

Advancing Cross-Border Payments Conference

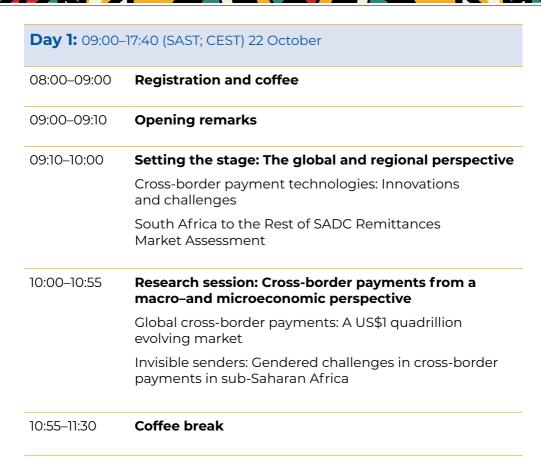
Opportunities and challenges for sub-Saharan Africa

22-23 October 2025













Day 1:	09:00-17:40	(SAST: CEST)	22 October
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11:30–12:25	Research session: The interaction between migration and international remittances
	Migration and cross-border payments: Analysing remittance dynamics in sub-Saharan Africa
	Remittance behaviours among selected Nigerian and Ethiopian migrant communities
12:25–13:30	Lunch
13:30–14:25	Policy panel: How to unlock cross-border payments in sub-Saharan Africa?
14:25–15:20	Research session: Drivers of cross-border payments in the region
	An empirical analysis of factors that influence informal cross-border money payments in the SADC region
	Inbound and outbound remittances in WAEMU countries: Exploring the dynamics and the main drivers
15:20–15:45	Coffee break
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16:40–17:35	Policy panel: Trust and transparency – leveraging payments pre-validation and confirmation of payee solutions
17:35–17:40	Closing of Day 1
18:00–20:00	Cocktail function

Day	2: 08:45–15:30	(SAST-CEST	23 October
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08:00-08:45	Registration and coffee
08:45–09:00	Keynote remarks on the South African G20 Presidency priorities
09:00–09:50	Setting the stage: Shaping payments and digital finance
	Retail payments evolution: The rise of instant payments
	The impact of digital finance channels on saving and investment decisions in South Africa
09:50–10:45	Policy panel: Interoperability and innovation – connecting existing infrastructures or starting from scratch
10:45–11:05	Coffee break





Day 2: 08:45	-15:30 (SAST; CEST) 23 October
11:05–12:00	Policy panel: Cross-border payment opportunities and challenges – perspectives from market stakeholders
12:00–12:55	Research session: Measuring what matters – leveraging granular data to drive change in cross- border payments
	Understanding cost patterns in remittance corridors of sub-Saharan Africa: A data-driven analysis of infrastructure and inclusion gaps
	Decoding cross-border payment flows in sub-Saharan Africa: A high-frequency analysis of granular platform data
12:55–13:00	Closing reflections and key takeaways
13:00–14:30	Lunch and end of the conference