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The South African Reserve Bank (SARB) and the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) invite members of the media to the official launch of the 2025 G20 TechSprint – a joint initiative between the G20 Presidency and the BIS Innovation Hub.

The TechSprint is a global innovation challenge calling for best-in-class technological solutions to address common challenges and key priorities of the global regulatory and central banking community.

Now in its sixth year, the 2025 G20 TechSprint competition invites developers, fintechs and innovators to submit solutions that catalyse trust and integrity in scalable and open finance.

The focus areas of this year's TechSprint are not only globally relevant but also align with Africa's priorities and reflect the themes of South Africa's G20 Presidency – including digital inclusion, small and medium-sized enterprise growth, and cross-border trade.

The event will feature remarks by Governor Lesetja Kganyago, BIS General Manager Agustín Carstens and Deputy Governor Mampho Modise.

A panel discussion featuring experts from the SARB, BIS and the private sector fintech community will also form part of the programme.

The launch will be live streamed on the <u>SARB's Youtube channel.</u>

Media are invited to attend and cover the event. Interview opportunities will be available.

## Event details:

**Date:** 6 May 2025 **Time:** 08:30 for 09:00 **Venue:** The Maslow Hotel (Rivonia Rd, Grayston Dr, Gauteng, Sandton, 2146)

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