



PROGRAMME

8 - 10 JUNE 2021 | ONLINE

Programme Director: Thabang Mashigo, Business Strategist & Global Speaker

Opening Keynote Address

09:00 - 09:20 Hon. Buti Manamela, Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology

Keynote Speakers

09:25 - 09:40 Hon. Senzo Mchunu, Minister of Public Service and Administration (Invited)

09:45 - 10:00 Dr Tshepo Mahanuke, CEO, Gauteng Technical Manufacturing Initiative (GTMI)

10:05 - 10:20 Jon Foster-Pedley, Dean & Director, Henley Business School, Africa

10:30 - 11:30 Panel Discussion: Infrastructure Delivery: Restoring the Skills Pipeline in Partnership with the Human Resource Development Council (HRDC)



Facilitator: Brenda Ntombela, Head of Secretariat: Human Resource Development Council (HRDC)

Panelists:

- **Chris Campbell**, CEO, Consulting Engineers South Africa (CESA)
- **Frans Toua**, CEO, Tjeka Training Matters
- **Vishaal Lutchman**, CEO, SAICE

11:35 - 12:35 Skills Development for Sustainable Manufacturing

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Panelists:

- **Raymond Patel**, CEO, Torapa
- **Arafath Cholassery**, Business Development Expert, Manufacturing, India
- **Nokwezi Tshapela**, Founder & CEO, World of Radiance
- **Horst Weinert**, Head of Didactic, Festo Southern and Eastern Africa

12:40 - 13:40 Panel Discussion: Vocational and technical skills as a driver of entrepreneurship and employment

Facilitator: Gizelle McIntyre, Group HR Manager, Nemtek

Panelists:

- **William Mogale**, Departmental Manager: Skills Development and Training, AIDC
- **Yershen Pillay**, CEO, Chemical Industries Education & Training Authority (CHIETA)
- **Abe Oliver**, Programme Manager: Centre of Entrepreneurship| Rapid Incubator, False Bay TVET College
- **Simphiwe Thobela**, Chairperson, MICT Seta



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09:30- 10:30 Panel Discussion: Transitioning from Secondary School to Tertiary Education: How to overcome the articulation gap.

- **Prof. Pieter Steyn**, Principal and Founder, Cranefield College of Project and Programme Management
- **Bennie Anderson**, CEO, The Da Vinci Institute
- **Nthato Selebi**, Project Director: National Projects, SAICA
- **Merritt Watson**, Educational Psychologist
- **Felicity Havenga**, Managing Director, Pinnacle Skills Evolution (Pty) Ltd

10:45 - 11:45 Panel Discussion: Sustainable Technology Start Ups supported by Local and International Partners in Partnership with the Technology Innovation Agency (TIA)



Facilitator: Senisha Moonsamy, Head Innovation Skills & Enterprise Development

Panelists:

- **Dr Mmboneni Muofhe**, DDG, Department of Science and Technology
- **Mpho Mookapele**, CEO, EW Seta
- **Anusha Naicker**, International Youth Foundation (IYF)
- **Excellent Khumalo**, Leaders in Innovation Fellow (LIF)
- **Mukundi Lambani**, Swiss Venture Leader winner
- **Dr Wynand Goosen**, CEO, SkillzBook International

11:50 - 12:50 Panel Discussion: Futureproofing Skills. The World Economic Forum predicts that we will need to reskill more than 1 billion people by 2030, as jobs are transformed by the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

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Panelists:

- **Luvuyo Rani**, Founder & Managing Director, Silulo Ulutho Technologies
- **Antoinette Oglethorpe**, Director, Antoinette Oglethorpe
- **Valter Adão**, Singularity University, Faculty Member, Singularity University Africa
- **Prof. Sibusiso Moyo**, Deputy Vice Chancellor: Research, Innovation & Engagement, Durban University of Technology (DUT)
- **Dr Makamba Makaziwe**, 4IR Research Expert and Board member at Eastern Cape Development Corporation

13:00 - 14:00 Panel Discussion: SMMEs at the heart of Economic Recovery - do they possess the right skills?

Facilitator: Abongile Nzelenzele, MD, Nzelenzele Communications

Panelists:

- **Waseem Carrim**, CEO, National Youth Development Agency
- **Zakhele Mgobhozi**, Founder, Modern Centric
- **Truman Hadebe**, Executive Chairman & CEO, The Supply Chain Academy- SCA Global
- **Nizenande Machi**, Co-Founder, Lucha Lunako
- **Abe Oliver**, Programme Manager: Centre of Entrepreneurship| Rapid Incubator, False Bay TVET College



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09:00 - 09:20 Sharon van den Heever, National Chairman, Association for Skills Development in South Africa (ASDSA)

09:25 - 10:25 Panel Discussion: As populations increase, it is important that the youth of today and tomorrow own the skills they need to build a competitive and resilient agriculture sector.

Panelists:

- **Precious Greehy**, Regional Gender Inclusivity and Youth Advisor, Solidaridad Network
- **Nontekozo Ngcobo**, Manager, Midlands Entrepreneurship Centre
- **Dr Michael Charles**, Head of Southern Africa Cluster, IFRC Southern Africa
- **Wandile Sihlobo**, Chief Economist, Agricultural Business Chamber of South Africa (Agbiz)

10:35 - 11:35 Panel Discussion: The Value of Skills Development and Mentorship in Partnership with Mashobane Advisory Services



Facilitator: Anastasia Machobane, Group CEO, Mashobane Group

Panelists:

- **Lungile Mabece**, Managing Director, Bulumko Corporate Law Advisers and Consultants
- **Dr Pulane Molokwane**, Founder, Oloenviron (Pty) Ltd.
- **Yvette Hardie**, National Director, ASSITEJ South Africa
- **Ellis Levember**, CEO, SEOBI

11:40 - 12:40 Panel Discussion: Skills Development in the Mining Sector

Facilitator: Dionne Kerr, CEO, Siyakha Consulting

Panelists:

- **Ogi Williams**, Associate Director, In On Africa (IOA)
- **Andrew Van Zyl**, Director and Principal Consultant, SRK Consulting
- **Tsietsi Molai**, Managing Director, Emor Mining

