

## PROGRAMME

# Young Scholars Programme

## Induction day

7 December 2019  
Sheraton Pretoria Hotel  
Pretoria, South Africa

- 08:45 **Registration**
- 09:00 Introduction to SA-TIED and YSP  
Sonja Heikkinen & Amina Ebrahim
- 09:30 The tax administrative datasets  
Amina Ebrahim
- 10:00 **Tea break**
- 10:30 Enterprise development for job creation and growth  
John Rand
- 10:45 Public revenue mobilization for inclusive development  
Jukka Pirttilä
- 11:00 Macroeconomic modelling for policy formulation  
Laurence Harris
- 11:15 Turning the tide on inequality  
Murray Leibbrandt
- 11:30 Climate change and energy transition as drivers of change  
Channing Arndt (TBC)
- 11:45 Regional growth for southern Africa's prosperity  
John Page
- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 13:00 Breakout sessions [1A, 1B, 1C]
- 15:00 **Tea break**
- 15:45 Breakout sessions [2A, 2B, 2C]
- 17:45 Closing remarks  
Rob Davies
- 18:00 **Closure**

### 13:00 Breakout Session 1A

Facilitators: John Rand, John Page, & Jukka Pirttilä

Examining youth unemployment in South Africa  
Grace Bridgman

Wage subsidy participation — the connection between theory and evidence from South  
Daniel Brink

Effects of labour immigration on per capita income growth and unemployment  
David Nyagweta

The impact of export concentration and export diversification on economic growth  
Sibusisiwe Mchani

Market entry — The impact of online platforms in the tourism sector  
Julius Nyamwena

### 13:00 Breakout Session 1B

Facilitators: Laurence Harris & Rob Davies

How ease of doing business affects economic growth in SSA  
Jackline Muhanika

Public debt-economic growth nexus  
Ongezwa Ngotana

Macroeconomic policy and growth — Influence of US monetary policy on South Africa's economy  
Aluncedo Ntshunsha

Expenditure ceiling on public service wage bill and economic growth — A non linear autoregressive distributed lag model approach  
Chuma Mbaleki

The manufacturing sector FDI and economic growth in South Africa  
Nwabisa Kolisi

**13:00 Breakout Session 1C**

Facilitators: Murray Leibbrandt & Channing Arndt (TBC)

Measuring women empowerment in selected Southern African countries  
Thandeka Nyathi

The influence of household composition on leisure time in South Africa  
— A gender comparison  
Priyanka Harrichurran

A decomposition analysis of health poverty trends in South Africa  
Lutendo Maiwashe

Health and labour market outcomes — Substance use and labour market  
nexus in South Africa  
Lateef Bello

Funda Wande in-service coaching impact evaluation  
Christiaan Meiring

**15:45 Breakout Session 2A**

Facilitators: John Rand, John Page, & Jukka Pirttilä

Technical progress — Acquisition of technological capabilities through  
SEZs in South Africa  
Apoti Potye

Regional integration and trade in Africa's regional economic communities  
Chanelle Usher

Financial inclusion and food security nexus — Evidence from SADC  
Tharollo Machili

The impact of African free trade area on the agricultural trade  
Thembaletu Seti

Economic growth and inequality  
Lindokuhle Zungu

**15:45 Breakout Session 2B**

Facilitators: Laurence Harris & Rob Davies

Macro financing — Financialisation in South Africa  
Muloiwa Hulisani

Does exchange volatility hurt South African domestic consumption?  
Nancy Muvumbu

Examining Fisher's Hypothesis at a disaggregated analysis for South  
Africa — An asymmetric approach  
Lutho Mbekeni

Disposition effects on private investment in South Africa  
Thobekile Tantsi

The influence of the real business cycle shocks on aggregate demand in South Africa  
Msa Mesatywa

**15:45 Breakout Session 2C**

Facilitators: Murray Leibbrandt & Channing Arndt (TBC)

Small town coastal communities' response to climate variability — A case study of Port Alfred, Eastern Cape, South Africa

Chikungwa Augustine

Physio-economic impacts of climate change on maize production in South Africa

Tatenda Magodora

Case study on farming reactions to climate change and policy interventions

Hannah Redders

Adoption of and willingness to pay for organic fertilizer by smallholder farmers

Bhekani Zondo

