

Congress Rental – leaders in conferencing

ADVERTORIAL

For more than 20 years Congress Rental South Africa has prided itself on being the leading supplier of conferencing equipment to sub-Saharan Africa. Our uncompromising commitment to quality and professionalism has allowed us to flourish from our humble beginnings to become the largest congress service provider in sub-Saharan Africa.

Congress Rental is a specialist company which offers the professional conference organiser, venue management, conference co-ordinators and professional organisations the ultimate "one-stop shop" for all their technical, managerial and staff requirements, for all conferences, from a simple public address meeting to the challenges of multi-media, multi-lingual congresses. Along with rentals, Congress Rental also provides a comprehensive service for the permanent installation of state-of-the-art digital or analogue conferencing systems, including assistance from the planning and design phase.

The benefits of working with Congress Rental are numerous, but here are a few to whet your appetite...

EXCELLENT REPUTATION STRETCHING OVER MANY YEARS

Congress Rental is one of the most highly regarded companies in the industry. High quality, state-of-the-art equipment, well trained staff, prompt quote responses and years of experience are *status quo* to Congress Rental. Helping to ensure their customers conferences run smoothly is what sets them apart! To Congress Rental, a little extra means everything.

Here are two testimonials from previous

Congress Rental clients:

"You provided critical support to our team" – Africa Centre 2008

"...my sincere gratitude to you for the high level of commitment, support and loyalty throughout the process" – Department of Foreign Affairs.

A major highlight for Congress Rental was winning the tender, in 2003, for the installation and maintenance of all the multi-media and audio-visual equipment currently used in the Pan African Parliament made up of 265 seats. This contract is ongoing.

PREFERRED CONGRESS SERVICE PROVIDER

Congress Rental was nominated by the Department of Foreign Affairs as the preferred congressing service provider for the Progressive Governance Summit (where Tony Blair was a VIP guest). This summit was the first ever to be held in a developing country. Congress Rental is a preferred service provider to most venues, government departments and international organisations.

STRONG AFRICAN FOOTPRINT

Congress Rental has touched most African countries through its sales and rental departments and is continuously spreading its reach in Africa. Their multi-lingual team can help identify exactly what you require in the language you feel most comfortable, thus facilitating the communication process from your first contact.

Numerous parliamentary halls, across Africa, have been fitted and are maintained by Congress Rental. The combination of our rental

and sales services allows for equipment to be repaired and quickly replaced, without the absence of equipment on-site. Parliamentary systems installed by Congress Rental include: Parliament of Seychelles, Parliament of Botswana, Parliament of Mozambique, North West Legislature (RSA), Western Cape Councils (RSA), United Nations (Rwanda, Tanzania, Ivory Coast, D.R.C.), W.H.O. (Zimbabwe, Ivory Coast, D.R.C.), Eskom Conference Centre (RSA)

INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS

The reach of Congress Rental does not end on the African coastline. Congress Rental was awarded, in 1993, the privilege of becoming one of the 35 members of the global Bosch Congress Rental Network (previously Phillips). Congress Rental is currently the sole African member of this prestigious international group, which bases itself on information sharing and instant world-wide assistance. This membership allows them to remain "in the know" of technological advancements and new approaches to benefit clients.

The Congress Rental Network selects its members on a basis of merit and service quality. This network is constantly enhancing its services to provide you with the best possible equipment and services. Companies are continuously interacting together to ship, fly and deliver to remote venues around the world to satisfy your demands. You can be assured not only of the facilities but also that the people you are dealing with are committed in their excellence. Through their alliance with the CRN, a high level of service and state-of-the-art equipment is guaranteed.

Event managers get interactive with IML

IML recently hosted its second training day at the JSE, specifically aimed at event managers.

This free workshop featured presentations from experienced interactive consultants that were packed full of innovative ideas and included hands-on training, case studies and advice.

Participants experienced first-hand what it's like to be part of an interactive audience and learned everything from how to incorporate interactive text messaging to using interaction to boost teamwork.

Plenty of useful advice was also offered, such as tips on:

- How to effectively manage Q&A sessions.
- How to structure presentations for optimum quality feedback.
- How to identify the best interactive solutions for your conference needs, and;
- The importance of the facilitator's role at a conference.

Lungi Mkhize, from Idea Lab, said the training day was very informative. "It was great to learn more about this innovative technology."



As IML is in the business of interaction, it was only appropriate to also ask participants to rate the session. Participants rated the entire training session (on a scale of 1 to 5) and on average received phenomenal results (4.3).

Formerly known as Audience Alive, IML is still in the business of turning important information into powerful knowledge.

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QUALIFIED AND EXPERIENCED STAFF

A fundamental reason for the continuing success and growth of Congress Rental is its human resources: a committed, experienced and passionate team. Many of the employees at Congress Rental have been with the company for a number of years, some for over 10 years! Congress Rental's staff is trained in-house and abroad on all the technological aspects of the equipment.

WILLING TO DO THAT "LITTLE EXTRA"

Congress Rental is committed to removing all the technological obstacles from a client's mind, through its provision of high quality services and its mantra that a little extra means everything.

With company objectives including providing clients with the best service available in the conferencing market, and aiming to be leaders in simultaneous interpretation by supplying all the

interpretation solutions available, one can easily believe that they will live up to this promise.

REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

Congress Rental is the only organisation in sub-Saharan Africa that repairs and maintains Phillips and Bosch Congress equipment. Systems from the aged CCS600 to the latest DCN Next Generation may be repaired, in the fully equipped technical workshop in Johannesburg, South Africa.

STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY

Congress Rental opts only to use the best technological solutions within the conferencing industry, ensuring clear visual and audio capturing of the conference. All their equipment is interchangeable and due to the use of rechargeable batteries for receivers, Congress Rental is also caring for the environment.

The new wireless system allows increased flexibility and numerous other benefits. The 32 channel interpretation desk can service any conference interpretation needs no matter how large. The DCN Next Generation system has won awards for design and functionality year after year and is the favourite for parliamentary installations.

BEE COMPLIANT

Congress Rental is committed to the policy of empowering staff from previously disadvantaged backgrounds. Congress Rental prides itself in its training techniques, which helps develop an individual's skills from basic school level to qualified technician. They have also paid and assisted a large portion of their staff members to train for and receive their driver's licences.

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Experience conferences with Congress Rental

At Congress Rental a little extra means everything.
Not only supplying you with state-of-the-art equipment, but also helping to make your conference a success with our professionalism and expertise.

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COMPUTER CONNECTION RENTALS

Computer Connection Rentals has been a supplier of media and computer equipment to the conference industry and event organisers for the past nine years.

We pride ourselves on not just a supplier of equipment, but we create an environment that our clients, can feel confident that the IT is taken care of, making the workload burden lighter for the organisers. One call - one solution. Delivering first class service and equipment has been our core focus, and is ongoing.

Our passion for service is reflected in our staff and management, ensuring the best at all times, coupled with this is our 24hr help line, and stand by technicians. We also offer a 2hr swap out facility in the urban areas, should you have a problem.

Computer Connection Rentals has supplied IT solutions to many major and minor conferences. And is ongoing. Dedicated Rental email address: info@it-rentals.co.za

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