

SACLA 2026: The 55th Annual Conference of the Southern African Computer Lecturers' Association

Hosted by the Southern African Computer Lecturers' Association in cooperation with the School of IT of the University of Cape Town

1. Privacy Policy

At SACLA 2026, the 55th Annual Conference of the Southern African Computer Lecturers' Association hosted by the School of IT of the University of Cape Town, we take your privacy seriously. This privacy policy outlines how we handle personal data supplied during registration for the conference held at Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge from 15 to 17 July 2026. Registration represents a contractual agreement between you and the conference organizers.

1.1 Data Processing Consent

In accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), we are committed to protecting the privacy of all personal data provided. By registering, you consent to the processing of your data for conference-related purposes.

1.2 Purpose and Retention

Personal data is collected to facilitate participation, manage logistics at the Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge, and process payments. Data will be stored for the duration of the conference cycle and for three years thereafter for audit purposes.

2. Terms and Conditions of Attendance

These terms apply to all participants of SACLA 2026. Acceptance occurs upon registration.

2.1 Registration and Payment

Registration is a pre-paid process. Access to the venue and sessions is only granted upon receipt of full payment in South African Rands (ZAR).

2.1.1 Payment Allocation and Attendee Responsibility

While payments may be processed by third parties or academic institutions, the ultimate responsibility rests with the attendee to ensure that their registration fee is received and correctly allocated.

Payments received without a clear Invoice Number and Attendee Name as a reference cannot be linked to your registration. If you are paying via an institution, you must follow up to ensure they have used the correct reference and emailed a Proof of Payment to the organizers. A registration is only considered "Confirmed" once the organizers have successfully matched the funds to the attendee's profile. The organizers will not be held liable for the non-allocation of funds resulting from missing references or failure to provide proof of payment.

2.2 Cancellation and Refund Policy

All cancellations must be emailed to rleroux@mongoose.co.za.

- Cancellation on or before 15 June 2026: 50% refund (less a 10% handling fee).
- Cancellation after 15 June 2026: No refunds will be issued.
- Substitutions are permitted if the organizers are notified in writing before the event start date.

3. Conduct and Liability

3.1 Liability Disclaimer

Participation in SACLA 2026 is at the registrant's own risk. The Southern African Computer Lecturers' Association, The School of IT of the University of Cape Town, the Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge, and Mongoose Communications & Design (Pty) Ltd are not liable for personal injury, illness, or loss/damage to personal belongings.

3.2 Photography and Media

By attending, participants grant permission for their likeness to be captured in photos or video for promotional purposes related to SACLA and its hosting partners.

3.3 Force Majeure

The organizers shall not be liable for any failure to perform obligations due to events beyond reasonable control, including natural disasters or strikes. In such cases, fees may be retained for future use or partially refunded after non-recoverable costs are deducted.