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DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2024 Master of Ceremonies: Africa Melane	
07h30 – 08h30	Registration and Refreshments
08h30 – 10h00	DAY 1 KEYNOTE SESSION enabled by <i>Garden Cities NPC (RF)</i> Facilitated by: Africa Melane
08h30 – 08h40	Welcome by MC, Africa Melane – Host of the Early Breakfast Show, 702 & Cape Talk
08h40 – 09h10	Keynote address: KASINOMICS: THE MASSIVE SCALE AND NATURE OF THE INFORMAL ECONOMY AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR RECIPROCAL ENGAGEMENT WITH THE FORMAL ECONOMY FOR MUTUAL ECONOMIC GROWTH GG Alcock – Economic Activist & Author of <i>KasiNomics</i>
09h10 – 09h35	INDUSTRY RESPONSE AND ADDRESS by Deon van Zyl – Chairperson, WCPDF and MD, Vorto
09h35 – 10h00	Q&A with GG Alcock and Deon van Zyl, facilitated by Africa Melane
10h00 – 10h30	Refreshment Break and EXHIBITION OPENS
10h30 – 12h30	SESSION 1: MUNICIPAL REPORT BACK FROM 2022/2023 CONFERENCES Facilitated by: Tashreeq Jaffar How has the public sector fared in the Western Cape over the past two years? With Mayoral Committee members from four of the most prominent municipalities in the Western Cape, we interrogate the changes and innovations in public legislation and policy, as well as infrastructural and other development with which the municipalities of George, Stellenbosch, Overstrand and the City of Cape Town have been involved over the past two years. How has their relationships with the property development and construction industry grown, and what are the challenges we still need to work on together to unlock the full potential of the Western Cape?
10h30 – 10h40	Welcome by MC, Africa Melane and introduction by session facilitator, Tashreeq Jaffar – Senior Associate, Property Law & Land Development Department, STBB
10h40 – 11h00	UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN, 2022 TO 2024 Ald Eddie Andrews – Executive Deputy Mayor & Mayoral Committee Member, Spatial Planning & Environment, City of Cape Town
11h00 – 11h15	THE ADAM TAS CORRIDOR Cllr Carli van Wyk – Mayoral Committee Member: Planning, Local Economic Development, Tourism – Stellenbosch Municipality

11h15 – 11h30	<p>UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT IN THE OVERSTRAND MUNICIPALITY, 2022 TO 2024 Dr Annelie Rabie – Executive Mayor, Overstrand Municipality</p>
11h30 – 11h45	<p>UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT IN GEORGE MUNICIPALITY, 2022 TO 2024 Ald Leon van Wyk – Executive Mayor, George Municipality</p>
11h45 – 12h15	Panel discussion between presenters, facilitated by Tashreeq Jaffar
12h15 – 12h30	Delegate Q&A
12h30 – 13h30	Networking Buffet Lunch <i>sponsored by SVA International</i>
13h30 – 15h00	<p>SESSION 2: MOBILITY = ECONOMIC ACTIVITY Facilitated by: Africa Melane</p> <p>Divided into two parts, the first half of this session will highlight the upgrades that SANRAL has planned for the Western Cape, and specifically look at Western Cape Government’s partnership with SANRAL in the extension of the all-important R300 corridor. The second half of this session reflects on the disruptions which took place mid-2023 around the taxi, and where – if any - inroads have been made to recognise and bring this important economic sector into alignment with both public and private partners. In particular, how can we build bridges between the taxi and private property sectors, especially when considering the economic strength of the taxi industry and its potential to improve public transport to private sector developments.</p>
13h30 – 13h40	Welcome and introduction to the session by MC and session facilitator, Africa Melane
13h40 – 14h00	<p>SANRAL’S PLANNED UPGRADES TO WESTERN CAPE ROADS Shaun Dyers – Town and Regional Planner, SANRAL</p>
14h00 – 14h50	<p>BUILDING BRIDGES BETWEEN THE TAXI AND PROPERTY SECTORS panel discussion facilitated by Africa Melane</p> <p>Introduction: Adv Murray Bridgman – Advocate and Mediator, The Cape Bar Fellow panellists: John Lawson – CEO, Cape Chamber of Commerce and Industry Mandla Hermanus – Chairperson, SANTACO Western Cape</p>
14h50 – 15h00	Delegate Q&A
15h00 – 15h30	Refreshment Break
15h30 – 17h30	<p>Session 3: WHAT DOES – OR DOESN’T – MAKE HOUSING DELIVERY POSSIBLE <i>enabled by The Association of South African Quantity Surveyors, Western Cape Chapter (ASAQS)</i> Facilitated by: Prof Ivan Turok</p> <p>Much has been said about the challenges around policy, legislation and time-delaying public procedures that slow down housing delivery, particularly in the affordable market but in line with the challenges faced across the middle and upper ends of the markets that require housing. This session looks at what progress has been made in national land value capture and the tools to add this process, innovations around public housing, specific challenges around heritage and implementing UDZ policy, the strides being made by the private sector towards alternative financing, and – not neglecting the market itself – how do we tackle creditworthiness towards enabling home ownership?</p>
15h30 – 15h35	Welcome by MC, Africa Melane

15h35 – 15h45	Introduction to session and presentation: RELEASING MUNICIPAL LAND FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING – EXPERIENCES FROM FOUR OF SOUTH AFRICA’S METROS Prof Ivan Turok – SA DSI/NRF Research Chair in City-Region Economies, University of Free State
15h45 – 15h55	INNOVATIONS AROUND PUBLIC HOUSING: THE URBAN THINK TANK EMPOWER (UTTE) KHAYELITHSA PROJECT Delana Finlayson – Managing Director, Urban Think Tank Empower
15h55 – 16h05	CHALLENGES AROUND HERITAGE AND THE UDZ Bruce Wilson – Director, Bruce Wilson Architects
16h05 – 16h15	INNOVATIONS AROUND FINANCING AFFORDABLE HOUSING Joel Baur – Co-Founder & CEO, Citra
16h15 – 16h25	EDUCATING THE MARKET TOWARDS CREDIT-WORTHINESS Meyer de Waal – Director, MDW INC Attorneys & My Budget Fitness
16h25 – 17h00	Panel discussion between presenters, facilitated by Prof Ivan Turok
17h00 – 17h20	Delegate Q&A
17h20 – 17h30	DAY 1 CLOSING Deon van Zyl – Chairperson, WCPDF; followed by Wrenelle Stander - CEO, Wesgro
17h30 – 19h30	DAY 1 NETWORKING EVENT <i>hosted by Wesgro</i>

DAY 2 – THURSDAY 9 MAY 2024

Master of Ceremonies: Africa Melane

07h30 – 08h30	Registration and Refreshments
08h00 – 08h30	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WCPDF
08h30 – 10h00	DAY 2 KEYNOTE SESSION <i>enabled by dhk Architects</i> Facilitated by: Africa Melane
08h30 – 08h40	Welcome by MC, Africa Melane – Host of the Early Breakfast Show, 702 & Cape Talk
08h40 – 09h10	Keynote address: THE SOUTH AFRICAN ECONOMY, THE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION LANDSCAPE, AND THE CONFIDENCE DRIVERS THAT LEAD TO FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT Prof Adrian Saville – Professor in Economics, Finance & Strategy, Gordon Institute of Business Science (GIBS), University of Pretoria
09h10 – 09h40	<i>In Conversation</i> with Prof Saville and Africa Melane
09h35 – 10h00	Delegate Q&A
10h00 – 10h30	Refreshment Break

<p>10h30 – 12h30</p>	<p>SESSION 4: THE IMPORTANCE OF BIG DATA Facilitated by: Deon van Zyl</p> <p>Without reliable and regularly updated Big Data, townplanning decision making becomes a guesstimate, at best. In recognising this, certain municipalities are upping their game to provide information. However, how real is “semigration” to the Western Cape? And how do we plan as a province for development in all-important nodes such as the forecasted influx in educational needs over the next few years; how can the private sector partner with government on this? And, most importantly, how long does it take to accumulate reliable data and what is already available out there for the development community to make plans for future needs and economic growth?</p>
<p>10h30 – 10h45</p>	<p>Welcome by MC, Africa Melane and introduction by session facilitator, Deon van Zyl – Chairperson, WCPDF and MD, Vorto</p>
<p>10h45 – 11h00</p>	<p>MAKING SENSE OF BIG DATA: EVIDENCE-BASED URBAN PLANNING AND DECISION-MAKING IN THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN Annelise de Bruin – Manager: Metropolitan Spatial Planning & Growth Management, Spatial Planning and Environment Directorate; and Vernon Moonsamy – Principal Professional Officer: Spatial Targeting and Mechanisms, Department of Urban Planning and Design, City of Cape Town</p>
<p>11h00 – 11h15</p>	<p>IS WESTERN CAPE SEMIGRATION FOR REAL? Dominique dHotman – Chief Strategy Officer, ooba Home Loans</p>
<p>11h15 – 11h30</p>	<p>PLANNING THE INFRASTRUCTURAL DEMANDS ON EDUCATION IN THE WESTERN CAPE Ian de Vega – Chief Director: Business Intelligence Management, Western Cape Education Department, Western Cape Government</p>
<p>11h30 – 11h45</p>	<p>THE EVOLUTION OF DATA WITHIN RODE & ASSOCIATES Erwin Rode – CEO, Rode and Associates</p>
<p>11h45 – 12h15</p>	<p>Panel discussion between presenters, facilitated by Deon van Zyl</p>
<p>12h15 – 12h30</p>	<p>Delegate Q&A</p>
<p>12h30 – 13h30</p>	<p>Networking Lunch <i>sponsored by</i> NAKO ILISO</p>
<p>13h30 – 15h00</p>	<p>SESSION 5: ENERGY INNOVATION IN THE WESTERN CAPE Facilitated by: Sebekedi Motlhabane Koloji</p> <p>This session looks to update delegates on the Western Cape and, as the largest metro, the City of Cape Town’s own strategies towards energy provision. With other municipalities such as Midvaal in Gauteng devising their own aggressive energy strategies, we ask what lessons the Western Cape can learn from other initiatives.</p>
<p>13h30 – 13h45</p>	<p>Welcome by MC, Africa Melane and introduction by session facilitator, Sebekedi Motlhabane Koloji – Energy and Green Economy Specialist, Wesgro</p>
<p>13h45 – 14h00</p>	<p>THE WESTERN CAPE’S STRATEGY TOWARDS ENERGY Alwie Lester – Special Advisor to the Western Cape Premier, Western Cape Government</p>
<p>14h00 – 14h15</p>	<p>CITY OF CAPE TOWN’S STRATEGY TOWARDS ENERGY Kadri Nassiep – Executive Director: Energy, City of Cape Town</p>
<p>14h15 – 14h30</p>	<p>MIDVAAL SUCCESS STORY – REFLECTIONS ON PERFORMANCE Peter Teixeira – Executive Mayor, Midvaal Local Municipality</p>

14h30 – 14h50	Panel discussion between presenters plus Anton Groenwald – Municipal Manager, Midvaal Local Municipality; facilitated by Sebekedi Motlhabane Koloï
14h50 – 15h00	Delegate Q&A
15h00 – 15h30	Refreshment Break
15h30 – 17h00	<p>Session 6: IN CONVERSATION WITH WESTERN CAPE PREMIER ALAN WINDE AND CITY OF CAPE TOWN EXECUTIVE MAYOR GEORDIN HILL-LEWIS <i>enabled by EFG Engineers</i> Facilitated by: Africa Melane</p> <p>For a number of years now, the government of the Western Cape and the City of Cape Town have been opening their doors ever- wider to the private property development and construction industry. In a one-on-one dialogue, this session looks to place the challenges (and the triumphs) centre-stage as local leaders answer the most-pressing questions for which our industry seeks answers. This final session will culminate in setting a path for the year ahead, to further cement the unique relationships between the public and private sector that are already evolving in the Western Cape.</p>
15h30 – 16h30	Welcome and introduction by MC, Africa Melane, followed by an <i>IN CONVERSATION</i> session with Western Cape Premier Alan Winde and City of Cape Town Executive Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis during which industry’s questions will be posed by Africa to the Premier and Executive Mayor.
16h30 – 16h45	Delegate Q&A
16h45 – 17h00	CONFERENCE CLOSING & SUMMARY Deon van Zyl – Chairperson, WCPDF; followed by Derick Henstra – Executive Chairman & Founding Partner, dhk Architects
17h00 – 19h00	DAY 2 NETWORKING EVENT <i>hosted by dhk Architects</i> EXHIBITION CLOSSES