

The theme of the first ISA World Congress of Sociology in Africa is

**The Quality of Social Existence in a Globalising World.**

A number of special sessions that raise continental issues of global concern are being finalized by the Programme Committee which is preparing the semi-plenary morning sessions that will be of interest to the Association's members, Research Committees, Working and Thematic Groups and National Associations.

Durban provides the international social science community with an opportunity to encounter a society in transition, in a context that is highly cognisant of the importance of social science in reconstruction and development. With its superb facilities and infrastructure, Durban has a proven track record of hosting international events and conferences.

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