

**Wellbeing Economy Festival (WEF):
Building a movement for the new economy**



27 – 29 November 2017
CSIR International Convention Centre
Pretoria (South Africa)

Programme

Day 1 – Monday, 27 November 2017

9.00 – 15.00	Arrival of delegates
16.30 – 17.00	Registration of delegates and participants
17.00 – 17.30	Official opening and welcome remarks by organizing committee
17.30 – 19.30	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Public conversation</u> <i>“From unequal development to wellbeing: research and action to connect people and nature”</i> <i>Nnimmo Bassey, Recipient of the Alternative Nobel Peace Prize and Time Magazine Environmental Hero, Health of Mother Earth foundation (Nigeria)</i> <i>Robert Costanza, Chair in Public Policy, Australian National University (Australia)</i> <i>Kate Pickett, Professor of Epidemiology and Champion for Research on Justice and Equality, University of York (UK)</i> <i>Desta Mebratu, Extraordinary Professor, Centre for Complex Systems in Transition, Stellenbosch University (Ethiopia)</i> Moderated by Masechaba Mabilu (SA) and Racine Kane (Senegal)</p>
19:30 – 20:30	Cocktail dinner

Day 2 – Tuesday, 28 November 2017

8.30 – 9.00	Coffee and tea
9.00-10.45	Short presentations

	<p>“Let people speak: how community consultations can trigger wellbeing transformation” Katherine Trebeck (Oxfam UK)</p> <p>“Searching for the wellbeing of people” Justine Braby (Progress Namibia)</p> <p>“Transforming education and healing our nation through mutually-beneficial cross-sector partnerships” Louise Van Rhyn (Partners for Possibility, SA)</p> <p>“Can social entrepreneurship promote a wellbeing economy in practice?” Pat Pillai and Carmen Di Rito (LifeCo, SA)</p> <p><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
10.45-11.00	Wellbeing break
11.00 – 13.00	<p>Short presentations</p> <p>“The transformative potential of alternative currencies in Africa” Verengai Mabika (BitFinance, Zimbabwe)</p> <p>“Giving people value: the role of local digital currencies” Justin McCarthy (Project UBU, SA)</p> <p>“WE-Coin: developing a wellbeing currency at the global and local level” Roberto Valenti (Italy)</p> <p>“How information technology can bring about a revolution in small-scale farming” Ndubuisi Ekekwe (Zenvus, Nigeria)</p> <p><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
13.00 – 14.00	Social lunch

14.00 – 16.00	<p style="text-align: center;">Short presentations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Rethinking economics: why ecosystems matter for economic and social prosperity” Ida Kubiszewski (Australian National University, Australia) and Paul Sutton (University of Denver, US)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Biomimicry as a transformative paradigm” Gamelihle Sibanda (ILO, Zimbabwe)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Planning for people and nature” Dieter Van Den Breck (Comon Land, Netherlands)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Community transformation in the Reef Valley” Jacqueline McGlade (Masai Mara University, Kenya)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
16.00 – 17.30	<i>Interlude</i>
17.30 – 19.30	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Public conversation</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">“The politics of change: how to build a wellbeing economy ” <i>Liepollo Lebohang Pheko, Managing Director of Four Rivers (SA)</i> <i>Richard Wilkinson, Emeritus Professor of Social Epidemiology and author (UK)</i> <i>Hunter Lovins, Natural Capitalism Solutions and recipient of the Alternative Nobel Peace Prize (US)</i> <i>Rehana Moosajee, RM Consulting (SA)</i> <i>Debra Roberts, Ethekewini Municipality (SA)</i> <i>Moderated by Ruth Moraa and Bernard Osawa (Kenya)</i></p>
19.30 – 21.00	Evening reception

Day 3 – Wednesday, 29 November 2017

8.30 – 9.00	Coffee and tea
9.00-10.45	<p style="text-align: center;">Short presentations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Rustlers Valley Farm - Co-creating livelihoods and community well-being from below and beyond” Gino Govender (Earthrise Trustees, SA)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Seeds of change for the Good Anthropocene” Laura Pereira (Stellenbosch University, SA)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Open spaces for wellbeing” Hope Kasedde (Kampala Open Space Initiative, Uganda)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Innovation through decentralization” Ifeoma Malo (Nigeria)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
10.45-11.00	Wellbeing break
11.00 – 13.00	<p style="text-align: center;">“Envisioning Ecotopia” James Ward (University of South Australia, Australia)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Looking backward: story telling as a transformative process” Dirk Philipsen (Duke University, US)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“liNtetho zoBomi: Conversations about life” Pedro Tabensky (Rhodes University, SA)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Regenerative development” Elizabeth Caniglia (Regis University, US)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>

13.00 – 14.00	Social lunch
14.00 – 16.00	<p>“A political economy of social justice for Africa” Patrick Bond (University of the Witwatersrand, SA)</p> <p>“Wellbeing as a paradigm for change: a perspective from the Caribbean” Henry J. Lewis (UTech, Jamaica)</p> <p>“Connecting the dots: why we need a global movement” Stewart Wallis (UK)</p> <p>“Deep humanity and cosmo-localization: a complementary strategy to empower the commons and shift the MEconomy to the WEconomy” Gien Varney Wong and Magdalena Zukowski (Stop-Reset-Go, SA)</p> <p><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
16.00 – 17.30	<i>Interlude</i>
17.30– 19.30	<p><u>Thuli Madonsela Good Governance Lecture</u></p> <p>“From charity to sharity: Africa’s wellbeing through creativity and leadership” <i>Mallence Bart Williams</i>, author, film-maker and fashion designer (Sierra Leone) Introduced by Thuli Madonsela (SA)</p>
19.30 – 21.00	Evening reception

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