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Think-tankers to gather at Unisa for the T20 South Africa 2025 Mid-Term Conference

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The University of South Africa (Unisa) Vice-Chancelor and Principal will deliver the opening remarks at the T20 South Africa 2025 Mid-Term Conference, taking place from 19–20 June 2025 at Unisa's Muckleneuk Campus in Pretoria.

The conference will be hosted by the Institute for Global Dialogue (IGD), in collaboration with Unisa, the South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA), and the Institute for Pan-African Thought and Conversation (IPATC). The IGD, SAIIA and IPATC have been appointed by the G20 Presidency as the official Secretariat of the T20 South Africa engagement group.

Over the two-day conference, T20 Task Forces and G20 representatives will participate in a series of panel discussions and roundtables exploring the thematic priorities of the T20 and the broader G20 agenda. Key focus areas include building global solidarity, tackling inequality, and addressing poverty. In addition, representatives from the Women 20 (W20), Civil 20 (C20), and Youth 20 (Y20) engagement groups will participate to ensure inclusive contributions to the policy dialogue.

A highlight of the 2025 Mid-Term Conference will be the panel discussion, 'Reflection on Global Inequality and the Role of the G20', featuring G20 Working Group Leads for an engagingT20-G20 discussion on global issues. This session, will dissect the multidimensional nature of global inequality, focusing on critical issues facing Africa and the Global South such as illicit financial flows, food insecurity, poverty, global tax reform, and efforts to reduce inequality.

The T20 South Africa, under the theme 'Consolidate and Sustain', is committed to generating high-impact, solutions-oriented, and implementation-focused policy recommendations to inform the G20 agenda. The conference process enables direct engagement between think tanks and policymakers across G20 structures, ensuring that the T20's inputs are timely, relevant, and actionable. This approach builds on the momentum established by Brazil and other recent G20 presidencies, strengthening the T20's role in shaping global policy outcomes.

The T20 Mid-Term Conference is a flagship event on the T20 calendar, offering an essential platform for collaboration and knowledge exchange ahead of the official T20 Summit in November 2025.

Date: 19 – 20 June 2025

Time: 14:30pm (19 June); 9am (20th June)

Venue: Functions Hall, 4th Floor, Kgorong Building,1 Preller Street, Muckleneuk Ridge, Pretoria

Selected sessions can be followed virtually via the T20 YouTube livestream: https://www.youtube.com/@Think20SouthAfrica/streams

View the programme here: https://t20southafrica.org/events/t20-south-africa-midterm-conference/



Members of the media who wish to attend and cover the conference must contact the Communications team at media@saiia.org.za.

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