



REIMAGINING OUR FUTURE - ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOR A JUST TRANSITION

21.9.2020 (10h00-13h00)

In the wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic, innovative solutions are required by countries to reach their developmental goals and address the rising unemployment crisis.

Just transition is about promoting economic renewal, new skills and new job opportunities. It ensures we are leaving no-one behind and it makes it possible for all regions to tap the benefits of a greener, fairer, more resilient future.

Join us for this online public event to share ideas, experiences and information about new tools to advance just transition approaches as part of just and green recovery efforts within South Africa and mobilising the South Africa-EU strategic partnership.

Programme:

10h00-10h40 High level opening Session: Double challenge or double opportunity: Just and green recovery and Just transition?

Moderator: Fatou Leigh, Economic Policy Advisory and Research, Strategic Plans Formulation and M&E. Promotion of Inclusive Growth and sustainable human development, UNDP

10h00-10h10 Norbert Gorißen, Deputy Director-General "International Policy" in the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety

10h10-10h20 H.E. Marc Vanheukelen, EU Ambassador at large for Climate Diplomacy, Former EU Ambassador to the WTO

10h20-10h30 Mactavish Makwarela, Director, Climate Change Mitigation Policy, Regulation and Planning at Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries

10h30-10h40 Joanne Yawitch, CEO National Business Initiative

10h40-11h20 Rethinking the future: pathways and options from a just and green recovery and just transition to long-term climate-friendly world

Moderator: Gaylor Montmasson-Clair, Senior Economist at TIPS

10h40-10h45 European Commission DG ENER video about European coal regions in transition experiences, narrated by Mrs Aleksandra Tomczak

10h45-10h50 Steve Nicholls, NBI on collaboration with Business South Africa on just transition pathways for competitiveness

10h50-10h55 Mandy Rambharos, Head: Eskom Just Energy Transition Office at Eskom Holdings on Business transition perspectives:

10h55-11h00 Siyanda Siko, International Labour Organisation on Global perspectives

11h00-11h05 Matthew Hlabane, Green Revolution, Social movement perspective

11h05-11h20 Discussion and Q&A

11h25-12h05 Launch of the Indalopreneur Bootcamp J-TEP, Indalo Inclusive

Moderator: Luvuyo Madasa, Executive Director of Reimagine SA NPC, a Public Benefit Organization rooted in the philosophy of Ubuntu, that works to make the gains of democracy real for all living in SA

- Rest Kanju, Indalo Inclusive Director

- Jenitha Badu, Driving forces for change program, Department of Environment, Forest and fisheries

- King Solomon Gamede, Youth SAIIA

- Stuart Bartlett, Head of Partnerships and Programme Development, IDC

- Q&A

12h05-12h55 Just Transition/Just and green recovery opportunities for: skills, jobs and territories

Moderator: Gaylor Montmasson-Clair, Senior Economist at TIPS

- Nkosinathi Nkonyane, Mpumalanga Province representative

- Naim Rassool, founding Director of SARETEC (South African Renewable Energy Technology Centre) a specialised renewable energy training centre housed at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT) in Cape Town, South Africa.

- Short video Robert Pollock, Senior Advisor of the platform of the European Regions in transition experiences from Midlands, Ireland and Asturias, Spain

- Dr. Chris Ettmayr, East London Industrial Development Zone: Just transition, jobs and innovation

- Carl Bernadac, Agency Francaise Development, Partnership with municipalities

- Dimitris Tsekeris, WWF, Greece and Desislava Mikova, Climate and energy campaigner, Greenpeace Bulgaria

- Q&A

12h55-13h00 Closing remarks and consolidation

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