

PROGRAMME

TUESDAY 31 MAY 2016

10:30–15:30	Pre-congress workshop
15:30–16:50	Student case competition presentations (first round)
18:30	Welcome function Sponsored by Afgri

WEDNESDAY 1 JUNE 2016

07:00–09:00	Registration
09:00–09:30	Opening and welcome Dr John Purchase, Agbiz CEO
09:30–09:40	Word from the main sponsor (Standard Bank) Mr Nico Groenewald, Head of Agribusiness at Standard Bank
09:40–10:20	Opening keynote: Perspectives on where SA is going Challenges faced by South Africa in terms of real economic issues, such as GDP growth rates, policy impact on the investment environment, depreciation of the rand and food inflation. Mr Lesetja Kganyago, governor of the South African Reserve Bank
10:20–11:00	Chairperson's report Mr Schalk Pienaar, Agbiz chairperson
11:00–11:30	Refreshments/networking
11:30–12:10	Economic outlook Analysis of the South African and global economic environment and what we can expect over the next couple of months and years. Mr Etienne le Roux, chief economist at Rand Merchant Bank (RMB)
12:10–12:50	BEE and black youth expectations View on socio-economic issues in our country, as well as black economic empowerment. Mr Mpumelelo Mkhabela, editor at Sowetan
12:50–13:40	Lunch/networking
13:40–14:20	Trade developments in South Africa Are South Africa's trade, industrial, and investment policies appropriate for our domestic challenges? Mr Peter Draper, managing director at TUTWA Consulting
14:20–15:00	Water security and water governance in South Africa Views on water security and where South Africa should be and is going with its water governance, including equitable water allocation. Prof Mike Muller, visiting adjunct professor, Graduate School of Governance at the University of the Witwatersrand
15:00–15:30	Refreshments/networking

15:30–16:10	Panel discussion Panellists: Mr Etienne le Roux, Prof Mike Muller, Mr Peter Draper and Mr Mpumelelo Mkhabela
16:10–16:50	Student case competition Finalists present to the congress. Facilitator: Prof Johan van Rooyen, IFAMA President, director of the Centre for Agribusiness Development Leadership and professor in Agricultural Economics at Stellenbosch University
16:50–17:00	Conclusion Dr John Purchase, Agbiz CEO
18:30	Agbiz 70th anniversary gala dinner Sponsored by Absa AgriBusiness and John Deere Financial

THURSDAY 2 JUNE 2016

07:30–08:00	Registration
08:00–08:15	Opening and welcome Mr Schalk Pienaar, Agbiz chairperson
08:15–08:45	Land reform status update Update on sustainable solutions to the vexing land reform question in South Africa, while seeking to ensure food security within an open and competitive market environment for agriculture and agribusiness. Dr John Purchase, Agbiz CEO
08:45–09:15	Progress by DRDLR with land reform initiatives Presentation on progress made by Government toward the establishment of schemes to boost agricultural production and agro-processing output, as well as job creation in the value addition activities linked with the various agri-park components. Ms Leona Archary - Deputy Director General: Rural Infrastructure Development at the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform
09:15–09:55	Energy security A presentation on trends in energy supply, globally and nationally, the implications for energy security in South Africa and in particular, implementation of an energy security strategy for an agribusiness and what the critical elements to consider are. Mr Brian Statham, chairperson of the SA National Energy Association (SANEA)
09:55–10:25	Refreshments/networking
10:25–11:05	Scenarios for South Africa South Africa appears to be in or headed for a perfect storm scenario, with political, economic and environmental (drought, etc.) upheaval combining to create great uncertainty, specifically for business. This presentation is an analysis of the scenarios that can play out over the next couple of years in South Africa. Ms Chantell Ilbury, independent scenario strategist, facilitator, speaker and bestselling business author
11:05–11:35	Panel discussion Panellists: Ms Chantell Ilbury, Ms Leona Archary, Mr Brian Statham, Dr John Purchase
11:35–11:45	Closing remarks Dr John Purchase, Agbiz CEO
11:45–12:15	Refreshments/networking
12:15–13:15	Agbiz members meeting

FRIDAY 3 JUNE 2016

10:30–14:00	Agbiz/Obaro post-congress tour to Bergkelder Sponsored by Obaro
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