



WAITRO SUMMIT 2022

14-15 November | Cape Town

Why shouldn't you miss this year's [WAITRO Summit](#)? Because we offer an excellent platform for you to network and start new partnerships while expanding your knowledge and enhancing your skills.

The WAITRO Summit 2022 program includes: Keynotes, Roundtable on SDG 17, Panel Discussion on Financing Innovative Solutions, Capacity Development Workshops, Kick-off Sessions for SDG Working Groups, and more!

Featured Speakers



HRH Princess Sumaya bint El Hassan

President of WAITRO,
President of the Royal Scientific Society, UNESCO
Special Envoy for Science for Peace



Dr. Raghunath Mashelkar

Former President of Indian National Science Academy and of Global Research Alliance



M.Sc. Nienke Buisman

Head of Unit for International Cooperation, Directorate General Research and Innovation, European Commission

Roundtable on SDG 17: Strengthen the Means of Implementation and Revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development



Dr. Victor Konde

Scientific Affairs Officer, TCCNRMD-Green Economy Innovations & Technologies Section, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)

Mamati Tembe

Head of Public Affairs Science and Sustainability, Africa at Bayer AG



Prof. Nnnesi Kgabi
Director Research Support, NWU (South Africa)
David Tveit
EVP, Energy and Climate Division, DTI (Denmark)
Dr. Hussam Hussein

Executive Director Partnerships, RSS (Jordan)
Jaime Arboleda Palacio
Deputy Director, CTA (Colombia)
Dr. Paul Burrows
Vice President Overseas Cooperation, JITRI (China)

Moderated by Dirk Saseta Krieg, Director General, Area of Promotion & Management, LEITAT (Spain)

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Panel Discussion on Financing Innovative Solutions for the SDGs



Catalyzing Finance for Innovative Impact Solutions

By Keiron Brand

NL Bankable Nature Solutions Advisor at WWF and African Regional Lead for the Dutch Fund for Climate Development (DFCD)

Andrew Da Costa
Private Equity Specialist (South Africa)
Laura Eck
Consultant at WWF focusing on NbS; Prior Strategy Consultant at McKinsey (South Africa)
Fungai Musana
Corporate Engagement Manager, WWF (Zambia)
Wesley Okeke (tbc)
CEO CUBIO Innovation Center, CEO Headway Idea Labs (United States)

Moderated by Jean-Marc Champagne, Founder and Director Seneca Impact Advisors (China)

Capacity Development Workshops | Day 1

From R&D to Commercialization – A Focus on Entering International Markets
Andreas Kleinn, EnTechnon/KIT (Germany)

Traditional and Innovative Government Funding for Sustainable International Cooperation – Potential, Pitfalls and Strategies
Joy Owango, TCC Training Centre in Communication (Kenya), Joseph Njogu, Research Beeline (Kenya), Julia Wiethüchter, WAITRO/Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft (Germany)

4.0 Technologies as a Lever for Fostering Competitiveness in Industry
LEITAT Technological Center (Spain), JITRI (China)

SDG 3: Good Health and Wellbeing – A Convenient Motivation or a Neglected Outcome Assessment?
Dr. Jo Barnes, Stellenbosch University (South Africa)

The Networking Pitch
Dirk Lehmann, Pitch Coach and Innovation Advisor (Germany)

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Capacity Development Workshops | Day 2

Benchmarking to Identify Best Practices in RTO Management
Knud Erik Hilding-Hamann, DTI (Denmark), Chuqiao Dong, WAITRO/JITRI (China)

Enabling Small-scale Spare-parts Production in Developing Countries
Prof. Emad Ewais, Prof. Shima H. El-Haddad, Prof. Khaled M. Ibrahim, Saijil Singh, CMRDI (Egypt)

Project Cycle Management - A Focus on Monitoring and Evaluation in the Context of the Inter-Connectivity of the SDGs and the Rights-Based Approach
Roger Short, Former WAITRO Secretary General, 1988-1991 (United Kingdom)

The Project Pitch
Dirk Lehmann, Pitch Coach and Innovation Advisor (Germany)

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Spotlight: Benchmarking to Identify Best Practices in RTO Management

Knud Erik Hilding-Hamann

Senior Specialist at DTI, Knud Erik Hilding-Hamann is our guest author this month with the article: The WAITRO Online Benchmarking System, A Vital Tool in RTO Process Improvement Initiatives.



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WAITRO SDG Working Groups

WAITRO will establish SDG Working Groups, which will accelerate members' collective impact by establishing platforms that enable researchers and innovators to collaborate, share, and multiply their contributions towards the SDGs.

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Places are limited!

The seats for Workshops and Kick-off Sessions for SDG Working Groups are limited! You can sign up for them during your registration process. Guarantee your seat and register now!

- WAITRO Member Registration: USD 200.00
- Non-WAITRO Member Registration: USD 300.00

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CARIRI Corporate Innovation Conference 2022

The WAITRO member [CARIRI](#) is looking for a virtual speaker for their Innovation Conference, taking place on October 28. The area of expertise is innovation in a corporate setting, e.g. innovation services, processes, procedures, products, etc.

Should you wish to discuss this further, kindly reach out to Ms. Jessica Ramoutar at iramoutar@cariri.com

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