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Dear Hydrogeologist

Here is a quick update on IAH-SA matters. The new committee has met, and we have quite a nice list of items to address, which are outlined below.



■ **IAH—2023 Congress:** Wrapping up the Congress has been challenging. We need to repay the IAH loan, the IAEA balance, refund a number of delegates, etc.; however, paying invoices outside of SA is not straightforward. We are still working on this.

■ **ISMAR12 - 2025:** the planning for the 12th International Symposium on Managed Aquifer Recharge is progressing well (*we have learnt a lot of lessons from last years IAH Congress*) and the global interest is encouraging. Fanus Fourie is chairing the LOC and doing an excellent job. Please visit: <https://ismar12.org.za/>

■ **IAH-SA workshops:** following on from the success of previous workshops, we are considering this again, maybe not this year but late 2025. We will see. Potential topics include:

- o Management and Treatment of problematic groundwater quality.
- o Privatization of groundwater use – how private housing estates should address this issue.
- o Site visits to wellfields and treatment plants (Drakenstein and the West Coast).
- o Other suggestions are most welcome.

■ **SADC-GMI** and Partners are delighted to announce the upcoming 6th SADC Groundwater Conference. Theme: Promoting Peace Across Borders through Conjunctive Water Management. Date: 13, 14 & 15 November 2024. Venue: Maseru, Lesotho. Please visit <https://sadc-gmi.org/>

■ **IAH - Membership:** Thank you to all those who have joined, and please encourage others to join. (www.iah.org). The SA Sector has 72 members.

■ **IAH-2024 Congress:** The plans for the Davos Congress are coming together well and there is significant interest from South Africa in attending. Please consider attending. Visit: <https://www.iah2024davos.org/>

That's a quick overview, and as always we welcome your suggestions and input. We appreciate your support.

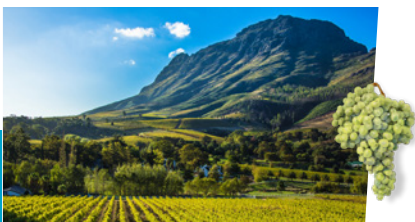
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