# UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE & PLANNING

# **FINAL EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2008** MSc

TITLE OF PAPER

**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND** 

**RESOURCE ECONOMICS** 

**COURSE NUMBER** 

: ERM 601

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TIME ALLOWED

**THREE (3) HOURS** 

INSTRUCTIONS

**ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS** 

ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWERS WITH

APPROPRIATE DIAGRAMS

MARK ALLOCATION : EACH QUESTION CARRIES FIFTY (50)

**MARKS** 

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# **QUESTION 1**

Evaluate the environmental impacts of the tourism sector in any SADC country.

(50 marks)

# **QUESTION 2**

- a) Examine the challenges facing the mining industry in implementing sustainable development requirements in Southern Africa. (25 marks)
- Explore mining environmental policies and legislation in Swaziland and suggest why these policies and legislation often fail to solve mining environmental problems. (25 marks)

(50 marks)

## **QUESTION 3**

- a) With reference to the basic concepts of 'willingness to pay (WTP)' and 'willingness to accept (WTA)', discuss the economic valuation methods of environmental goods and services. (25 marks)
- b) Elucidate the economic and ecological carrying capacity for the revival of grazing management schemes as applied to the pastoral systems in Zimbabwe.

(25 marks)

(50 marks)

### **QUESTION 4**

- a) With reference to specific African countries examine the environmental risks of genetically modified crops. (25 marks)
- b) Examine the challenges of and trends in wildlife management in any SADC country. (25 marks)

(50 marks)

### **END OF EXAM PAPER**





