

Orange Stage - Conference Program

8th July 2025 - Tuesday

Session	Time	Agenda	Supporting Partner
Session 1	12.00 - 13.00	Fabric of Change: Textile Waste Solutions for a Sustainable Africa	International Solid Waste Association (ISWA)
	13.00 - 14.00	Lunch Break	
Session 2	14.00 - 15.00	Overcoming Challenges and Unlocking Solutions in Water Infrastructure Investment	Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)
	15.00 - 15.15	Session Transition & Refresh Break	
Session 3	15.15 - 16.15	The Role of Local Communities in driving a Circular Economy in the Waste Management sector	German Chamber of Commerce (AHK) & German RETech Partnership e.V.

9th July 2025 - Wednesday

Session	Time	Agenda	Supporting Partner
Session 1	11.00 - 12.00	Advancing the Biogas Sphere in Southern Africa and Beyond	Southern African Biogas Industry Association (SABIA)
	12.00 - 12.15	Session Transition & Refresh Break	
Session 2	12.15 - 13.15	Making EPR Work in SADC and East Africa: From Policy to Practice	German RETech Partnership e.V. and GreenForest Solutions GmbH
	13.15 - 14.00	Lunch Break	
Session 3	14.00 - 15.00	Unlocking Sustainable Waste Management Models in Nigeria through Circular Economy	Association of Waste Managers of Nigeria (AWAMN)
	15.00 - 15.15	Session Transition & Refresh Break	
Session 4	15.15 - 16.15	Transforming the Waste Management Sector in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	National Center for Waste Management (MWAN) Saudi Arabia

10th July 2025 - Thursday

Session	Time	Agenda	Supporting Partner
Session 1	11.00 - 12.00	Upstream Prevention, Downstream Innovation: A Circular Approach to Food Waste and Loss	African Circular Economy Network (ACEN) and Circular South Africa (CSA)
	12.00 - 12.15	Session Transition & Refresh Break	
Session 2	12.15 - 13.15	Collaborative Action for EPR: Building Stronger Partnerships Across the Value Chain	Circular Energy
	13.15 - 14.00	Lunch Break	
Session 3	14.00 - 15.00	Making the Case for Transitioning from Open Dumpsites to Sanitary Landfills	International Solid Waste Association (ISWA)
	15.00 - 15.15	Session Transition & Refresh Break	
Session 4	15.15 - 16.15	The role of engineering in sustainable waste management	Institute of Waste Management of Southern Africa (IWMSA)

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09.00 - 10.30 Welcome / VIP Gathering

10.30 - 12.00 Inauguration Ceremony

12.00 - 13.00 **Session 1**
Supporting Partner: International Solid Waste Association (ISWA)

Title: Fabric of Change: Textile Waste Solutions for a Sustainable Africa

Session Moderator:

- Gamuchirai Mutezo
Founder and CEO, Madam Waste

Panelists:

- Kgauta Mokoena
Chief Director: Chemicals and Waste Policy, Monitoring and Evaluation Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment in South Africa
- Mothusi Mohutsiwa
Government Representative of Botswana
- Jesse Naidoo
Founder, Clothes to Good
- Ridhwana Shaik
Founder, Green Start Ideas

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 - 15.00 **Session 2**
Supporting Partner: Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)

Title: Overcoming Challenges and Unlocking Solutions in Water Infrastructure Investment

Session Moderator:

- Thabo Kabini
Senior Specialist: Water Infrastructure
Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)

Panellist:

- **Johann Lubbe**
Head: Water Partnerships Office
Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA), Water Partnership office
- **Keitumetse Molatlwa**
Coverage Banker: Public Sector
ABSA Group Limited
- **Zaid Railoun**
Specialist: Power and Sustainable Solutions
Standard Bank
- **Tsakani Manyike**
Acting Head: Infrastructure SBU
Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)

15.00 – 15.15

Changeover Break

15.15 – 16.15

Session 3

Supporting Partner: Southern African-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry and German RETech Partnership e.V.

Title: The role of local communities in driving a circular economy in the waste management sector

Session Moderator:

- **Rishel Dharmapall**
Sector Expert- Circular Economy | Africa Business Network
on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action

Session Moderator:

- **Beatrice Decker**
Head of International Affairs & Project Engineering
German RETech Partnership e.V.

Panellist:

- **Christian Dinter**
General Manager, Rodiek & Co. GmbH
- **Giuliano Quattrocchio**
Representative North West Africa, Compost Systems GmbH
- **Tracey Chambers**
Co-founder and CEO, Taking Care of Business (TCB)

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11.00 – 12.00

Session 1

Supporting Partner: Southern African Biogas Industry Association (SABIA)

Title: Advancing the Biogas Sphere in Southern Africa and Beyond

Session Moderator:

- David Cornish
SABIA Treasurer
Southern African Biogas Industry Association (SABIA)

Panellist:

- Mr. Gordon Ayres
SABIA Secretary
Southern African Biogas Industry Association (SABIA)
- Mr. Kondwani Banda
SABIA Board Member
Southern African Biogas Industry Association (SABIA)
- Mr. Mark Templeton
SABIA Board Member
Southern African Biogas Industry Association (SABIA)
- Mr. Dennis Thiel
SABIA Board Member
Southern African Biogas Industry Association (SABIA)
- Dr. Gamuchirai Mutezo
CEO & Founder
Madam Waste
- Mr. Andre Siebert
Director
Tightrope Integrated Services Group
- Mr. Darius Boshoff
Owner & Founder
Energidrop

12.00 – 12.15

Changeover Break

12.15 – 13.15

Session 2

Supporting Partner: German RETech Partnership e.V and GreenForest Solutions GmbH

Title: Making EPR work in SADC and East Africa: From Policy to Practice

Session Moderator:

- Mpendulo Ginindza
Head of Safety, Health, Environment and Quality & Enterprise Risk Management
Mintek

Panellist:

- Roy Mabila
Operations Manager
Eco-Buzz Waste Management
- Balanganani Nengovhela
Specialist in Solid Waste Management
South African Local Government Association
- Susan Kone
Managing Director
PWK Waste Management and Recycling
- Kgauta Mokoena
Chief Director: Chemicals and Waste Policy, Specialist
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment in South Africa

13.15 – 14.00

Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.00

Session 3

Supporting Partner: Association of Waste Managers in Nigeria (AWAMN)

Title: Unlocking sustainable waste management models in Nigeria through Circular Economy

Session Moderator:

- Dr. Olugbenga Adebola
National President, Association of Waste Managers of Nigeria (AWAMN) & IFAT Africa Advisory Board member

Panellist:

- **Sen. Ademola Jackson Nurudeen Adeleke**
Executive Governor of Osun State
- **Prof. Baba Gala Umara Zulum**
Executive Governor of Borno State
- **Dr. Peter Ndubuisi Mbah**
Executive Governor of Enugu State.
- **Prof. Chinwe Obuaku-Igwe**
Osun State Lead Consultant on Climate Change & Renewable Energy
- **Dr. Olumuyiwa Gbadegesin**
MD/CEO, Lagos Waste Management Authority (LAWMA)
- **Beatrice Decker**
Head of International affairs & Project Engineering
German Recycling Technologies and Waste Management Partnership e.V

15.00 – 15.15

Changeover Break

15.15 – 16.15

Session 4

Supporting Partner: National Center for Waste Management (MWAN)

Title: Transforming the Waste Management Sector in the Kingdom of Arabia

Session Moderator:

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Panellists:

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Session 1

Supporting Partner: African Circular Economy Network (ACEN) and Circular South Africa (CSA)

Title: Upstream Prevention, Downstream Innovation: A Circular Approach to Food Waste and Loss

Session Moderator:

- Katharina Gihring
COO, African Circular Economy Network (ACEN)

Panellists:

- Andy du Plessis
Managing Director, FoodForwardSA
- Aluwani Nemukula
Agro-Processing Researcher, Agricultural Research Council (ARC)
- Daniel M Motshwane
Founder & CEO, Afrique Rising Trading
- Linda Manyeza
Founder, Food Masters Africa
- Onicca Mapula Sibanyoni
Founder and Managing Director
Jwale Farms Pty Ltd

12.00 – 12.15

Changeover Break

12.15 – 13.15

Session 2

Supporting Partner: Circular Energy

Title: Collaborative Action for EPR: Building Stronger Partnerships Across the Value Chain

Session Moderator:

- Patricia Schroder
Chief Executive Officer, Circular Energy NPC

Panellist:

- **Lucille Charles**
General Manager, EPR Waste Association of South Africa (eWASA)
- **Balanganani Nengovhela**
South African Local Government Association (SALGA)
- **Steffen Schroder**
Managing Director, Reclite SA (Pty) Ltd
- **Kgauta Mokoena**
Chief Directorate, Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE)
- **Ronell Supermanien**
Business Operations Manager, Circular energy NPC
- **Mpendulo Ginindza**
Non-Executive Director, Circular Energy NPC

13.00 - 14.00

Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.00

Session 3

Supporting Partner: International Solid Waste Association (ISWA)

Title: Making the Case for Transitioning from Open Dumpsites to Sanitary Landfills

Session Moderator:

- **Siphesihle Nsibandze**
Councillor & Deputy Mayor, Matsapha Town Council

Panellist:

- **Linda Godfrey**
Manager: Circular Innovation South Africa
Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)
- **Kgauta Mokoena**
Chief Director: Chemicals and Waste Policy, Monitoring and Evaluation, Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment in South Africa
- **Mothusi Mohutsiwa**
Government Representative of Botswana

- **Musa Sibandze**
Chief Health Inspector
Municipal Council Of Manzini
- **Mxolisi Maphanga**
Director Environmental Assessment & Compliance
Eswathi Environment Authority
- **Velaphi Mabiletsa**
Director: Intergrated Planning And Waste Strategy, City of Cape Town
- **Deji Fawole**
Senior Project Manager, SCS Engineers

15.00 – 15.15 **Change over Break**

15.15 – 16.15 **Session 4**
Supporting Partner: Institute of Waste Management of Southern Africa (IWMSA)

Title: The critical role of engineering in sustainable waste management.

Session Moderator:

- **Silke Geldenhuys**
Pr Eng Civil Engineer, Jones & Wagener

Panellist:

- **Kobus Otto**
Director, Kobus Otto & Associates Waste Management Consultants.
- **Johann Le Roux**
Co-Founder and Director at MineLock (Pty) Ltd
- **Mandla Thwala**
Operations Manager, EnviroServ