

G20 Visioning Seminar

17 – 18 July 2024
Pretoria, South Africa
DIRCO Conference Centre 1

Wednesday 17 July 2024

8:30-9:00	Arrival – Coffee & tea
9:00-9:45	<p>Opening addresses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Zane Dangor, Director-General of the Department of International Relations and Cooperation and South Africa G20 Sherpa Mr Duncan Pieterse, Director-General of the National Treasury, South Africa Mr Felipe Hees, Brazil G20 Sous-Sherpa Mr Sid'Ahmed Bouh, Advisor to the President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania and African Union G20 Sous-Sherpa Mr Charaf Ahmimed, Senior Advisor to the Director-General of UNESCO and G20 Sherpa
9:45-10:45	<p>Setting the scene: global trends, challenges and opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>An analysis of global trends, challenges and opportunities</i> Mr Mario Pezzini, Special Advisor with UNESCO and Distinguished Fellow Jindal University New Delhi and Ms Mariagrazia Squicciarini, Chief of Executive Office for Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO <i>Financing for a sustainable future</i> Ms Nan Li Collins, UNCTAD Divisional Director on Investment and Entrepreneurship Ms Yuefen Li, Senior Advisor on South-South Cooperation and Development Finance, South Centre <i>Current global trends and Africa's position in the world</i> Mr Y Abba Omar, Director of Operations, MISTRA <p>Discussion with participants</p>
10:45-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:00	<p>Setting the scene: Africa and Gender Equality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>African trends</i> Mr Ebrima Sall, Executive Director of Trust Africa <i>Gender equality trends in Africa</i> Ms Tamara Braam, Independent Development Consultant, previous Technical Lead on Gender - Based Violence, Private Office of the President and Ms Namhla Mniki- Mangaliso, Technical Lead Women's Economic Justice and Rights, Private Office of the President <p>Discussion with participants</p>

12:00-12:30	<p>Laying ground rules for the afternoon Sherpa & Finance Tracks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms Christin Pfeiffer, UNESCO Futures Literacy Expert
12:30-14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30: Parallel sessions with Sherpa and Finance tracks	
	<p>Combatting Inequalities, Fostering Social Inclusion and Solidarity</p> <p>Moderators/Animators: Mr Mario Pezzini, UNESCO; Ms Zamambo Mkhize, Lecturer at the African Gender Institute, University of Cape Town</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Peter Wells – Chief of Section Education, UNESCO’s Harare Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tackling hunger and poverty - Enhancing access to quality education, health and other social services and employment - Gender-based resilience: empowering women for the benefit of economies and societies - Leveraging and safeguarding research and innovation and fostering access to new technologies - Culture and dialogue for social inclusion and sustainable development - Youth as a solution for the future - Tackling inequality through global redistribution <hr/> <p>Digital Participation and Empowerment</p> <p>Moderators/Animators: Ms Mariagrazia Squicciarini, UNESCO; Mr Guy Berger, Director from Research ICT Africa; Mr Mukelani Dimba, Information Regulator, South Africa</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Al Amin Yusuph - Advisor for Communication and information, UNESCO’s Harare Office</p> <p><i>Transforming education and labour markets through fostering access to quality education and jobs, skills endowment and empowerment, including skills for the digital era</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addressing the digital infrastructure gap - Enhancing digital capacities, including related to AI, for all - Fostering the ethical development, deployment and use of digital AI and other digital technologies. - Levelling the AI playing field through fostering ethical and interoperable AI governance frameworks - Fostering access to information and information integrity, also in the digital space - Ensuring freedom of research, knowledge creation and expression, and supporting investigative journalism <hr/> <p>Fostering a Fair Climate Transition and Addressing Climate Disruption</p> <p>Moderators/Animators: Ms Clare Stark, UNESCO’s G20 Sous Sherpa; Mr Tshiamo Motshegwa, Head of the African Open Science Platform; Mr Adrian Chikowore, Resources Mobilization and Climate Finance Researcher, Institute for Economic Justice</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Martiale Zebabze-Kana – Science Senior Programme Specialist, UNESCO’s Harare Office</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Building resilient societies (education for sustainable development, disaster risk reduction/early warning systems, energy transition, misinformation/disinformation, research and innovation) - Fossil fuel phase outs and mitigating the impacts of climate disruption - Financing climate-disruption -related solutions - Addressing the impact of climate disruption on societies, ensuring a fair transition, and fostering biodiversity and the protection of oceans
	<p>Financing Sustainable Development and Fostering a Fairer Global Financial Architecture</p> <p>Moderators/Animators: Ms Christin Pfeiffer, UNESCO Futures Literacy Experts: Ms Yuefen Li, Senior Advisor on South-South Cooperation and Development Finance, South Centre; Mr Daniel Munevar, UNCTAD, UN Global Crisis Response Group; Mr Nimrod Zalk, Senior Researcher Fellow, Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms Patricia Machawira – Senior Project Advisor for Education, UNESCO’s Harare Office (Johannesburg Antenna)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International taxation - Multilateral development banks and lending in a period of overlapping emergencies - Reform of the global financial institutions - Debt distress and restructuring, reviewing the G20 Common Framework and what comes next - Ensuring financial inclusion and tackling inequality through global redistribution - Combatting illicit trafficking, including of cultural heritage, tax avoidance and evasion
15:30–16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:00: Continuation of Parallel sessions with Sherpa and Finance tracks	
17:00-17:30	Report back from breakout sessions
17:30-18:00	<p>Wrap-up session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms Christin Pfeiffer, UNESCO Futures Literacy Expert
18:00	Welcome cocktail

Thursday 18 July 2024	
8:30-9:00	Arrival – Coffee & tea
9:00–10:00	<p>Considerations when setting priorities – learnings from the Brazilian experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr Felipe Hees, Brazil G20 Sous-Sherpa <p>Discussion with participants</p>
10:00–11:00	<p>Brainstorming South African cross-cutting priorities and legacy initiatives for South Africa’s Presidency</p> <p><i>By breakout groups</i></p>
11:00–11:30	Coffee break

11:30–12:30	Group reports backs and plenary discussion on cross-cutting priorities and legacy initiatives
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30–14:30	Brainstorming of priorities for Working Groups <i>By breakout groups clustering the different Working Groups</i>
14:30–15:00	Report back on Working Groups’ priorities
15:00–15:30	Coffee break
15:30–16:30	Wrap-up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrap-up by the moderators of the different thematic sessions • Recommendations on the priorities for the G20 in 2025, legacy initiatives and themes for the Sherpa and Finance G20 Working Groups - South Africa Sherpa and UNESCO Sherpa.
16:30-17:00	Closing session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Charaf Ahmimed, Senior Advisor to the Director-General of UNESCO and G20 Sherpa • Mr Zane Dangor, Director-General of the Department of International Relations and Cooperation and South Africa G20 Sherpa • Mr Duncan Pieterse, Director-General of the National Treasury, South Africa