
Call for Papers : Biodiversity & Oceans Summit 2025

Theme: : “Blue Earth, Bold Solutions: Innovation for Ecosystems, Livelihoods & Climate Resilience”

Date: 14 August 2025

Venue: Durban Botanic Gardens, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

The Organising Committee of the ***Biodiversity and Oceans Summit 2025***, hosted by the Bukelani Institute in collaboration with KaMakhiwa Capital, invites researchers, practitioners, innovators, policymakers, and community leaders to submit papers for presentation.

The ***Biodiversity and Oceans Summit 2025*** brings together thought leaders, researchers, policymakers, traditional leaders, activists, students, and coastal communities to explore innovative, inclusive, and locally grounded approaches to biodiversity conservation, ecosystem restoration, and sustainable ocean economies.

Key Tracks & Focus Areas

- Ocean Health and Sustainability
- Biodiversity and Ecosystem Restoration
- Blue Ocean Economy and Coastal Livelihoods
- Traditional Knowledge and Indigenous Practices

Submission Guidelines

- Abstracts should not exceed 300 words.
- Submissions must include: title, author(s), institutional affiliation(s), contact details, and up to 5 keywords.
- Papers may be conceptual, empirical, or practice-based.
- All accepted authors will be invited to present at the Summit (oral or poster format).

Important Dates:

- Abstract Submission Deadline: **31 May 2025**
- Notification of Acceptance: **06 June 2025**
- Final Paper/Presentation Submission: **24 June 2025**

How to Submit

Send your abstracts and enquiries to: **ce@bukelani.org**

Subject line: *Biodiversity Innovation Summit 2025 – Paper Submission*

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