



Gauteng Undercover Farming Conference and Expo

Conference Program

25 & 26 March 2026

CSIR International Convention Centre, Pretoria

Wednesday 26 February 2025	
08:00 – 09:15	Registration: ALL DELGATES & EXHIBITORS – Network on Expo Floor Coffee/Tea & Network Session
09:15 - 09:30	Welcome: Suzanne Oosthuizen, Programme Director: Undercover Farming Conference and Expo
09:30 - 10:15	Jonathan Yudelman – Vegtech/Netafim "New Technology Plastic For Greenhouses"
10:15 - 11:00	Kobus Pienaar – Woolworths "Farming for the Future - The Principals of Regenerative Farming"
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee/Tea & Network Session
11:30 - 12:15	Orion Theron – Hishtil "Trends and advancements in grafted Cucurbits"
12:15 - 13:00	Marc Slabber - Talborne Organics "Back to Basics - Optimal Nutrition & Soil Health leads to Success"
13:00 - 13:30	Exhibitors Introduction Session
13:30 - 14:30	LUNCH (Registered Delegates & Exhibitors Only)
14:30 - 15:15	Paul Makube - FNB Agriculture "SA Agriculture: Are we still relevant? How can farmers (no matter the size) survive in a fast-changing environment?"
15:15 - 16:00	Peter Thorpe - Andermatt Madur "Biologicals and Biostimulants pertaining to Root and Plant Health"
16:00 - 17:00	Coffee/Tea - Network Session
Thursday 27 February 2025	
08:00 – 09:30	Registration: NEW DELGATES – Network on Expo Floor Coffee/Tea & Network Session
09:30 - 10:15	Tom Murray – Woolworths "Lightyears Ahead?"
10:15 - 11:00	Christi Venter - Global G.A.P "The new GLOBAL G.A.P. IFA v6 - what to expect"
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee/Tea & Network Session
11:30 – 12:15	Andrie Wiese – Hollard "Resilience is a requirement"
12:15 - 13:00	Andries Meiring - Meiring Structures "The benefit of growing under shade-net"
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH - (Registered Delegates & Exhibitors Only)
14:00 - 14:45	Jonathan Adams – Vegtech/Netafim "Alternative Energy Solutions"
14:45 - 15:30	Nico Uys – Ezolimo Organics "Biostimulants – Old or New Alternative in Agriculture"
15:30 - 16:15	Herbert Stolker – Delphy "How does a feasible Vegetable Greenhouse project look like"
16:15 - 17:00	Coffee/Tea - Network Session