AGENDA FOR THE DAY

14th June 2022

08:15 – 08:45 --------- Registration and Welcome Coffee ---------

08:45 – 09:00 Welcoming remarks:

Marianna Petrosillo at RES4Africa Foundation

Silvia Marrara, Deputy Head of Mission at Italian Embassy to South Africa

09:00 – 10:45 Panel 1: Steps Towards South Africa's Energy Transition: A Rapidly Changing Environment

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Keynote addresses *Moderator: Antonio Passero*		
09:00 – 09:45	South Africa's emissions trajectory and its implications for the energy transition	**Dr Crispian Olver**, Executive Director at Presidential Climate Commission
	Regulatory frameworks to support South Africa's clean energy deployment	**Roberto Vigotti**, Secretary General at RES4Africa
	The role of wind in a changing electricity market	**Niveshen Govender**, CEO at SAWEA
	The role of solar in a changing electricity market	**Dr Rethabile Melamu**, CEO at SAPVIA
Discussion *Moderator:* ***Nontokozo Nkosi****,* *SAWEA Co-Opted Board Member and Head of Commercial Office at Enel Green Power South Africa*		
09:45 – 10:45	**Amith Singh**, *Head Energy Finance at Nedbank CIB*	
	Christo Fourie, *Head Energy Sector at Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)*	
	Louise Paulsen, *Managing Director RSA at Vestas*	
	Wendy Poulton, *Secretary General at South Africa Nation Energy Association (SANEA)*	

10:45 – 11:15 --------- Coffee break ---------

11:15 – 13:00 Panel 2: New South African Electricity Supply Scenario and Disruptive Drivers

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Keynote addresses *Moderator:* ***Amith Singh****,* *Head Energy Finance at Nedbank*		
11:15 – 11:45	Municipal procurement programmes and room for a shared country-wide plan	**Vally Padayachee**, Strategic Advisor at the Association of Municipal Electricity Utilities (AMEU)
	Grid constraints and interventions	**Ronald Marais**, Strategic Grid Planning Manager at Eskom
Discussion *Moderator: Dr* ***Rethabile Melamu****,* *CEO at SAPVIA*		
11:45 – 13:00	**James Mackay,** *Associate Director Energy Strategy and Infrastructure at PwC South Africa*	
	Dr Wezi Gondwe, *Head of Business Development at Africa GreenCo*	
	Ashen Jugoo, *Partner Project & Finance at Fasken*	
	Kumaresan Cunden, *Senior Consultant Renewables & Sustainability at RINA Consulting*	

13:00 – 14:30 --------- Lunch break ---------

14:30 – 16:15 Panel 3: Enablers of a Decarbonisation Pathway

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Keynote addresses *Moderator:* ***Mpho Mookapele****,* *CEO at EWSETA*		
14:30 – 15:15	Multilateral support for South Africa's decarbonisation	**DG Mauro Petriccione**, Director General, Climate Action at European Commission
	Repurposing coal-fired plants under shutting down	**Sumaya Nassiep**, Senior Manager, Eskom Just Energy Transition Office
Discussion *Moderator:* ***Aradhna Pandarum****,* *CSIR Acting Research Group Lead, Energy Industry*		
15:15 – 16:15	**Kittessa Roro**, *Research Group Leader: Energy Supply & Demand at CSIR*	
	Reitumetse Molotsoane, *Head of Environment at NBI*	
	Manuele Battisti, *Country Manager Southern Africa at Enel Green Power*	
	Janek Winand, *Managing Director at Siemens Gamesa*	

16:15 – 16:30 Closing Remarks

17:00 – 18:30 Networking Cocktail

Grids Management to Maximize Renewable Energy Potential

15th June 2022

Moderator: ***Niveshen Govender****, CEO at SAWEA*

08:30 – 09:00 --------- Registration and Welcome ---------

09:00 – 09:20	Welcome + Grids4Africa Initiative	**Roberto Vigotti**, Secretary General RES4Africa Foundation
09:20 – 09:40	Regulatory evolution necessary to enable the modernization of the grid infrastructure	**Prof. Carlos Batlle**, Comillas, MIT, FSR
09:40 – 10:00	Grid reliability: opportunities and challenges	**Gabriel Kgabo**, General Manager, Business Strategy Enablement, Eskom Distribution
10:00 – 10:20	Business models for private sector support in grid development	**Marcelo Castillo Agurto**, Head of Business Development at Enel Global Infrastructure & Networks
10:20 – 10:40	Grids of the future: key enabler for the energy transition and sustainability	**Taru Madangombe**, Power and Grid Leader for Middle East & Africa at Schneider Electric
10:40 – 11:15	**Coffee Break**	
11:15 – 11:35	Challenges and opportunities at distribution level	**Paul Vermeulen**, Chief Engineer Renewable Energy at City Power Johannesburg
11:35 – 11:55	Power grid transformation to create a more resilient, reliable, and carbon-free electric sector	**Carlos Oros,** BD and Sales Manager – Africa & APAC, Gridspertise
11:55 - 12:15	Fostering RES penetration within the South African power system: utility unbundled scenario & localization of RES sites study	**Fabio Riva**, Energy Engineer Consultant at CESI
12:15 - 12:45	The electricity grid is the silent enabler of decarbonization	**Paolo Perani**, Sustainability Manager ELDS Division at ABB
12:45 -13:00	**Closing remarks**	