

DHASA 2025: DAY 1
 Tuesday, 11 November 2025
CSIR International Convention Centre

TIME		CODE	ACTIVITY	PRESENTER(S)	SUBMISSION ID	VENUE
08:00	09:00	R02	Registration and Ice Breaker			Foyer
09:00	09:30	OR	Opening Remarks	<i>Ilana Wilken and Lulama Wakaba</i>		Ruby Auditorium
09:30	10:30	KS	Keynote Infrastructures of Belonging: Experimentation, Activism, and Futures from the African Continent	<i>Iginio Gagliardone</i>		Ruby Auditorium
10:30	11:00	MB02	Tea Break			Foyer
11:00	12:00	ES1	Executive Summary Presentations and Discussion	Session chair: Juan Steyn		Ruby Auditorium
			Xitsonga Corpus Building	<i>Respect Mlambo and Juan Steyn</i>	129	
			Building a Corpus of Tanzanian Parliamentary Hansards	<i>Beata Wojtowicz, Maciej Ogrodniczuk</i>	110	
			From Hashtags to Action: Digital Media, Citizen Activism, and Inclusive Social Change in Kenya	<i>Moses Mathenge*, Dennis Mbadi</i>	128	
			Enhancing Concord in Academic Writing: The Role of Grammarly as an AI Assistant	<i>Justina Latenda Amakali</i>	131	
			A Journey Towards Improved Readability Assessment in Afrikaans: Cross-validated Linear Regression as a First Step	<i>Susan Lotz, Bo Blankers, Rik van Noord, Carel Jansen</i>	138	
12:00	13:00	AGM	DHASA AGM			Ruby Auditorium
13:00	14:00	L02	Lunch			Deck
14:00	15:00	W1A	Workshop 1: Overview of Bantu Languages Processing Tools	<i>Laurette Marais and Laurette Pretorius</i>		Ruby Auditorium
15:00	15:30	AB02	Tea Break			Foyer
15:30	16:30	W1B	Workshop 1: Overview of Bantu Languages Processing Tools	<i>Laurette Marais and Laurette Pretorius</i>		Ruby Auditorium

DHASA 2025: DAY 2
Wednesday, 12 November 2025
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TIME		CODE	ACTIVITY	PRESENTER(S)	SUBMISSION ID	VENUE
08:30	09:00	R03	Registration			Foyer
9:00	10:30	LP1	Long Paper Presentations	Session Chair: Marissa Griesel		
9:00	9:30		Exploring African Digital Humanities Using the Journal of the Digital Humanities Association of Southern Africa	Johannes Sibeko	124	Ruby Auditorium
9:30	10:00		Setting the Stage: Enabling Spaces for Dialogues with Ibalì Digital Collections UCT	Sanjin Muftic	103	Ruby Auditorium
10:00	10:30					
10:30	11:00	MB03	Tea Break			Foyer
11:00	12:00	PD	Panel Discussion	Session Chair: Laurette Marais		
			The Role of the Humanities in Digital Humanities and Artificial Intelligence	Prof Marion Walton (UCT), Dr Denzil Chetty (Unisa), Dr Gabby Dlamini (NMU), Prof Janelize Morelli (NWU), Dr Hossein Masoumi-Karakani (UP) and Prof Iginio Gargliodorne (UJ).		Ruby Auditorium
12:00	13:00	LP2	Long Paper Presentations	Session Chair: Johannes Sibeko		
12:00	12:30		Acceptance of Synthetic Speech in South African Languages: A Comparative Study of Afrikaans, isiZulu, and Sepedi in Healthcare Contexts	Aby Louw and Ilana Wilken	118	Ruby Auditorium
12:30	13:00		Following Digital Footprints: Researching South African Digital Poetry	Jasmine Matthey*	137	Ruby Auditorium
13:00	14:00	L03	Lunch			Deck
14:00	15:00	W2A	Workshop 2: Generative AI	Privolin Naidoo		Ruby Auditorium
15:00	15:30	AB03	Tea Break			Foyer
15:30	16:30	W2B	Workshop 2: Generative AI	Privolin Naidoo		Ruby Auditorium
18:00	21:00	GD	Gala Dinner			Deck

DHASA 2025: DAY 3
Thursday, 13 November 2025
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08:30	09:00	R04	Registration			Foyer
9:00	10:30	LP3	Long Paper Presentations	Session Chair: Privilin Naidoo		
9:00	9:30		Mapping Intersectionality: Geospatial Narratives and Digital Activism in Chioma Okereke's Water Baby	Henry Chukwudi John and Diana Roig Sanz	132	Ruby Auditorium
9:30	10:00		Using Content Analysis to Explore AmaXhosa Language Identities in Social Media Texts	Nkazimlo Ngcunga*	149	Ruby Auditorium
10:00	10:30	SP	Short Paper Presentations	Session Chair: Menno van Zaanen		
10:00	10:15		Multilingual Vibes: Visualising Linguistic Resources and Emoji in Southern African Online Discourse	Zelalem Shibeshi, Marion Walton, Johannes Sibeko, Vusi Maxwell Mthembu, Henri-Count Evans and Nkazimlo Ngcunga	139	Ruby Auditorium
10:15	10:30		Social Mobility and Phonetic Change in South African Indian English: Retroflexion and GOOSE-Fronting in Potchefstroom and Mohadin	Angel Nyoni*, Ian Bekker and Alfred Kondoro	116	Ruby Auditorium
10:30	11:00	MB04	Tea Break			Foyer
11:00	12:00	LP4	Long Paper Presentations	Session Chair: Laurette Marais		
11:00	11:30		Shedding Light on Loadshedding with Natural Language Processing: A Social Media Case Study on Public Perspectives of the South African Electricity Crisis in 2022	Avashlin Moodley and Privilin Naidoo	130	Ruby Auditorium
11:30	12:00		Creative AI: Prompting Portraits and Matching Datasets	Amanda du Preez	148	Ruby Auditorium
12:00	13:00	ILN	Indigenous Language Newspapers and the Digital Age	Respect Mlambo, Dunisani Ntsanwisi, Paula Fray and Juan Steyn		Ruby Auditorium
13:00	14:00	L04	Lunch			Deck
14:00	15:00	W3A	Workshop 3: Writing a Data Paper	Johannes Sibeko and Benito Trollip		Ruby Auditorium
15:00	15:30	AB04	Tea Break			Foyer
15:30	16:30	W3B	Workshop 3: Writing a Data Paper	Johannes Sibeko and Benito Trollip		Ruby Auditorium

DHASA 2025: DAY 4
Friday, 14 November 2025
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TIME		CODE	ACTIVITY	PRESENTER(S)	SUBMISSION ID	VENUE
08:30	09:00	R05	Registration			Foyer
9:00	10:30	W4	Workshop 4: Machine Learning for Everyone with Orange Data Mining	Alette Schoon		Ruby Auditorium
10:30	11:00	MB05	Tea Break			Foyer
11:00	12:00	ES2	Executive Summary Presentations and Discussion	Session chair: Jessica Mabaso		Ruby Auditorium
			Digital Transmission of isiXhosa Idiomatic and Proverbial Knowledge	Khanyisa Zinto	127	
			Investigating DH Development and Maturation in Southern Africa	Juan Steyn	134	
			Africanpedia: AI-Driven Multilingual Metadata for African Cultural Heritage (Demo at https://www.africanpedia.com)	Augustine Farinola*	156	
			Combining Digital Humanities Tools and Computational Analysis in a Study of African Youth Literary Works	Bronwyn June Bowles-King*	157	
			A Corpus-based Analysis of Grammatical Error Frequency and Types in English Writing of Students from Private and Public schools	Solomon Ngoako Bopape	158	
12:00	13:00	CR	Closing Remarks	Menno van Zaanen and Ilana Wilken		Ruby Auditorium
13:00	14:00	L05	Lunch			Deck