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3rd March 2020

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TIME	TOPIC
09:00	Registration
10:00	Welcome Remarks: Programme Director Wendy Green: Energy Development Specialist - DRA Nexus
10:10	Address 1 Gender balance - the path to parity in the energy sector Edith Wanjohi: Gender Advisor Southern Africa Energy Program: Power Africa
10:20	Address 2 How the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy supports women in the energy sector Elizabeth Marabwa: Chief Director, DMRE
10:30	Keynote Address Nthabiseng Kubheka: Regional Services Executive, GE Steam Power - SSA
11:00	REFRESHMENTS
11:30	Address 3: What support is available to women in Africa from global business networks Monica Maduekwe: Resource Mobilisation, ECOWAS Founder, PUTTRU
11:45	Address 4: How I made it in the energy sector Tebogo Movundlela: CEO Aurora Wind Power, Engie Southern Africa
12:00	Panel Discussion 1 What does the renewable energy and energy efficiency sectors offer for women? How can women take advantage of the opportunities in the sector? To fuel economic growth and support its growing population, Africa needs power. Renewable energy technologies and distributed infrastructure are playing an increasingly important role in the continent's energy mix. The International Energy Agency (IEA) expects demand for electricity in sub-Saharan Africa to rise considerably faster than the region's GDP growth for at least the next 25 years. Fulfilling that demand will require electricity production in the region to increase by a factor of more than three by 2040 to 1,300 terawatt hours. What does the



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Moderator: Mokgadi Modise, Acting Deputy Director General (Clean Energy) DMRE

Panel Members:

- **Andre Otto: SANEDI**
- **Mandisa Mkhize: Green Cape**
- **Katherine Persson: Windlab East Africa**
- **Ntombifuthi Ntuli: CEO of SAWEA**
- **Elizabeth Futama: South Africa IPP Office**
- **Libby Hirshon: BioTherm Energy**

13:00

Lunch, Networking break & Exhibition visit

14:00

Panel Discussion 2:

Gender mainstreaming in the Energy Sector: How to get it right

Women can be the game-changers in the Africa sector. What can women do to change the status quo? Research suggests that involving more women at senior level in the energy sector and ensuring that more women participate in vital decision-making and problem-solving discussions, will go a long way towards helping to find meaningful solutions to aid the energy sector

**Moderator: Faith Mkhacwa, Project Manager
National Cleaner Production Centre South Africa (NCPC-SA)**

Panel Members:

- **Valerie Geen: National Coordinator - UNIDO**
- **Lisa Reynolds :Executive Director - Green Building Design**
- **Dr Tsakani Mthombeni: Vice President - Group Head of Energy and Carbon Gold Fields**
- **Betsy Ings: Founder - Siyaloba Training Academy**

Networking break

15:15

15:45

Panel Discussion 3:

Growing your energy business and access to Markets and funding.

Energy sector offers various opportunities but access to markets and opportunities has been a challenge. How can women break this ceiling?

Moderator: Ipeleng Selele: Group CEO, RRS Investment

Panel Members:

- **Rindie Cloete: Ki Energy Africa**
- **Kaashifah Beukes - Saldanha Bay IDZ**
- **Mphokolo Makara: Rand Merchant Bank**



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- Sharon Nyobole: Koeberg Nuclear Power Station
- Omphile Modibela: NTP Radioisotopes
- Vivian Ramathuba: BRICS Bank/ National Development Bank

17:00

Closing remarks
Wendy Green: DRA Global