

## **EXPO and CONFERENCE** 18 – 20 FEBRUARY 2020 MASLOW HOTEL AND ARENA PRETORIA

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## Join the conversation — AGRICULTURE 2020 AND BEYOND

The 2020 agriculture calendar kicks off at AFRICA AGRI TECH where future trends and technology come under the spotlight. This 3-day conference line-up, presented by Landbouweekblad, AFGRI, Grobank, and Farmer's Weekly will explore sustainability, future farming tools and focus on the economy.

Parallel to the conference will be state-of-the art exhibits from the industry leaders in agricultural technology. These exhibits cannot be missed, and visitors only have to register beforehand, free of charge for full access to the exhibition floor. Come listen, come explore, come network, and meet and mingle with captains of industry. The threeday bumper speaker line-up appears below. Online and automatic registration is available on the event website. For your convenience, we have inserted quick links. Register at <u>africaagritech.co.za</u>.

We look forward to your attendance.

Kind regards

Werner Scholtz and the Brand Republic team in association with the Africa Agri Tech team.

#### **QUICK LINKS Conference Registration Our TV Advert Trade Visitor Registration G** Facebook ம Linkedin YouTube Twitter Website **QUICK FACTS** Date: Tuesday 18 - Thursday 20 February 2020 Sun Arena, Time Square, Menlyn Maine, Pretoria Venue: Cost: 3-Day inclusive package: R3 000.00 (excl. VAT) lunch and refreshments included 1-Day subscription rate R1 250.00 (excl. VAT) lunch and refreshments included **Conference:** Online registration now open at <u>https://africa-agri.co.za/delegate-bookings/</u> **Registration:** The online registration portal will automatically raise and e-mail your invoice.

Trade Visitor: Want to visit and not attend the conferences? Register as a trade visitor at no charge here: Registration: <u>https://eventrsvp.co.za/eventlogic/paylogic/pay.aspx?refno=LWT001</u>



## DAY 1 TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2020 LANDBOUWEEKBLAD CONFERENCE

### 08:30 AGDA Launch

Welcome by Master of Ceremonies, Leona Archary

- Official Opening Address by the Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development and Land Reform, Thoko Didiza
- Purpose and aim of the AGDA
- Signing of the AGDA Agreement

Panel Discussion: Facilitator, Leona Archary

### **Panel Members:**









Nico van Aardt





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DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Roelf Meyer

Chris Venter A

Gloria Serobe

Tommie van Zyl

10:15 Closure of AGDA Launch & Tea Break

10:30 Resume Landbouweekblad Conference for registered delegates

10:30 – 11:00 Welcome by Master of Ceremonies, Chris Burgess

## Technology to make agriculture more efficient, sustainable and profitable

**Chris Burgess** Editor, Landbouweekblad

### **Opening Address**

**Mmboneni Muofhe** Deputy Director General: Department of Science & Innovation

### The evolution of technology in transforming agricultural production Tavonga Siyavora

Program Manager – New Market Entry, John Deere

# Technology trumps size: The Netherlands is tiny, but is a world leader in agri exports

Willemien van Asselt Director of International Strategy, Topsector Agri & Food

**Precision Farming Technology and Profitability Erik de Vries** Agri Technovation

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break





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## DAY 1 Continued

How new greenhouse technology can diversify your farming by spreading the risk Francois van der Merwe CEO, CAN-Agri		can agri
From wool to blockchain, how BKB's digital ecosystem benefits clients Jaco Maass General Manager, SHIFT - a BKB Business		
Surviving and thriving in tough times with the help of technology Cobus van Coller Farm Libanon, Viljoenskroon		Libanon Viljoenskroon
15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break		
From smart farms to affordable livestock traceability. Changes in the livestock industry Dr Michael Bradfield Livestock Consultant		
Agriculture and responsible water usage Benoit le Roy Water Shortage South Africa	(The second seco	WATER SHORTAGE SOUTH AFRICA
Can livestock auctions go virtual? Russel Luck SwiftVee		
How farmers are pioneering solar energy Chris Schutte Sonfin	(B)	SONFIN
Panel Discussion – How can technology help farmers mitigate risks Panel Facilitator – Chris Burgess Landbouweekblad Panel Members:	and the second s	Landbeekblad
Russel Luck Erik de Vries Michael Bradfield Jaco Maass Chris Schutt	e Francois	van der Merwe

Summary and closing remarks Chris Burgess

18:00 Closure

18:05 Landbouweekblad 100 years and Landbouweekliks 100 episodes. Celebrating these milestones and the highlights along the way.



## DAY 2 WEDNESDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2020 **AAT CONFERENCE**

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## farmer's weekly



11:30 – 12:00 Geodata for African agriculture **Rod MacKinnon** Regional Value Add Partner, eLeaf

12:00 – 12:20 Technology transforming Supply Chain Dr Chamunorwa Togo General Manager, Bio Economy, The Innovation Hub



## **DAY 2 Continued**



**to Commercial Dr Santosh Ramchuran** Research Group Leader: Bioprocess Development, CSIR

15:30- 15:50 Trends and developments in breeding, production and consumer consumption Matome Ramokgopa General Manager: Southern Africa, Enza Zaden

15:50 - 16:15 Coffee break

 16:15 – 16:45 Agriculture: Key things to consider when investing in technology solutions
Priaash Ramadeen & Estelle Lubbe
Co-Founders, The Awareness Company

16:45- 17:00 A compendium of recent agricultural innovations and technologies Dr Cynthia Motsi ARC







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## DAY 2 Continued

17:00 – 18:00 Panel Discussion – Farmer's Weekly How affordable is new technology, especially for smaller scale farmers, and is there a need for local investment to address the unique needs of farmers in this part of the world?

Panel Facilitator - Denene Erasmus Editor Farmer's Weekly

## DAY 3 THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2020 **AFGRI & GROBANK CONFERENCE**

### 08:30 Welcome by Master of Ceremonies, Rozanne McKenzie

Introduction from AFGRI Jacob de Villiers CEO, AFGRI Agri Services

Future Technology & Consumer Trends **Pieter Geldenhuys** ITSI

### Panel Discussion 1 - A focus on the economy

Local and international trends; trade wars; trade agreements and credit ratings. What is the forecast for the economy and the impact on agriculture? Can agriculture be a catalyst to growth?

Panel Facilitator: Bruce Whitfield

**Panel Members:** 





**Prof Elmien du Plessis** 



**Prince Mashele** 





Wandile Sihlobo



**Prof Roelof Botha** 

10:30 - 11:00 Tea break

### Introduction from Grobank

Bennie van Rooy CEO, Grobank

Panel Discussion 2 – Capital & Growth The costs, risks, opportunities and transformation of capital. Where are the opportunities in a changing market?

Panel Facilitator: Jeremy Maggs

**Panel Members:** 









Brenda Tlhabane







farmer's weekly







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## **DAY 3 Continued**

### Cloud Wars arrive in SA, how will this drive the economy

Rudie Raath

Chief Digital Officer, Datacentrix

## 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

**Panel Discussion 3** — The case for equity investment in agriculture If you want to raise equity capital in the agricultural sector — you cannot miss this panel discussion. Major agricultural investors and advisors will discuss what they look for in an investment in agriculture, and how businesses should position themselves to attract equity investors.

Panel Facilitator: Theo Vorster, Galileo Capital Panel Members:







Russell du Preez

Jannie Stockenström

Stephan van der Walt

Summary and closing remarks Chris Burgess Editor, Landbouweekblad

18:00 Closure







