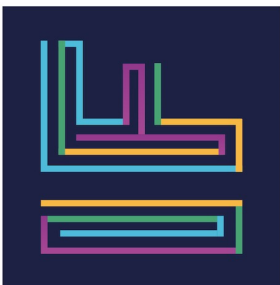


INNOVATION FESTIVAL DURBAN



29 November 2022
Hilton Umhlanga Inn

Hour	Timeslot	Item	Session Information
08:00	08:00 - 08:30	Arrivals	
	08:30 - 09:15	KEYNOTES: Welcoming Address	
09:00	09:15 - 10:00	KEYNOTE: THE NEXT BIG THING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What does the next big look like? - What do we do as a nation or continent when we are in the dichotomy of the past (3rd Industrial Revolution) and the future (4th Industrial Revolution) - What are the threats to the economy of staying in this dichotomy? - Innovation as the bridge to transition to the next big thing ?
	10:00 - 10:15	Program Filler	
10:00	10:15 - 10:30	EXPO Walk- Through	
	10:30 - 10:45	MORNING TEA	
	10:45 - 11:30	Masterclass: Design Thinking Principles	Design Thinking a turnaround tool to successfully transition into the Next Big Thing with relevant economic, start-up support policy and VC/private sector participation turnaround examples
	11:00 - 11:30	KEYNOTE: Innovation Publication Launch	Launch Presentation of the 2022 Innovation Publication
12:00	12:00 - 12:15	Program Filler	
	12:15 - 13:00	PANEL DISCUSSION: Future Skills	<p>New career openings with the progression of the 4th industrial revolution and the skills or competencies required for jobs represented</p> <p>How automation and job creation go hand in hand?</p> <p>What is the readiness of our education system as South Africa not to be a importer of skills in digital/innovative economy?</p>
13:00	13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH & EXPO VIEWING	
14:00	14:00 - 14:45	PANEL DISCUSSION: Research - Leveraging on Data for Open Innovation	Panel discussion discussing open data. We will take a deeper look open date and how the availability of data as a recourse can entrench and stimulate open innovation and the positive impact this can have in the larger socio-economic landscape.
	14:45 - 15:00	Program filler	
15:00	15:00 - 15:45	PANEL DISCUSSION Funding Gaps - Inclusivity of public and private funders to bridge funding gaps.	"Valley of Death Defined: A phase that defines when a startup's continued development is hindered through a lack of middle tier funding and support. This is when a significant increase in investment is required to proceed for product development, enhancement, piloting or testing and not receiving it makes the risk of failure more likely to outweigh potential future return. Can more inclusive funding models that ensure high potential impact to start-ups make it possible for them to move beyond the "valley of death"?
	15:45 - 15:00	AFTERNOON TEA	
16:00	16:00 - 16:15	KEYNOTE: Funding Map Launch	Launch Presentation of the Innovation Dashboards
	16:15 - 16:30	Closure	
	16:30 - 16:45		
	16:45 - 17:00		