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Conserving
ecosystems for
species

11th
Agrisson
Congress

After all these years...

Do we really
know how to
manage veld?

Fire and
seedling
recruitment



Editorial

Dear Members

By the time you read this, the 41st Annual Congress of the GSSA will be almost upon us. This year's Congress promises to be exciting and stimulating. Two special interest symposia have already been planned: the first is a day's joint session with the SA Weed Science Society on managing invasive plants, and the second is on long-term ecological monitoring and long-term trials, with SANParks and the South African Ecological Observatory Network. This will continue our tradition of collaborating closely with other organisations; you may remember last year's workshop on grasslands conservation that was held with the National Grasslands Conservation Initiative.

Abstracts need to be in as soon as possible, so please don't leave it to the last moment—anyone who's ever tried to arrange a Congress programme will know how difficult it can be trying to squeeze in last-minute submissions. Speaking of which, I'd better get on with that myself.

See you at Congress!

Alan

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