



**LEVERAGING  
4IR FOR VET IN  
SOUTH AFRICA**

**AN UNCONFERENCE ON SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT THROUGH PUBLIC-PRIVATE COOPERATION**

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LEVERAGING 4IR FOR VET IN SOUTH AFRICA**

29-30 OCTOBER 2019 **JOHANNESBURG**

HB CONNECT, 165 WEST ST, SANDOWN, SANDTON

# AGENDA

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# UNCONFERENCE LEVERAGING 4IR FOR VET IN SOUTH AFRICA

## DAY 1 – 29 OCTOBER 2019

### 8:30 – 9:00 ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION

Light breakfast and DIY tech interaction

### 9:00 – 9:10 WELCOME ADDRESS

Mr Christian Grün, Head of Cooperation (Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany)

### 9:10 – 9:25 FRAMING UNCONFERENCE/ TRANSFER-IN

Moderators

### 9:25 – 9:45 LIVE PLENARY- Disruptive technology experience

Mr Steve Gray - The Makerspace

### 9:45 – 10:50 KEY NOTE ADDRESS

Mr. Sizwe Nxasana - South African business executive and accountant, former CEO of Telkom Group and FirstRand Group and founder of Sifiso Learning Group

#### PANEL DISCUSSION

- Mrs. Aruna Singh - Acting DDG TVET Branch, DHET - tbc
- Prof. Stephanie Allais - Professor of Education at the Centre for Researching Education and Labour at Wits University
- Mr. Afrika Mkhangala - President of Youth Economic Alliance
- Mr. Nivesh Lutchman - Education Manager Siemens

### 10:50 – 11:00 INTRODUCTION TO TECH CAROUSEL AND DIGGING DEEPER SESSIONS

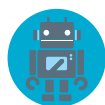
### 11:00 – 12:00 TECH CAROUSEL (including tea and coffee)

Engagement with technologies to ignite discussions

### 12:00 – 13:30 FIRST ROUND: DIGGING DEEPER SESSIONS



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**The changing world of work and its impact on training content:** How can the content of vocational education and training be augmented to a rapidly changing world of work, that takes cognisance of both current and future work requirements



**Leveraging the power of digital and other tools to enhance training delivery and assessment processes:** How can advances in technology provide new methods and modes of training delivery contributing to greater insight and better understanding towards more efficient and effective learning



**Improving the transitioning from VET to the world of work – use of technology to navigate different pathways:** Can technologies and digital tools make it easier for young people to transition from education and training to employment. How can they navigate different pathways to facilitate engagement in the economy, including enabling self-employment



**Leveraging the power of technology to enhance the capacity building of VET personnel:** How can new innovations, and technologies be utilized to improve the training of personnel in Vocational Education to facilitate their ease of using these technologies to enhance VET delivery

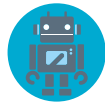
### 13:30 – 14:00 LUNCH

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### 14:00 – 15:30 SECOND ROUND: DIGGING DEEPER SESSIONS



**Implementing agile, demand led training and development as pathways to employment:** How can flexible, responsive mechanisms be utilised to build the capabilities and skills of young people, and enable them to be connected to different pathways aligned to the requirements of the 21st century (both technical and transversal education and training)



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- 15:30 – 16:30
- PLENARY ROUND-UP AND OUTLOOK
  - CONCLUSIONS OF THE DAY &
  - INTRODUCTION TO THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE INNOVATION LABS FOR DAY 2

16:30 END OF DAY 1

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**DAY 2 – 30 OCTOBER 2019**

- 8:30 – 9:00** ARRIVAL & LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS  
Light breakfast
- 9:00 – 9:15** RECAP FROM DAY 1  
Plenary
- 9:15 – 9:45** #FUTURE4ARTISANS CONTEST UNLAUNCH  
Skills Development for a Green Economy & Partners
- 9:45 – 10:15** PUBLIC-PRIVATE INNOVATION LABS: ON THE ROAD TO THE HRDC SKILLS SUMMIT 2020
- 10:15 – 11:45** PUBLIC-PRIVATE INNOVATION LABS: PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE INITIATIVES TO STRENGTHEN VET
- 11:45 – 12:00** TEA & COFFEE BREAK
- 12:00 – 13:30** PLENARY PRESENTATIONS: THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE INNOVATION LABS' PROPOSALS
- 13:30 – 13:45** PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENTS TO HRDC
- 13:45 – 14:15** UNCONFERENCE FEEDBACK
- 14:15 – 14:30** UNCONFERENCE CLOSURE  
GIZ Country Director for South Africa, eSwatini and Kingdom of Lesotho  
Mr. Martin Weiss
- 14:30** LUNCH AND DEPARTURES

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