

30th SAAIR Conference 2023

23-26 October 2023

Future-Forward Higher Education: The Next 30 Years

Hosted by Stellenbosch University

Venue: Lord Charles, Somerset West, Western Cape

Draft Programme

23 October 2023		
Pre-Conference Workshops		
8:00-8:30	Registration and tea	
8:30-9:00	Opening and Welcome	Dr Barbara Pool , Senior Director, Department for Strategic Initiatives & Information Governance, Stellenbosch University
9:00-12:30	Pre-Conference Workshop 3 Venue: Lord Charles Hotel Title: Sustainability Education: Think, Care, Do	Dr Nicolene Murdoch GAICD PFHEA Pro Vice-Chancellor: Educational Partnerships and Quality Western Sydney University, Sydney Australia
	<p>At Western Sydney University (WSU), a critical aspect of our commitment to sustainability is to develop and deliver sustainability literate graduates. Our CORE framework (Curriculum, Operations, Research and Engagement) is incomplete if we don't continuously work on embedding the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into our curriculum content and assessment. Our students learn about sustainability applied to different disciplines and in this way, they are better prepared and equipped for the complexities they will encounter when they enter the world of work in any industry. Some of this is embedded in existing curriculum, and in other instances, we develop programs and learning activities that contribute to the SDGs (or a single SDG).</p> <p>The purpose of the workshop is to explore the key concepts of Sustainability Education as a pedagogical approach resulting in all graduates developing capabilities to lead within their professions and society. The workshop will draw on the experience of curriculum transformation and renewal projects at WSU to develop resilient and sustainability literate graduates across different disciplines, programs and micro-credentials.</p>	
09:00-10:30	Pre-Conference Workshop 2 Venue: Lord Charles Hotel Title: To be Confirmed	To be confirmed
11:00-12:30	Pre-Conference Workshop 1 Venue: Lord Charles Hotel Title: To be confirmed	To be confirmed
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00	End of day	

Day 1: 24 October 2023		
08:00-09:00	Tea and Registration	
	Plenary Session 1: Main venue Chair: René Robbertze & Prof Ian Cloete, Stellenbosch University	
09:00-09:15	Welcome Remarks by SAAIR President	Ms. Liile Lekena , SAAIR President and Director: Strategic Planning in the Directorate of Institutional Planning and Research at the Mangosuthu University of Technology (MUT)
09:15-09:25	Welcome and introduction of Vice-Chancellor: Stellenbosch University	Prof Hester Klopper , Deputy-Vice Chancellor: Strategy, Global and Corporate Affairs at Stellenbosch University
09:25-09:40	Opening of Conference	Prof Wim De Villiers , Vice-Chancellor: Stellenbosch University
09:40-09:45	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Prof Ian Cloete , past Senior Director: Division for Information Governance
09:45-10:30	First Keynote Address	Prof Karen Webber , Professor emerita in the Institute of Higher Education at the University of Georgia; and the current AIR President
10:30-11:00	Sponsor 1 presentation	To be confirmed
11:00-11:15	Question and Answer session	
11:15-11:30	Morning Tea Break	
11:30-11:35	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	René Robbertze , Stellenbosch University
11:35-12:30	Second Keynote Address	Prof Ian Cloete , past Senior Director: Division for Information Governance
12:30-13:00	Conference Delegates Networking	
13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
	Parallel Sessions	
14:00-16:45	Session: Sub-theme: To be confirmed	Session: Sub-theme: To be confirmed
16:45	End of day 1	
17:00-20:00	Social gathering	
Day 2: 25 October 2023		
08:00-09:00	Tea and Registration	
	Plenary Session 2: Main Venue Chair: René Robbertze & Prof Ian Cloete, Stellenbosch University	
09:00-09:10	Welcome Remarks Chairperson	Dr Barbara Pool , Senior Director, Department for Strategic Initiatives & Information Governance, Stellenbosch University
09:10-09:15	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Ms René Robbertze , Stellenbosch University
09:15-10:00	Third Keynote Address <i>Title: An integrated approach to sustainability and resilience: Lessons from Western Sydney University's journey to being #1 in the world</i>	Dr Nicolene Murdoch GAICD PFHEA Pro Vice-Chancellor: Educational Partnerships and Quality Western Sydney University, Sydney Australia
10:00-10:30	Sponsor presentation 2	To be confirmed

10:30-10:45	Questions and Answer session	
10:45-11:00	Morning Tea Break and Conference Photograph Session	
	Venue: Main Venue	
	Session 2.2: SAAIR AGM	
11:00-12:30	SAAIR AGM	Ms. Liile Lekena , SAAIR President & the SAAIR Exco
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
	Parallel Sessions	
14:00-16:45	Session: Sub-theme: To be confirmed	Session: Sub-theme: To be confirmed
16:45	End of Day 2	
18:00-22:00	Gala Dinner Venue: Lord Charles	Dress Code: Formal
Day 3: 26 October 2023		
08:00-09:00	Registration and Tea	
	Plenary Session 3: Main Venue SAAIR President and Director Strategic Planning, Mangosuthu University of Technology	
09:00-09:10	Welcome Remarks Chairperson	Ms Liile Lekena , SAAIR President and Director Strategic Planning: Directorate of Institutional Planning and Research Mangosuthu University of Technology
09:10-09:15	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Prof Ian Cloete , past Senior Director: Division for Information Governance
09:15-10:00	Fourth Keynote Address	Dr Iman Megahed , the AVP for Digital Transformation, Chief Strategy and Knowledge Officer at the American University in Cairo (AUC).
10:00-10:30	Sponsor presentation 3	To be confirmed
10:30-10:45	Questions and Answer session	
10:45-11:00	Morning Tea Break	
	Parallel Session	
11:00-13:00	Session: Sub-theme: To be confirmed	Session: Sub-theme: To be confirmed
13:00-13:30	Conference closure	
14:00	Lunch & departure	