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WOMEN IN ENERGY, ENGINEERING & INFRASTRUCTURE 2026



THEME:
LEADERSHIP, PROJECTS &
OPPORTUNITY IN THE
JUST TRANSITION ECONOMY



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WHO SHOULD ATTEND & WHY ATTEND

A high-level conference for professionals, organisations and stakeholders shaping leadership, projects and opportunity in the just transition economy.



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- ✓ Women professionals in energy, engineering and infrastructure
- ✓ Executives, managers, project leaders and technical specialists
- ✓ Utilities, IPPs, OEMs, EPCs and engineering consultancies
- ✓ Municipalities, SOEs, public works, transport and logistics stakeholders
- ✓ Procurement, supplier development, HR, talent and transformation leaders
- ✓ Women-owned businesses, entrepreneurs and technical service providers
- ✓ Universities, TVET colleges, SETAs and professional bodies
- ✓ Investors, DFIs, policymakers and emerging talent



WHY ATTEND

- ✓ Gain strategic insight into the just transition economy
- ✓ Understand opportunities in energy, engineering and infrastructure projects
- ✓ Learn from practical case studies in transmission, private power, mobility and logistics
- ✓ Connect with decision-makers, partners, sponsors and women leaders
- ✓ Discover supplier, procurement and enterprise development opportunities
- ✓ Explore skills, leadership and career pathways in technical sectors
- ✓ Benchmark good practice in inclusion, retention and progression
- ✓ Build meaningful networks across sectors shaping South Africa's future



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DAY 1 PROGRAMME

Women in Energy, Engineering & Infrastructure 2026

Leadership, Projects & Opportunity in the Just Transition Economy



7 October 2026



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09:00		Opening Remarks
09:15 – 10:00		Opening Keynote Women at the Centre of South Africa's Energy, Engineering and Infrastructure Future • Technical workforce integration • Leadership, governance and entrepreneurship • Systemic enablers and barriers Speaker: Refilwe Buthelezi – President, FAOE
10:00 – 11:00		Leadership, Delivery and Inclusion in the Just Transition Economy • Multi-stakeholder coordination • Institutional accountability • Delivery and implementation • Inclusion and equity Speaker: Retang Sandra Maphothoma – Civil Engineer, AECOM
11:00 – 11:30		Morning Tea Break
11:30 – 12:15		Transmission, Grid Expansion and New Infrastructure Imperative • Structural and regulatory reform • Financing and procurement models • Technical and operational modernization Speaker: Tshongfatso Sibambato – Pr. Engineer / Associate, Zutari
12:15 – 13:00		Industrial Renewable Energy Partnerships and the Future of Competitiveness • Cross-sector microgrids • Joint supply-chain procurement • Regulatory risk sharing • Data and carbon tracking integration Speaker: Vanesca Ukundi Baldwin Mushi – Founder, CATA Energy
13:00 – 14:00		Lunch & Networking Break
14:00 – 14:45		Women in Major Projects: From Project Office to Project Site • Project office and strategic planning • Transition and ongiurement coordination • Project site and field execution Speaker: Sancha Olivier – Director & Senior Business Developer, ATANA
14:45 – 15:30		Rail, Ports and Logistics Infrastructure: Where the Next Opportunities Are Emerging • Rail infrastructure and open access • Network recovery and security • Ports operations and terminal upgrades • Logistics and cross-border corridors Speaker: Migane Masalesa – National Executive Chairperson, WILAI (CILT)
15:30 – 16:00		Tea Break
16:00 – 16:45		From Engineer to Executive: Navigating Power, Credibility and Influence • Mindset and identity shifts • Establishing executive credibility • Exercising power and influence Speaker: Thusani Mkhathswa – Group Head: Technical Services, Anglo-American
16:45 – 17:30		Women Leading Public Infrastructure Delivery: From Project Planning to Site Execution • Translating infrastructure plans into deliverable projects • Managing contractors, consultants, budgets and timelines • Navigating project risks, delays and stakeholder expectations • Women's leadership in site-based and technically demanding environments Speaker: Qhawekazi Mtshali – Project Manager / Pr. Engineer, Department of Infrastructure Development



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DAY 2 PROGRAMME

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08:30 – 08:50

Welcome Tea and Registration



08:50 – 09:00

Recap of Day 1



09:00 – 09:40

What the Just Transition Will Mean for Skills, Industry and Opportunity by 2030

• Reskilling and upskilling • Industry transformation • Opportunities by 2030 • Localization of value chains

Speaker: **Mamoso May** – Founder / CEO, Artemis Group



09:40 – 10:25

EVs, Charging Infrastructure and the New Mobility Economy

• Electric vehicles • Charging infrastructure • The new mobility economy • Deployment locations

Speaker: **Amiene Van Der Merwe** – CEO, The Green Cab



10:25 – 11:00

Where Energy Meets Transport: Corridor Infrastructure, Freight and Electrification

• Transmission capacity planning • Fleet-to-grid synchronization • Resilient local storage • Rail vs road electrification

Speaker: **Nomsa Mokoena** – Founder / CEO, Faithrich Logistics



11:00 – 11:30

Morning Break



11:30 – 12:15

Financing Inclusive Infrastructure and Women's Participation in the Project Economy

• Digital and physical infrastructure • Project economy and livelihoods • Policy, governance and capabilities

Speaker: **Sandra Wakeford** – Group Sustainability Officer, Raubex Group Limited



12:15 – 13:00

Private Power, Wheeling and the New Business Models in Energy

• Virtual wheeling • Use-of-system charges • Regulatory and billing rules • Bilateral vs pooled contracts

Speaker: **Leone Human** – Chairperson, SAIPPA



13:00 – 14:00

Networking Luncheon



14:00 – 14:45

Building the Pipeline: Universities, TVETs, SETAs, and Employers

• Curriculum alignment • Research and innovation • Graduation and transition • Practical skill building

Speaker: **TBA**



14:45 – 15:30

Retention, Sponsorship and Career Progression for Women in Technical Sectors

• Retention strategies • Sponsorship programs • Career progression • Skill building and continuous performance reviews

Speaker: **Takalani Netshipale** – Project Manager, Department of Health



15:30 – 16:00

Tea Break



16:00 – 16:45

What Must Change by 2030? Commitments for Leadership, Projects and Opportunity

Speaker: **Noluti Mtetwa** – Product Negotiator, BP Southern Africa



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