



The Giraffe Conservation Foundation (GCF) and the Namibia Chamber of Environment (NCE) are offering sponsorship for up to 25 Namibian post-graduate students to attend and present at the 2024 Annual Conference of the Southern African Wildlife Management Association (SAWMA). The conference is locally hosted by GCF and will take place at Arebbusch Travel Lodge in Windhoek from **6-11 October 2024**. For conference theme and sub-themes, and any additional information, visit the conference website (<https://sawma.co.za/conference/>).

For your sponsorship application, email the following documents to admin@giraffeconservation.org:

- Proof of current enrolment stating name of your academic institution, degree and supervisor of your research project;
- Short motivation letter (max. 350 words) explaining why you should be selected to present and attend the conference; and
- Abstract for a Speed Presentation (3 minutes plus questions) on their project. Note: The abstract text (excluding title, authors, and affiliations) must not exceed 250 words.

Applications are only open for Namibian post-graduate students who are currently enrolled at a recognised tertiary education institution. Application deadline is **3 May 2024**.

Young researchers employed in government ministries, e.g. MEFT, MFMR, MAWLR, and who are enrolled at a tertiary institution for post-graduate studies are encouraged to apply.

Selected students will be notified ASAP. They then need to submit their abstract online on the official conference site by **17 May 2024** and register online for the conference. Failure to do so, will disqualify any applicant.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This is only a pre-selection process. The final selection of abstracts/presentations for the 2024 Annual SAWMA Conference is competitive and handled by an independent scientific committee. Only students who are selected for a presentation by the independent committee will be sponsored for attendance of the conference.