

# Centre for Environmental Management

## Short Learning Programme

### Wetland rehabilitation

The course, presented by the University of the Free State, in association with Piet-Louis Grundling of Ixhaphozi Enviro Services, will cover the processes driving wetland dynamics, and introduce environmental practitioners to various tools that can be used for the monitoring, evaluation, mitigation of degradation and rehabilitation of wetlands. Delegates will be informed of the necessity of strategy and planning, and introduced to relevant policies and legislation. The course will provide exposure to real-life situations and the opportunity for hands-on application of principles in the field.

#### Course content

- An introduction to wetland ecology and functioning, the objectives of wetland rehabilitation, the legal implications of rehabilitation.
- Wetland ecosystem drivers: Factors that disrupt wetland drivers, introduction to Wet-Origin and Wet-Health.
- Wetland rehabilitation: Principles and the effectiveness of various rehabilitation measures, rehabilitation methods and products, introduction to Wet-RehabMethod.
- Rehabilitation monitoring and evaluation: Monitoring and evaluation principles, introduction to Wet-RehabEvaluate.
- Wetland rehabilitation fieldwork will involve practise in mitigation and rehabilitation measures, monitoring and legal implications with reference to case studies.

**Dates:** 25-27 March 2015 (3 days)

**Cost:** R5 500

Study materials and lunch are included, but delegates should make own arrangements for accommodation and other meals

**Venue:** Rietvlei Nature Reserve, Pretoria

**Admission:** National Senior Certificate, National Senior Certificate (Vocational) or an equivalent qualification on NQF level 4.

**Registration:** Please visit <http://www.ufs.ac.za/cemshortcourses> to download a registration form.

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