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**Skills Indaba
2025 Skills for a Just Climate Transition**

PROGRAMME
30 October 2025
08h30-15h00

Protea Hotel Johannesburg Balalaika Sandton

Programme Directors: Zimasa Vazi and Dr Notiswa Libala

NO.	TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
1.	08:30-09:00	Registration	
2.	09:00-09:15	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Dorah Modise – Executive Director, PCC
3.	09:15-09:35	Opening Address: Strengthening Skills for a Just Energy Transition Industrial Pathways	Dr Mathe- CEO, SANEDI
4.	09h35-09h55	Opening Address: Skills Demand and Supply for a Just Transition- Energy and Water sectors	Robyn Vilakazi - Acting CEO, EWSETA
5.	09:55 -10:55	Strengthening Demand-Driven Informed Research: Research in practice	Moderator: Blessing Manale, PCC A Strategic Framework to Support Collaboration (Presentation): Dr Presha Ramsarup- Director, WITS REAL Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victoria Hepplethwaite- Researcher, WITS University Gerda Magnus- Component Manager, GIZ Lwanda Maqwelane – Researcher, MISTRA <p style="text-align: right;">Q&A</p>
	10:55-11:15	Tea Break	
6.	11:15-12h15	JET Skills Institutional Structures: Driving Collaboration and Delivery	Moderator: Baba Gqubule- Skills Portfolio Manager, JET PMU

			JET Skills Institutional & Governance Structures (Presentation): Mamphokhu Khuluvhe- Senior Technical Advisor JET Skills Desk, GIZ Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Granville Whittle -Deputy Director-General, Department of Basic Education • Ayakha Melithafa-PCC Commissioner, Youth Representative • Dr Anthony Gewer – Senior Programme Manager, NBI <p>.....Q&A</p>
	12:15 – 13:00	Lunch	
7.	13:00 -13:45	Advance Skills for Green Industrialisation: Equipping South Africans for Decarbonising Industries and Local Value Chains	Moderator: Devan Pillay- Executive Manager, PCC Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candice Moodley – Executive, EWSETA • Lindiwe Johnson- Programme Manager, NBI • Dr Suzan Oelofson – Principal Researcher, CSIR <p>Q&A</p>
8.	13:45 -14:45	Promotion of Skills for Care, Adaptation, and Community Resilience	Skills for Adaptation (Presentation): Prof Heila Lotz-Siska - Rhodes University Moderator: Deshni Pillay-Programme Manager, UNDP Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shamiela Reid- Senior Projects Coordinator, Indalo Inclusive • Matthew Grant –Centre Manager, TIPS Labour Centre • Josie Sigaram, Executive Manager, LG SETA • Dr Thobile Mhlongo-Senior Manager, SALGA <p>Q&A</p>
9.	14:45-15:00	Closing Remarks	Dr Crispian Olver-Deputy Chairperson, PCC