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SAAIR 25TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE -SYNOPSIS

Greetings to the SAAIR Community.

Let me first start by extending my deepest gratitude to the association and more specifically the out-going present, Dr Juan-Claude Lemmens for the granted opportunity to attend the informative yet fun-filled conference.

I started off the conference by attending the highly valuable pre-workshop delivered by Mr Angel Calderon from RMIT university and then went on to attend a series of other sessions at the conference.

The 25th SAAIR Conference was well-organised and well-presented. I found the sessions intriguing, provocative and delivered in a way that is also practical.

I furthermore got the opportunity to network with like-minded academics and professionals from all disciplines. This impacted my world-view tremendously. I emanate from a corporate governance background and currently the Governance officer under the Registrar's office at Monash South Africa. I therefore fundamentally found it interesting to note that public institutions are not immune to some challenges that arise for private institutions.

I took away, among others, 50 recommendations that I can personally implement in my area of jurisdiction to ensure that I am an active agent of change. Let me lastly, take this opportunity to congratulate the incoming executive committee. I wish you the best in your endeavour to move the association to greater heights than ever imagined.