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PRESS RELEASE: 9th International Conference on Appropriate Technology (9th ICAT)

PROMOTING TECHNOLOGY TO EMPOWER PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

TUT is hosting the 9th ICAT with the International Network of Appropriate Technology (INAT) in Pretoria, South Africa open to the global community through our virtual platforms. The theme is “Technology Exchange and Employment Creation for Community Empowerment: Cross-Pollinating Innovative Models”

One highlight of the 9th ICAT is our Tech-a-thon. We are organising and inviting teams to design and build solutions to global community challenges in alignment with the 9th ICAT theme of appropriate technology to empower communities. All projects will be evaluated by an International Advisory Committee and winning teams will receive monetary awards of up to \$1,200. **REGISTER TODAY AT <http://appropriatetech.net/index.php/icat9#techathon>. Register before 17th November and RECEIVE FREE registration for the full schedule of the 9th ICAT (worth up to 4 000 Rand)**

Another highlight is the 9th ICAT Technology Fair, which will feature university projects, Start-up enterprises, small and medium enterprises, as well as non-governmental and governmental organization technology initiatives that provide products and services engaging in appropriate technologies. **The Technology Fair will be free and open to the public.**

The 9th ICAT Scientific Review Committee received over 150 abstracts and 90 papers from universities, companies and research centres globally, and 70 papers were accepted for presentation at the 9th ICAT following a double-blind review process.

The 9th ICAT opens with a full day Colloquium for doctoral students and a two day workshop on Appropriate Technology (AT) and medium-scale farming. Workshops on Raspberry Pi programming; socially relevant research; virtual reality programming; indigenous knowledge systems, 3D printing and Ethics and Appropriate Technology are included with conference registration.

Keynote presentations will be delivered by leaders in the AT field from Angola, Benin, Brazil, Mauritius, South Africa, Sudan and USA.

Visit our website www.appropriatetech.net to register and get more detail.



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