

# The 11<sup>th</sup> African Small Mammal Symposium

**Africa's Small Mammal Biologists Tackling Africa's Big Problems**

*Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2011, Kwaluseni, Swaziland*

FOURTH CIRCULAR

The Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Swaziland, Swaziland is proud to host the 11<sup>th</sup> African Small Mammal Symposium (ASMS). ASMS will be held at the Kwaluseni Campus of the University of Swaziland from Sunday evening 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Friday afternoon 8<sup>th</sup> July.

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**Content:** reminder of important dates and information on funding.

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## Reminder of Important Dates

Deadline for early registration: 21 March 2011

Deadline for submission of Abstracts: 8 April 2011

For fees structure and payment options, see the 3<sup>rd</sup> Circular.

Abstracts must be submitted via email to: [ASMS@uniswa.sz](mailto:ASMS@uniswa.sz) (with "Abstract" in the subject line). Please adhere to the following style and format for abstracts as per the 3<sup>rd</sup> Circular.

**IMPORTANT:** Your registration will only be accepted once your payment has been received. Please see the 3<sup>rd</sup> Circular for the details.

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## Information on Funding

The Local Organizing Committee has secured funding from various sources to assist African delegates to attend ASMS in Swaziland. We request those African delegates who require funding to submit a short (half a page) motivating letter detailing why they should receive the support. This letter is to be submitted together with the registration forms and Abstract. We will generally only fund registration fees and accommodation, but will consider supporting travel costs in exceptional cases. We will select the

successful candidates based on the content of the Abstract and the short motivating letter.

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**IMPORTANT:** To register your interest, add your name to the circulation list. Please send an email with your contact details to [ASMS@uniswa.sz](mailto:ASMS@uniswa.sz) .

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