



## LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA

7 – 12 JUNE 2009

### FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

The International Heliophysical Year (IHY) Africa 2009 workshop will be held at the New Fairmount Hotel in Livingstone, Zambia's tourist capital and home to one of the world's most spectacular natural wonders - the Victoria Falls. (For more information visit: <http://www.zambiatourism.com>).

This workshop is aimed at scientists and students from African countries, and those international scientists interested in working together with African scientists, who are involved in all aspects of Space Physics, and will include at least four main Heliophysics science sessions: (1) *Total Electron Content*, (2) *Ionospheric Irregularities and Scintillation*, (3) *Sun-Heliosphere Connection* and (4) *Magnetosphere-Ionosphere coupling*. In addition to these four main science sessions, the meeting will include a *Space Science Education and Public Outreach (EPO)* section. Moreover, the meeting will be expanded and include panel discussions on the *collaborative common database over the continent and about the infrastructure and communications in Africa*.

The Scintillation Network Decision Aid (SCINDA) 2009 meeting will take part in conjunction with the IHY-Africa 2009 meeting, and sessions concerning the SCINDA participants will take place on the Sunday (7 June 2009) and Monday (8 June 2009) preceding the IHY-Africa workshop.

The deadline for registration and submission of abstracts is 1 March 2009. Registration forms will be available on the website soon. All registration and other enquiries should be sent via email to [ihy2009@hmo.ac.za](mailto:ihy2009@hmo.ac.za).

Abstracts should be sent in preferably MS-Word format before 1 March 2009 by email to [ihy2009-abstracts@hmo.ac.za](mailto:ihy2009-abstracts@hmo.ac.za).

The registration fee for both the SCINDA and IHY Africa workshops will be US \$ 325, which will include transport to and from the airport, all lunches and teas, and the workshop dinner and excursion.

A block of accommodation has been reserved for workshop participants at the New Fairmont Hotel in Livingstone. The workshop website is located at the following address: <http://www.unza.zm/ihyafrica2009/index.html>.

Details concerning travel, accommodation, registration and abstract submission will be announced on this page as they become available.

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