



African Women in Data Science Conference Programme 29 August 2024

08:45 AM - 09:00 AM: Registration

Session 1: Welcome and Plenary Session

- 09:00 AM - 09:10 AM: Opening Remarks and Welcome - **Prof Florence Mataruse** (ZIMSA)
- Plenary Sessions:
 - **Facilitator: Dr Chipso Zidana**
 - 09:10 AM - 09:50 AM: Plenary 1: State of Data Science in South Africa - **Prof Inger Fabris-Rotelli**
 - 09:50 AM - 10:30 AM: Plenary 2: Careers in Data Science - **Nollie Maoto**

10:30 AM - 10:45 AM: Comfort Break

Session 2: Community Involvement and Mentorship

- **Facilitators: Monika Gondo & Juliet Masvaure**
- 10:45 AM - 11:10 AM: Talk: Data Science and Community Engagement - **Simisani Ndaba**
- 11:10 AM - 11:35 AM: Talk: Career Development and Mentorship in Data Science - **Miranda Chidemo**

Session 3: Challenges and Opportunities

- **Facilitators: Tatenda Magoba & Caroline Mutohoda**
- 11:35 AM - 12:00 PM: Talk: Data Handling Ethics - **Nyaradzo Musenza**
- 12:00 PM - 12:25 PM: Talk: Challenges and Opportunities through Data Science - **Pendo Manjele**
- 12:25 PM - 12:50 PM: Talk: Opportunities for African Women Data Scientists - **Tatenda Matika**

12:50 PM - 01:05 PM: Lunch Break

Session 4: Applications and Entrepreneurship

- **Facilitators: Tariro Kambeu & Linda & Oyelami**
- **01:05 PM - 01:35 PM:** Talk: Data Science Applications in African Context - Musa Mbedzi
- **01:35 PM - 01:50 PM:** Talk: Data Science Entrepreneurship in Africa. Personal Journey - Bilikisu Olatinju

Session 4: Panel Discussion: Data Science Education

- **Facilitator: Dr Chipo Zidana**
- **02:00 PM - 03:00 PM:** Panellists:
 - Dr Danielle Jade Roberts
 - Prof Verah Otiende
 - Prof G. Kabanda

03:00 PM - 03:05 PM: Closing Remarks and Networking