and rural development.
- **Mr Rabelani Tshikalange** – SALGA Climate Change Specialist: Cemeteries as green, multifunctional urban spaces.
- **Dr R.D. Gwisai** – Environmental Scientist: Burial space innovation in Zimbabwe.
- **Dr Relebohile Ncha** – National Department of Health: Forensic pathology services and unidentified bodies.

#### Why Cover This Event:

- Access exclusive interviews with high-profile national leaders, researchers, and policy experts.
- Report on groundbreaking solutions to burial space shortages, cultural preservation, and sustainability in the sector.



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- Gain insights into emerging policies and technologies shaping the future of cemeteries in South Africa.

Members of the media are invited to attend as follows:

**Date: 25–27 August 2025**

**Venue: Brixton Multipurpose Centre, Johannesburg**

**Onsite media interview opportunities with speakers and organisers are available by request.**

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**About the South African Cemeteries Association (SACA)**

The **South African Cemeteries Association (SACA)** is a registered non-profit organisation under the Department of Social Development. Led by municipal cemetery and crematoria officials, SACA pioneers efforts toward a world-class, sustainable, and development-focused cemetery service across South Africa. With a mission to promote continuous professional improvement, SACA guides municipalities and stakeholders in implementing best practices, policy frameworks, training, and advocacy. The Association champions accessibility, integrity, education, and environmental stewardship, all aimed at transforming cemetery and crematoria services for present and future generations.