



South African Revenue Protection Association Convention 2012

SARPA CONVENTION CALL FOR PAPERS

The South African Revenue Protection Association will be holding its 16th Annual Convention hosted by Drakenstein Municipality on 12 & 13 July 2012. We invite persons and organisations that wish to present papers, to submit a short synopsis for consideration and inclusion into the programme.

The theme for this year's convention is:

“Effective Revenue Recovery Solutions”

The Executive Council invites papers broadly within the above theme, relating to municipal and other utility services, including electricity and water, for presentation to the convention delegates.

Sub- themes:

- Revenue management practices and structures
- Legislation, regulation, and law enforcement
- Socio-political solutions to revenue recovery
- Technology based solutions
- Non ferrous metal theft
- Illegal connections and tampering offences
- Water challenges and solutions
- Financial sustainability and credit control
- Data management and data cleaning

Papers should all be 20 minutes in duration, with 10 minutes reserved for questions and comments from the floor.

Every year more and more Councillors, Civil Engineers, Electrical Engineers, Water Engineers and Treasurers attend the SARPA Convention on the basis that it is the one and only forum in South Africa that focuses on a holistic approach to securing the income of your Council or Utility for services provided to the public. Papers based on significant research or practical case study material will be given preference. Commercial content is not permissible, except where a new technology, system or an innovation is introduced. Commercial papers should indicate that the subject is a new innovation or technology. Legal issues are always popular and case studies detailing successful litigation and enforcement strategies will be welcomed.

Feedback on papers presented at previous SARPA Conventions is also welcome. You may also want to propose a paper by someone else whom you believe has a valuable contribution.

Proposals for papers to be presented at the SARPA Convention must be submitted to the secretariat at melindi@vdw.co.za using the attached form by no later than 12 March 2012.

Yours faithfully

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SARPA: President

