



PROGRAMME →

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Mid-Tier Businesses: Catalysts for Economic Growth

MONDAY, 05 MAY 2025

Arrival & Registration

08:00 – 08:50

Guest registration and networking

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Guests to be Seated

08:50 – 09:00

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Welcome & Introduction by Thabo Makama

09:00 – 09:15

Founder and CEO of T. Makama & Partners (TMP Africa)

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Opening Address by Sindi Zilwa

09:15 – 09:30

Retired Entrepreneur, Author, Chartered Accountant (SA) and Chartered Director (SA)

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Policy Panel Discussion Including Q&A

09:30 – 10:10

Resetting the Playbook: Rethinking Policy to Supercharge Mid-Tier Transformation **moderated by Thabo Makama**

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DTIC Deputy Minister Zuko Godlimpi Address

10:10 – 10:25

DTIC (Department of Trade, Industry & Competition)

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Policy Panel Discussion Deputy Minister Zuko Godlimpi

10:25 – 10:35

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Keynote Conversation: Deputy Minister Zuko Godlimpi & Thabo Makama

10:35 – 10:45

Transformation and Master Plans update. The importance of Economic Development Funds and what DTIC is currently doing.

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Industry & Business Panel Discussion including Q&A

10:45 – 11:25

The Missing Middle: Unleashing the Power of Mid-Tier Enterprises for Inclusive Economic Growth **moderated by Thabo Makama**

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Open Floor Discussion

11:25 – 11:45

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Closing Remarks by Professor Bonang Mohale

11:45 – 12:00

Author, Chancellor of University of Free State, Former BUSA President, Professor at Johannesburg Business School, Sherpa of Values 20 (V20) for the 2025 Group of Twenty (G20)

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