

24th Annual Information Studies Conference

Programme

Date: 04th-06th September 2024

THEME: Open Science: Information, Knowledge, Technology, LIS Education (LISE)

Day One, 04 September 2024

Venue: Indaba Lodge, Richards Bay

Time	Event	
Plenary Session 1 Chair: Dr MS Mthembu		
07:45 - 08:15	Registration/Tea	Administration, connectivity & technical matters: Ms N Fakazi, Ms NC Majola, Ms NN Buthelezi, Ms A Mbalo & Ms NF Fakazi (University of Zululand)
08:15 - 08:30	Purpose, scope and expectations of the Conference	Prof GV Jiyane (Head of the Department of Information Studies, University of Zululand)
08:30 - 08:45	Welcoming Remarks	Prof. AL Shokane Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zululand
08:45 - 9:00	Opening Remarks	Prof B Brown – Research Director, University of Zululand
09:00 – 09:45	Keynote Address: Ethical Dimension of Open Science in an i4.0 Context	Prof S Mutula (University of KwaZulu-Natal)
09:45 - 10:15	Guest Speaker: Indigenous knowledge in the era of Open Science in South Africa	Prof JR Maluleka (University of South Africa)
10:15 - 10:40	Discussions and Questions	
10:55 - 11: 15	Health Break (Tea/Coffee)	
Plenary Session 2: Open Access and Openness to diversity of knowledge Chair: Prof GV Jiyane		
11:15 - 11:30	Guest Speaker: Open science, open engagement of societal actors and the changing research landscape	Prof T Mugwisi (National University of Science and Technology, Zimbabwe)
11:30 - 11:45	Bibliometrics Analysis of Open Science Research in Scopus from 2004 to 2023	Nkosingiphile M Zungu and Dennis N Ocholla (University of Zululand, South Africa)
11:45 -12:00	Improving Treatment Adherence for Hepatitis B and C Patients through Counselling and Education: A Case Study at Ngwelezane Tertiary Hospital, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa	Dorcas I. Ibinaiye and Glenrose V. Jiyane (University of Zululand, South Africa)
12:00 -12:15	Assessing the Awareness and Adoption of Artificial Intelligence (Ai) as Open Resource Among Academic and Students of Nigerian Universities	Saturday U. Omeluzor and Njideka N C Ojukwu (Federal University of Petroleum Resources Effurun- Nigeria and University of Zululand- South Africa)

12:15 -12:30	Open access policy, infrastructure and awareness strategies at the University of Lagos to encourage usage.	Austin T Pedro, Dennis N. Ocholla and Petros Dlamini (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
12:30 -12:45	Challenges facing public libraries in adopting digital practices for collection development in KwaZulu-Natal	Andile Khanyile and Glenrose V Jiyane (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
12:45 -13:00	Discussions and Questions	
13:00 -14:00	Lunch Break	
Plenary Session 3: Open data and open- source software Chair: Dr PN Dlamini		
14:00 – 14:40	Keynote Address: Embracing Openness: Exploring the Adoption and Applications of Open Data and Open-Source Software in Library and Information Science Research in African Institutions	Prof Elisha Chiware (<i>Cape Peninsula University of Technology</i>)
14:40 - 14: 55	Empowering Lifelong Learners: How Artificial Intelligence Can Transform Education through Libraries in Nigeria	Hindatu S Abubakar (<i>Katsina State Institute of Technology and Management, Nigeria</i>)
15:15 - 15:30	An evaluation of the acceptance of the Libby library reading application by patrons of the selected public libraries in KwaZulu-Natal	Langelihle Mtungwa, Matsobane D Kekana and Mpilo S Mthembu (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
15: 30 - 15:45	Perceptions of Academic Staff on the Influences of Librarians and Working Colleagues Towards the Awareness and Use of Electronic Databases in Umaru Musa Yar’adua University, Katsina	Lawal Kado (<i>Umaru Musa Yar’adua University, Katsina, Nigeria</i>)
15:45 - 16:00	Evaluating the effectiveness of electronic information resource organization strategies in academic libraries	Rendani Nevondo and Glenrose V Jiyane (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
16:00 - 16:15	An Analysis of Appropriate Remote Learning Modes for Library and Information Science (LIS) Schools During Pandemics in South Africa	Ncamisile C Majola (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
16: 15- 16: 35	Discussions and Questions	
PANEL DISCUSSION Panel Members Prof S Mutula Prof JR Maluleka Prof A Chiware Panel Chair: Dr MS Mthembu		

END OF DAY ONE

Day Two, 05 September 2024

Venue: Indaba Lodge, Richards Bay

Plenary Session 4: Openness to indigenous knowledge systems

Chair: Dr CNN Ojukwu

08:00 – 08:30	Tea and Registration	Administration, connectivity & technical matters: Ms N Fakazi, Ms NC Majola, Ms NN Buthelezi & Ms A Mbalo (University of Zululand)
08:30- 08:40	Opening and welcoming Remarks	Prof Glenrose V Jiyane (<i>University of Zululand</i>)
08:40 – 09:10	Guest Speaker: The Complex Marriage. Open Science and Open Indigenous Knowledge	Prof Dennis N Ocholla (<i>University of Zululand</i>)
09:10 – 09:25	Preserving South African cultural heritage and indigenous knowledge using a non-fungible token (NFT) system	Mfuneko Marareni, Mpilo S. Mthembu and Petros N. Dlamini (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
09:25- 09:40	Role of archivist and Records Manager on provision of access to information in the era of openness in South Africa	Sidney Netshakhuma (<i>Tshwane University of Technology, South Africa</i>)
09:55- 10:10	Leveraging digital records management through artificial intelligence (AI) technologies: the case of department of road transport services (DRTS) in Botswana	Nna Motlhasedi and Jan R Maluleka (<i>University of South Africa, South Africa</i>)
10:10 – 10: 25	Implementation of access to information legislation in public archival repositories of South Africa	Nkwe Marcia (<i>University of South Africa, South Africa</i>)
10:25 - 11:45	Discussions and Questions	
	Health Break (Refreshment)	

Plenary Session 5: Open Educational Resources

Chair: Dr PT Sibiya

12:00 – 12:30	Empowering Student Success: Exploring the Awareness and Utilization of Library Electronic Resources at the University of Eswatini	Temaswati Dlamini and Vusi Tsabedze (<i>University of Swaziland, Eswatini</i>)
12:30 – 12:45	The Level of Awareness and Use of E-Books in Supporting Postgraduate Students' Research in Tertiary Institutions that Offer LIS In Kwazulu-Natal	Nokukhanya S Mathenjwa, Petros N Dlamini and Matsobane D Kekana (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
12:45 - 13:00	The adoption and utilisation of online databases by postgraduate students in the Faculty of Humanities of the selected universities, in KZN	Nozizwe F Fakazi, Petros N Dlamini and Lungile Precious (<i>University of Zululand and University of South Africa, South Africa</i>)

13:00 - 13:15	Perceptions of Primary School Educators on Social Media Usage by Children in Ndwedwe, KwaZulu-Nata	Ndumiso Mdim and Nkosingiphile M Zungu (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
13:15 - 14:00	Discussions and Questions	
14: 00 -14: 15	Lunch Break	
Plenary Session 6: Cross Cutting Themes Chair: Prof JR Maluleka		
14:15 – 14:45	Keynote Address: Knitty-Gritty Open Information Sciences – AI, Information Modelling and Representation in the Realm of AI-for-good	Prof Kelvin J Bwalya (<i>Sohar University, Sultanate of Oman, Asia</i>)
14:45 - 15:00	Enhancing Digital Information Services provision for International Postgraduate Students: In a Government Department in KwaZulu-Natal	Nondumiso C Sikhosana (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
15:00 - 15:15	The Influence of Institutional ctors on Knowledge Management Practices of Health Sector NGOs in Nairobi County, Kenya: Preliminary results	James N Kimani, Dennis N Ocholla and Glenrose V Jiyane (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
15:15 - 15:30	Curriculum content for digital scholarship in library and information science schools in South Africa	Philangani T Sibiya (<i>University of South Africa, South Africa</i>)
15:30 – 15:45	Information Security Management of Medical Records At R.K Khan Hospital in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa	Rebone Maphumulo and Lungile P Luthuli (<i>University of South Africa, South Africa</i>)
15:45 – 16:00	Assessing the impact of training carried out on Huduma Centres staff and clients to effectively use the Public Services in Kenya	Mercy G Nkanata and Dennis N Ocholla (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
16:00 -16:15	Cybercrime Awareness and Risks among Rural Umzingazi Internet Users in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa	Talent M Biyela and Nkosingiphile M Zungu (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
16:15-16:30	Exploring Factors Influencing Information Utilisation by Hepatitis B and C Patients in a Tertiary Hospital, South Africa	Dorcas I. Ibinaiye and Glenrose V. Jiyane (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
16:30-16:45	Evaluating the effectiveness of electronic information resource organization strategies in academic libraries in the Limpopo province of South Africa	Rendani Nevondo and Glenrose V Jiyane (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
17:00-17:15	Discussions and questions	
	PANEL DISCUSSION Panel members: Prof KJ Bwalya Prof DN Ocholla	

	Panel Chair: Prof JR Maluleka	
END OF DAY TWO		
GALA DINNER:18H00		
Key Event: Book Launch		
Day Three, 06th September 2024		
Main Conference		
Venue: Indaba Lodge		
08:00 - 08:30	Registration /Health Break/Tea & Coffee	
	Ms N Fakazi, Ms NC Majola, Ms NN Buthelezi, Ms A Mbalo & Ms NF Fakazi (University of Zululand)	
Plenary Session 7: Students presentations		
Chair: Prof GV Jiyane		
08:30 - 08:40	Welcoming and Opening Remarks	Dr Vusi Tsabedze (University of Swaziland, Eswatini)
08:40 – 09:30	Guest Speaker: Cross-Fertilisation of Knowledge in Healthcare through Collaboration	Dr Aderonke O Adesina (Nottingham Trent University, United Kingdom)
09:30 - 09:45	The Adoption of Authentic Assessment Methods for ICT courses in KwaZulu-Natal Universities	Athini Mbalo (University of Zululand, South Africa)
09:45 - 10:00	The role of ICT department in students' cyber security threats at Unizulu: A literature review	Sthabile Maduna (University of Zululand, South Africa)
10:00 - 10:15	Using Altmetrics to analyse the visibility and impact of Library and Information Science (LIS) researchers in South Africa	Sthembile A Magwanyana (University of Zululand, South Africa)
10:15 - 10:30	Discussions and Questions	
10:30 - 10:45	Health Break/Tea & Coffee	
Plenary Session 8: Students Presentations Two		
Chair: Dr MS Mthembu		
10:45 - 11:00	Adoption of cloud computing among first year students in the department of information studies at the university of Zululand	Buhle N Mthembu (University of Zululand, South Africa)

11:00 – 11:15	Awareness of using the university of Zululand institutional repository for academic purposes among third year students in the department of information studies	Innocent N Gumede (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
11:15 - 12:00	The utilisation of electronic databases for academic activities among Unizulu students	Gcwabaza Siphesihle (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
12:00 – 12:30	Preservation of research outputs for post graduate students through the UNIZULU institutional repository	Avemahle N Shange (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
12:30 - 12:45	Digital preservation strategies in sustaining Unizulu library collection	Minenhle Thusi (<i>University of Zululand, South Africa</i>)
12:45-13:00	Discussions and Questions	

<p align="center">Plenary Session 9: Poster Session</p> <p align="center">Chair: Mr MD Kekana</p>		
	Poster presentations Discussions and Questions	
13:00-13:05	Thabiso Zulu (<i>The role of social media platforms in promoting user engagement at the Unizulu library</i>) – University of Zululand, South Africa	
13:05-13:10	Asanda Mtolo (<i>Accessibility of Electronic books by third year students at the Department of Information Studies at the Unizulu academic library</i>) – University of Zululand, South Africa	
13:10-13:15	Bongekile Gqetywa (<i>The application of artificial intelligence in academic pursuit of the undergraduate students in the department of information studies at Unizulu</i>) – University of Zululand, South Africa	
13:15-13:20	Hlengiwe Ngwenya (<i>The Awareness of Using Electronic Resources Among First-Year Students at the University of Zululand</i>) – University of Zululand, South Africa	
13:20-13:25	Lwandile Khumalo (<i>The utilisation of artificial intelligence tools among third-year students in the department of information studies at the university of Zululand</i>) - University of Zululand, South Africa	
13:25-14:30	Lusanda Zungu (<i>Perception of second year students on the experience of the library training programs at the University of Zululand</i>) – University of Zululand, South Africa	
	Zoe Pillay (<i>Intersectoral collaboration management to sexuality education in secondary schools in KZN, South Africa</i>) - University of Zululand, South Africa	
14: 30-14: 45	Students Prizes: presentation by Mr MD Kekana Panel members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof CJ Bwalya, Sohar University • Dr PN Dlamini, University of Zululand • Dr PT Sibiyi, University of South Africa • Dr MS Mthembu, University of Zululand • Prof JR Maluleka, University of South Africa 	
14: 45-14: 50	Vote of Thanks & Announcements	Dr Petros N Dlamini (<i>University of Zululand</i>)
<p align="center">Lunch</p> <p align="center">END OF CONFERENCE</p>		