

ICVolunteers in South Africa

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knowledge with needs

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WHO WE ARE?

ICVolunteers is an international non-governmental organization that recruits, trains and coordinates volunteers for non-profit conferences, events and projects. We also offer experienced organizational and management services to event and project coordinators.

ICVolunteers is in particular active in three areas: conference support, cybervolunteerism and language services.

With its headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, ICVolunteers has continued to expand and now has offices and permanent representation in a number of countries, including Mali, Uganda and Spain.

ICVolunteers, in partnership with Volunteer Centre, founded the ICVolunteers South Africa Desk in Cape Town.

ICVolunteers works with a network of 1,500 active volunteers from age 16 to over 80, coming from some 100 countries.

ICVolunteers from Past to Present

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| 1997 | Viola Krebs, Director, recruited our first volunteers, for the 12th World AIDS Conference. | 2004 | A meeting of the International Civil Society Bureau (CSB) of the World Summit on the Information Society in Cape Town |
| 1999 | Success of these initial efforts led Krebs and others to found ICVolunteers. | 2005 | ICVolunteers obtains consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations |
| 2000 | ICVolunteers has mobilized in South Africa volunteers for a number of events, including the XIII International AIDS Conference in Durban | 2006 | ICVolunteers South Africa Desk Officially Launched on International Volunteers Day. |

OUR PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS

ICVolunteers creates opportunities covering a wide variety of interests that benefit both volunteers and public or private entities, non-governmental organizations and international institutions.

Conferences

During Conferences we provide assistance in welcome and logistical services, translation and interpretation, writing and editing articles or conference reports.

Volunteer Exchange Programme

- *Long term:* with projects in Southern Africa and elsewhere in the world (Switzerland, Canada, Mali...): project coordination, translation of documents, online research, fundraising, interpretation...
- *Short term:* in collaboration with our associate members, in particular for event-related projects both at the local and international levels...

CyberVolunteers

We offer through the CyberVolunteering programme internship opportunities ranging from a few weeks to a few months, to new technology experts. Volunteers undertake field projects related to the work, network administration or to the development of software applications. For more information about the programme please visit: <http://cyber.icvolunteers.org>. Current project in Southern Africa: Africa@home, Uganda Bwindi National Park Telecentre, ICT training program for volunteer organizations.



AIDS 2000, held in Durban in 2000, was the first World AIDS Conference happening on the African continent. ICVolunteers took care of the international volunteer team working at the event, including Emmanuel, originally from Congo and now living in Europe, here helping with French interpretation.

