

# Biennial Conference

# 2023



31 August - 1 September

Cape Town International Convention Centre

## Post-crisis lessons and policy challenges

This year's conference brings together international thought leaders to reflect on the main challenges being faced by central banks and macroeconomic policymakers in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and new challenges to economic growth.

## Agenda

### Day 1: Thursday, 31 August 2023

09:00-09:15 Welcome and opening

**Lesetja Kganyago**  
Governor  
South African Reserve Bank

09:15-11:00 Session 1: Back to target? Monetary policy in advanced economies

Speaker **Raphael Bostic**  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Speaker **Huw Pill**  
Chief Economist and Executive Director for  
Monetary Analysis and Research  
Bank of England

Speaker **Giovanni Ricco**  
Professor of Economics  
École Polytechnique and the University of Warwick

Q&A  
Chair: **Rashad Cassim**  
Deputy Governor  
South African Reserve Bank

11:00-11:30 Tea break

## Day 1: Thursday, 31 August 2023 (continued)

11:30–12:15	Session 2: Global finance and growth	
	Speaker	<b>Atif Mian</b> Professor of Economics Princeton University
	Q&A	Chair: <b>Christopher Loewald</b> Head: Economic Research Department South African Reserve Bank
12:15–13:15	Lunch	
13:15–15:00	Session 3: Re-attaining macroeconomic stability: challenges for emerging economies	
	Speaker	<b>Fabrizio Zampolli</b> Head of Emerging Markets Bank for International Settlements
	Speaker	<b>Refet Gürkaynak</b> Professor of Economics Bilkent University
	Speaker	<b>Pierre Siklos</b> Professor of Economics Wilfrid Laurier University and the Balsillie School of International Affairs
	Q&A	Chair: <b>Kuben Naidoo</b> Deputy Governor South African Reserve Bank
15:00–15:30	Break	
15:30–17:15	Session 4: The role of climate change adaptation and mitigation in economic growth	
	Speaker	<b>Luiz de Mello</b> Director of the Policy Studies Branch of the Economics Department Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
	Speaker	<b>Suzi Kerr</b> Senior Vice President and Chief Economist Environmental Defense Fund
	Q&A	Chair: <b>Fundi Tshazibana</b> Deputy Governor and Chief Executive Officer of the Prudential Authority South African Reserve Bank
18:30–21:30	Cocktail reception at the Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa	

## Day 2: Friday, 1 September 2023

08:15–09:15 PhD session (Venue: Second Floor, Daisy Room)

Speaker **Shocks and bubble detection**  
**Lauren van Jaarsveld**  
South African Reserve Bank

Speaker **Local currency risk on South African government bonds**  
**Mulalo Maburu**  
South African Reserve Bank

Q&A  
Chair: **Monique Reid**  
Lead Economist: Economic Research Department  
South African Reserve Bank

09:30–10:30 Session 5: South Africa in focus: how to improve fiscal and monetary policy coordination

Speaker **Nicola Viegi**  
SARB Chair in Monetary Policy Studies and  
Head: Department of Economics  
University of Pretoria

Speaker **Edgar Sishi**  
Head: Budget Office  
National Treasury

Speaker **Thabi Leoka**  
Independent Economist

Q&A  
Chair: **Christopher Loewald**  
Head: Economic Research Department  
South African Reserve Bank

10:30–11:00 Break

11:00–11:45 Session 6: The global economy

Speaker **Gita Gopinath**  
First Deputy Managing Director  
International Monetary Fund

Q&A  
Chair: **Fundi Tshazibana**  
Deputy Governor and Chief Executive Officer  
of the Prudential Authority  
South African Reserve Bank

11:45–12:00 Break

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12:00–13:00 Governor’s Panel: Shaping the global policy trajectory

Panellist **Lesetja Kganyago**  
Governor  
South African Reserve Bank

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13:00–14:00 Event closure and lunch