

Vector and Vector-Borne Diseases Research Programme, Department of Veterinary Tropical Diseases, Faculty of Veterinary Science, University of Pretoria

What to expect

The Ivan Horak tick identification course will provide participants an insight into the identification, biology, ecology and collection of the medically/veterinary important tick species. During the course, 42 species (38 Ixodidae, 4 Argasidae), considered to be major vectors of disease, will be covered in detail. Additionally, a fieldwork component in a unique wildlife/livestock/human interface will cover current collection methodologies that can be used for the planning and execution of tick surveillance projects



Facilitators

The course will be led by three internationally recognised tick experts, Dr. Maxime Madder, Prof. Luis Neves and Dr. Hein Stoltsz.

Participants

The course is open to all local or international biologist, veterinary technologist and veterinarians.

Dates

Arrival of participants at Hans Hoheisen (near Orpen Gate, Kruger National Park) on Sunday the 14th of October 2018. The Participants will depart on Thursday, the 18th of October 2018.

Venues

The course will be held at the laboratories of Hans Hoheisen Wildlife Research Station (HHWRS) with fieldwork in the surrounding wildlife/livestock/human interface areas.

Transport

Participants will be responsible to arrange their own transport to the venue or to Hoedspruit Airport where transfer to the venue will be provided.

Course fee

R9000 (South African Rands)

Fees will include all costs for transport (by mini-busses), accommodation and meals for the duration of the Tick Identification course.

Application procedure

The online application will be available on our webpage as from 3 September 2018. The application submission deadline is 26 September 2018. The selection committee will meet a few days thereafter. Invitation letters will follow once accepted to attend the Tick Identification Course.

Contact details

For further information, expression of interests and/or to be included in the mailing list, please contact Mrs Maude da Cal (maude.dacal@up.ac.za) from the Department of Veterinary Tropical Diseases.

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