



BRICS INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT SYMPOSIUM

DRAFT PROGRAMME

DAY 1

28 SEPTEMBER 2023

TIME	PROGRAMME/AGENDA ITEM
12:00 – 12:30	OPENING SESSION KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY MINISTER OF FINANCE, SOUTH AFRICA
12:30 – 14:30	SESSION 1: UNPACKING THE INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT LANDSCAPE: OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS <p>The session will discuss current trends in infrastructure investments across the BRICS countries; common barriers to infrastructure development and the uptake of private sector participation; and explore opportunities that may be leveraged to improve outcomes. The goal is to increase the scale and pace of infrastructure investments.</p>
14:30 – 14:45	BREAK
14:45 – 16:15	SESSION 2: PARTNERSHIP MODELS TO SUPPORT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT <p>The session will use BRICS country case studies to discuss how PPP and blended finance instruments can be promoted as effective partnership models and what underpins their success. Further, the session will explore other partnership models that can enable greater private sector participation and what regulatory reforms it would take to enable these.</p>
16:15 – 16:30	WRAP-UP AND CLOSURE

DAY 2

29 SEPTEMBER 2023

TIME	PROGRAMME/AGENDA ITEM
12:00 – 12:10	OPENING SESSION
12:10 – 13:10	SESSION 3: SHOWCASING THE USE OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES TO ADDRESS INFRASTRUCTURE PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT ISSUES

The session will use the SOURCE platform to highlight the tools, approaches and practices that are needed to develop a robust pipeline of investable projects and programmes. The session will also explore the upstream areas that need to be strengthened to facilitate greater private sector participation.

13:10 – 14:10

SESSION 4: FINANCING GREEN, TRANSITION AND SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS

The session will delve into the importance of adapting existing and building new infrastructure that not only withstands the impacts of climate change, but also helps to transition towards a sustainable and inclusive economy. The use of green, transition and sustainable finances and how these can be unlocked, unpacking the key prerequisites and trade-offs that must be considered will also be discussed.

14:10 – 14:30

BREAK

14:30 – 15:30

SESSION 5: THE ROLE OF THE NDB IN SUPPORTING BRICS COUNTRIES ADVANCE THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE AGENDAS

The role of the NDB in advancing the infrastructure agenda of emerging and developing economies
The session will unpack the role that the NDB can play in advancing the infrastructure development agenda and plans of the BRICS countries. The session will also discuss the evolving MDB landscape and how the NDB can work closely with other MDBs and stakeholders to advance the agenda of emerging and developing economies.

15:30 – 16:15

OPEN DISCUSSION

16:15 – 16:30

CLOSING REMARKS
