



Equitable Partnership conference 2026 Agenda

Tuesday 3 February

Welcome reception	Time: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Location: CSIR International Conference Centre - Alfresco Dining deck
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Wednesday 4 February

Plenary: Diamond Auditorium. Equitable Partnerships in Global Research: From Principles to Practice

Plenary keynote 1
09:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Plenary Keynote: Equitable Partnerships in Global Research: From Principles to Practice

Speaker: Quarraisha Abdool Karim FRS

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Session block 1 10:10 AM - 10:55 AM	1.1 Research Leadership and Capacity Building	1.2 Building Equitable Scientific Partnerships in Practice: Brazilian Insights from the Pasteur International Joint Research Unit	1.3 Shaping Knowledge-Setting Agendas for Equitable Research: Integrating Implementation Science in Call Development, Policy Frameworks, and Practice	1.4 Experiences and Practices in Mali
	Speaker: Shadreck Chirikure	Speaker: Raquel Salvati	Speaker: Vilma Irazola	Speaker: Safiatou Doumbo
	ROOM: Emerald	ROOM: Crystal-Garnet	ROOM: Amethyst	ROOM: Ruby

Break

Coffee break
10:55 AM - 11:15 AM

Coffee break

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Session block 2 11:15 AM - 12:00 NOON	2.1 Can we develop new ways to develop 'trustful' research without travel in international research?	2.2 Equitable Partnerships in Practice: How Evaluation, Publishing and Policy Shape Knowledge Impact	2.3 A framework to integrate indigenous knowledge into disaster risk reduction to build disaster resilience: insights from rural South Africa	2.4 Promoting Evidence-Informed Policymaking across Latin America
	Speaker: Jude Robinson	Speaker: Similo Ngwenya	Speaker: Masego Motsumi	Speaker: Bethânia Suano
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Break				
Lunch 12:00 NOON - 1:00 PM	Lunch			
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Conference workshops 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM	Evidence Use in Equitable Partnerships for Designing the Ideal Call	Research Management Capacity Strengthening (RMCS)	Understanding how indigenous and other forms of knowledge 'impact' evidence-informed policymaking	We Built the Kitchen: Reimagining Equitable Partnerships Through Recipes from the Global South
	Chair: Alex Lewis	Chairs: Silke Blohm, Sidney Engelbrecht	Chair: Louise Shaxton	Chair: Mahi Ramakrishan
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Session block 3 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM	3.1 Equitable Partnerships with Marginalised Communities	3.2 Application to Impact: Translating SAMRC Funding to Measurable Health Results'	3.3 Initiating Trustable International Equitable Partnerships in Proposal Development	3.4 Equitable Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) for Sustainable Impact
	Speaker: Kimberly Kong	Speaker: Martha Chadyiwa	Speaker: Mohammad Faizal Ibrahim	Speaker: Belinda Ngongo
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Break				
Coffee break 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM	Coffee break			

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Session block 4 3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	4.1 Indigenous-Led Co-Creation: Reimagining Equitable Partnerships in Global Research	4.2 Harmonizing Quality Assurance in Africa: Trust, Communication, and Leadership for Sustainable South-South Collaboration	4.3 Equitable Research Impact: Mapping Fair Assessment Within Equitable Research Partnerships	4.4 Networking and Partnerships: Trust, Power and Practice in Cross-Regional Collaboration
	Speaker: Pamela Giselle Katic	Speaker: Adewale Olusegun Obadina	Speaker: Mohd Amiruddin Abd Rahman	Speaker: Oluseye Oludoye
	ROOM: Emerald	ROOM: Crystal-Garnet	ROOM: Amethyst	ROOM: Ruby
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Parallel panels 4:10 PM - 5:10 PM	Parallel panel 1: Funding Equitable Partnerships	Parallel panel 2: Managing Equitable Partnerships	Parallel panel 3: Evidencing Equitable Partnerships	Building equitable research partnerships across different scales of transdisciplinary research
	Nana Boaduo	Karin Dyason	Molly Morgan-Jones	Catherine Sutherland
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Dinner 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Dinner			

Thursday 5 February		Plenary: Diamond Auditorium			
Plenary keynote 2 09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Plenary keynote				
	Speaker: Professor Tshilidzi Marwala				
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Session block 5 10:10 AM - 10:55 AM	5.1 Strengthening Equitable Partnerships Through AfricanLed Bioethics Networks	5.2 Putting Transformative Partnership Working into Practice: A Case Study of a Research-Intensive Northern University	5.3 Redefining Research Agendas – Whose Knowledge, Whose Priorities?	5.4 Building Equitable Partnerships for Transformative Higher Education in the Global South	
	Speaker: Mercury Shirindo	Speaker: Leon Tikly	Speaker: Allen Mukhwana	Speaker: Emmanuel Ojo	
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	Break				
Coffee break 10:55 AM - 11:15 AM	Coffee break				
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Session block 6 11:15 AM - 12:00 NOON	6.1 Advancing Equitable South–South and North–South Collaborations in Global Health Research	6.2 Equitable Partnerships and Research Capacity in Brazil	6.3 (Re)centering Indigenous Knowledge for equitable partnerships: A movement away from ‘research on’ to ‘research with’ indigenous peoples	6.4 Re-imagining Africa to Africa partnerships: The University of Fort Hare partnerships experience with three African universities	
	Speaker: Jasmit Shah	Speaker: Ricardo Oliveira	Speaker: Justine Mukhwana Sikuku	Speaker: Willie Chinyamurindi	
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Poster session 12:00 NOON - 12:30 PM	Poster session: Exhibition Hall				
	Break				
Lunch 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch				

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Session block 7 1:45 PM - 2:30 PM	7.1 Experiences with UK- South Africa Research Collaborations	7.2 From Risk to Resilience: Observational Case Studies on Due Diligence, Institutional Reflection and Tech-Enabled Process Improvement	7.3 Addressing Policy Constraints in UK-LMIC Research Collaboration	7.4 Research Security and International Collaboration
	Speaker: Sibusiso Moyo	Speaker: Palinji Mungoni	Speaker: Eva Kagiri-Kalanzi, Alice Chadwick El-Ali, Allen Mukhwana	Speaker: Sapna Marwaha
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	Break			
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Session block 8 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM	Reflections on a 30-Year Research Partnership	8.2 Equitable Partnerships for African Research Infrastructure and Capacity (EP for AfRiCa). International collaborations explored through the lens of research management	8.3 Towards More Equitable International Research Collaboration: Engaging State Funding Agencies in Brazil	8.4 Leadership and Sustainable South-South Collaborations
	Speaker: Relebohile Moletsane and Elaine Unterhalter	Speaker: Tshegofatso Seabi and Odile Masia	Speaker: Maria Zaria Turchi and Flávia Cerqueira	Speaker: Eliane Segati Rios
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Closing remarks and poster prize 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM	Closing remarks and poster prize: Diamond Auditorium			