

# Economic Outlook 2019



Economic stagnation requires action, but will it be delivered in an election year or will the system continue to crack? Beyond the obvious headlines and current rhetoric, this conference examines the fundamentals, opportunities, inherent weaknesses and prospects for the South African economy in 2019.



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# Programme agenda

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07:50 – 08:20	Registration and arrival refreshments
08:20 – 08:30	<a href="#">Welcome and Opening Remarks by Conference Moderator</a> <b>Professor Adrian Saville</b> , founder and chief executive, Cannon Asset Managers (Pty) Ltd & Professor in Economics, Finance and Strategy, GIBS
08:30 – 09:30	<a href="#">What Does a Successful Tax Regime Look Like in SA</a> <b>Judge Dennis Davis</b> , High Court judge
09:30 – 10:45	<a href="#">Economic Landscape 2019</a> <b>Annabel Bishop</b> , chief economist, Investec <b>Gina Schoeman</b> , SA economist, Citibank Global Economics team <b>Dr Thabi Leoka</b> , economic strategist, Argon Asset Management <b>Dr Azar Jammie</b> , director and chief economist, Econometrix
10:45 – 11:00	Tea
11:00 – 12:10	<a href="#">Political Landscape 2019: An Election Year</a> <b>Stephen Grootes</b> , political commentator and award-winning journalist in conversation with: <b>Ann Bernstein</b> , executive director, Centre for Development and Enterprise <b>Professor Tinyiko Maluleke</b> , professor, Centre for Policy study, University of Pretoria. Political Analyst <b>Prince Mashele</b> , author and political analyst <b>Ndoni Mcunu</b> , CEO, Black Women in Science (BWIS)
12:10 – 12:50	Lunch
12:50 – 14:00	<a href="#">Business Landscape 2019</a> <b>Professor Nicola Kleyn</b> , dean, GIBS in conversation with: <b>Tanya Cohen</b> , CEO, Business Unity South Africa [BUSA] <b>Dennis George</b> , general secretary, Fedusa <b>Michael Sassoon</b> , CEO, Sasfin Holdings <b>Lungisa Fuzile</b> , chief executive, Standard Bank <b>Themba Baloyi</b> , CEO, Discovery Insure
14:00 – 14:40	<a href="#">Unpacking the Land Debate</a> <b>Professor Ruth Hall</b> , Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS). Faculty, Economic and Management Sciences, University of the Western Cape
14:40 – 15:00	Tea
15:00 – 15:45	<a href="#">Geopolitics, China and Africa: Impact on Investment</a> <b>Dr Seamus Duggan</b> , senior analyst, Control Risks <b>Kobus van der Wath</b> , founder & group managing director, Axis Group International / The Beijing Axis
15:45 – 16:30	<a href="#">Attracting Investment and its Impact on Growth</a> <b>Jacko Maree</b> , chairman, Liberty Group. Envoy of Investments to the President
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