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## SESSION 1: TOWARDS COMMON REPORTING STANDARDS: WILL IT HELP ACHIEVE THE AIMS OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT?



### **Professor Carol Adams – Keynote Speaker**

Carol Adams is an author, consultant and Non-Executive Director with expertise in financial and non-financial reporting and environmental, social and governance risks. Carol's work is concerned with the role of accounting and reporting in the relationships between business, society and the environment. Over three decades, she has sought to advance practice and policy with respect to integrating sustainability considerations into organizations through applied research, leadership, standard setting, advisory work and educating the next generation of business leaders. She has been involved in various global corporate reporting initiatives and is currently a technical expert to the SDG Impact at the UNDP and a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland's (ICAS) Sustainability Panel, the ACCA's Global Forum on Sustainability and the Climate Disclosure Standards Board's Technical Working Group.



### **Siobhan Cleary (Global Sustainability Specialist) – Panel Speaker**

Most recently, Siobhan was Director of Capital Markets Engagement, for the Global Reporting Initiative where she led GRI's work with the investment and capital markets' communities. Prior to joining GRI, Siobhan was Head of Research at the World Federation of Exchanges where she led the WFE's work in sustainability and emerging markets. In this role, she was responsible (amongst other activities) for promoting sustainability among the member exchanges and research on the role of stock exchanges in promoting sustainable development, in collaboration with UNCTAD. She was formerly the Director of Strategy and Public Policy for the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) and currently serves as a non-executive Director on the Board of the JSE. Siobhan has spoken in conferences around the world on the topics of sustainability and emerging market development.

Siobhan has an LLB and an MBA from the University of Cape Town, an MA in International Relations and Economics from the Johns Hopkins University SAIS and is currently completing an MSc in Climate Change from King's College, London. She is a Yale World Fellow of 2011.



### **Loshni Naidoo (SAICA) – Panel Speaker**

Loshni Naidoo is a Project Director at SAICA, the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants. Her focus at SAICA is to support its members, the broader finance community and society with information and tools to progress the engagement with sustainability, integrated thinking and integrated reporting.

Loshni began her career as a chemical engineer and worked for several years in the production and project environments; mainly in mining and chemicals manufacturing. Later, she moved into the accounting and finance fields, where her focus was on providing integrated reporting, and sustainability advisory and assurance solutions to a diverse array of organizations.



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## SESSION 2: COMPANY SHOWCASE



### **Tanya Dos Santos (Investec Group) – Guest Speaker**

Tanya has been with the Investec Group for over 19 years predominantly in the group strategy role supporting the group executive in setting, monitoring and communicating their strategic objectives. In 2011, she assumed the Group Sustainability role, which involves consolidating and reporting the non-financial position of the group. Her team are responsible for compiling and communicating the corporate sustainability information including the impact Investec has on the economy, our people, society and the environment. Tanya also heads up the Investec Rhino Lifeline programme which works with carefully selected partners and leverages the strong Investec brand to raise awareness and much needed funds for the rescue and care of orphaned rhino as well as conservation education and the upliftment of rural communities. Tanya is currently participating in the working groups supporting the UN Secretary General's CEO Alliance of Global Investors for Sustainable Development addressing the challenge of financing the Sustainable Development Goals.

Tanya has a Masters in Economics Cum Laude and alumni status from Harvard Business school after completing several leadership qualifications at Harvard through the Investec leadership programme. In addition to rural education and contributing to the wildlife economy, Tanya is also passionate about human rights and sits on the board of the United Nations Global Compact local network in South Africa.



### **Stiaan Wandrag (Tigerbrands) – Guest Speaker**

Stiaan Wandrag is a veterinary surgeon and specialized in Toxicology. He worked in research toxicology before joining the Dow Chemical Company, where he served as the Responsible Care Leader for South Africa, with responsibilities for Environmental, Health and Safety and Responsible Care.

Stiaan was for twelve years responsible the sustainability reporting of Sasol. He also served for six years until December 2017 on the GRI's Global Sustainability Standards Board (GSSB) as business and Africa representative. He is also a member of the Integrating Reporting Committee of South Africa's working group.

Stiaan joined Tiger Brands in January 2018 as Sustainability and External Reporting Director.



### **Shamini Harrington (Sasol) – Guest Speaker**

Shamini Harrington is the Vice President: Climate Change at Sasol. She has worked for Sasol for 15 years and holds a Master's of Science degree in climate change. Shamini is both the Environment and Just Transition Chair of the Business Unity South Africa committees representing mandated business views on climate change related policy issues into government processes. She has been involved in climate change policy development since 2005 in South Africa. She is also an experienced international climate change negotiator and represented business on the South African negotiating team at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change for 5 years.



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## SESSION 3: RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT: BEST PRACTICE, OR NEXT PRACTICE?



### **Pali Lehohla – Keynote Speaker**

Pali Jobo Lehohla is the former Statistician-General of South Africa, a position he held from 2000 up to 2017. He has served as co-chair of PARIS21 and the Chair of the United Nations Statistics Commission. He was the founding chair of the Statistics Commission of Africa (StatCom Africa) and chairs the African Symposium for Statistical Development (ASSD). He was the Vice President of the International Statistics Institute (ISI), and sponsors the Young African Statistician (YAS) movement. He served as one of the twenty-five-member panel on Data Revolution appointed by the UN Secretary General, and was a member of the Independent Accountability Panel for the health of women, children and adolescents.

Dr Lehohla has been a forceful advocate for improving the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics systems in Africa. He consulted extensively in the in conflict, out of conflict and fragile states on matters statistics. And this saw him cover Iraq, Afghanistan, Sudan and Cambodia to make some mention. He was recognized by his alma mater, the University of Ghana for his contribution to the development of statistics in 2015 and was also awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Stellenbosch in the same year and in 2018 the University of Kwa – Zulu Natal awarded him an Honorary Doctorate. In October 2018 the University of Johannesburg appointed Dr Lehohla as a Professor of Practice. He consults widely on matters of statistics and since 2017 he became a Research Associate at Oxford University and a consultant to Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative. He is the Founder of the Pan African Institute for Evidence (PIE). He is a member of the Idlulamithi Steering Committee. For twenty years to date, he has been weekly columnist in the Business Report.



### **Angelique Kalam (Futuregrowth) – Panel Speaker**

In her current position as a member of the Credit & Equity investment team, Angelique is responsible for overseeing the sustainable and responsible investment (RI) strategy at Futuregrowth. This includes all aspects of RI such as environmental, social and governance (ESG) integration and analysis of investments, as well as, overseeing the implementation of the development (impact) funds strategy. Angelique has 24 years' experience in financial services. Her diverse background and experience within the financial services industry ranges from marketing, business development and investments. This enables her to bring a unique combination of skill and attributes at a strategic and process level to her role and the organization.



### **Premal Ranchod (Alexander Forbes) – Panel Speaker**

Premal Ranchod leads the responsible investment strategy at Alexander Forbes investments, the largest multi-manager in South Africa as well as one of the largest asset owners in the country. He has engaged extensively with the asset management industry over the years in manager selection across public and private markets and the various asset classes. His areas of influence include manager research, ESG integration and asset owner stewardship within the investment process. Premal is regular contributor on responsible investing thought leadership across many platforms. Premal graduated from WITS university and is a chartered accountant with financial services experience in excess of a decade. Prior to joining Alexander Forbes Investments, he worked in investment banking at Standard Bank. He held various positions in finance and middle office where he also conducted debt/equity valuation and IFRS reporting across leverage acquisition finance, mezzanine finance and structured trade & commodity finance. He served as a critical partner between deal origination, credit, loan syndication, treasury and IFRS reporting teams. Prior to his career in banking, Premal served articles at Deloitte, auditing the integrated reports and financial statements of large listed and unlisted businesses.



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## **Rajith Sebastian (Wharton School Social Impact Initiative) – Panel Speaker**

Rajith Sebastian is Director, Impact Investing, at the Wharton Social Impact Initiative based at Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He is responsible for sustainable investing thought leadership and projects, including special projects with funds, banks and other capital markets stakeholders, and the creation of innovative early stage impact investing vehicles. Prior to joining the Wharton Social Impact Initiative, Rajith worked in investment banking across Sub Saharan Africa, including roles as Regional Coverage Executive, East Africa, for Nedbank and as a Director at Standard Chartered Bank. Before that, Rajith worked at Chinavest Private Equity in Shanghai, Macquarie Bank in Johannesburg, and the Monitor Group (now Monitor Deloitte) in London. He has a Bachelor of Business Science degree from the University of Cape Town, an MBA from the Wharton School, and is a CFA Charterholder.



## **Anashrin Pillay (Risk Insights) – Panel Speaker**

Anashrin Pillay is the Acting CEO of Risk Insights and the Executive for ESG. He previously served as Group Head of Investor relations at PPC, with his primary role to serve as the leader of ESG GPS for South Africa, Africa and the world. Anashrin has a Bachelor of Science degree in Applied Mathematics, Actuarial Science and Statistics and recently completed his PGDIP at Henley Business School in 2020 with distinction. Anashrin is an investment professional with Pan-African investment experience. He joined the stockbroking industry in 2005 as a junior analyst. In 2009, he was rated in the annual Financial Mail survey for analysts in the construction sector. In 2010, he joined Stanlib Asset Management as an industrial analyst and was responsible for covering diversified industrials and construction as part of the Stanlib Industrial Team. In 2014, he joined PPC as programme management officer in the office of the CFO, responsible for special projects. In this capacity he was successful in delivering a profit improvement programme in excess of R400m and was project lead on a transaction of more than R100m. In 2016, he was appointed as a senior corporate finance analyst involved in project finance reviews in various rest of Africa countries including (Zimbabwe, Rwanda, Ethiopia and DRC) and investigating M&A opportunities. In 2017, he was appointed as Head of Investor Relations at PPC. He also served as Chairman of the PPC Pension Fund Investment Committee and currently serves as a director on the board of the Investor Relations Society of South Africa.



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## **Fong Yee Chan (FTSE Russell) – Panel Speaker**

Fong Yee is a Sustainable Investment (SI) Specialist with over 15 years of combined SI and product strategy and development experience. She has been working at FTSE Russell since 2017 and is currently a Director, EMEA Sustainable Investment (SI) Products. Fong Yee leads the organization's SI ETF strategy and initiatives for EMEA. Previously, she was ESG director at eFront leading eFront's private equity ESG solution. Fong Yee also worked at the PRI, heading up the organization's private equity and asset owner programmes.

In addition, Fong Yee has been on the board of directors for the UK Sustainable Investment Forum since 2017.

Fong Yee holds an MSc in Environment and Sustainable Development from University College London (distinction) and BSc joint major Business Administration and Computer Science from Simon Fraser University in Canada.

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