

THE NATIONAL BURSARY SUPPORT PROVIDERS FORUM Hosts

THIRD ANNUAL CONFERENCE – JOHANNESBURG JUNE 4-5 2024
SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS PROGRAMME
TUESDAY 4TH JUNE 2024

8.30 AM - 9.00 AM

Confirmed

Arrival and registration



9.00 AM - 9.15 PM

Confirmed

Opening and Welcoming

Welcome and introductions – Russell Davies
(Chair of NBSPP)



9.15AM - 10.00 PM

Confirmed

Keynote address

Dr David Harrison (CEO DG Murray Trust)



10.45 AM - 11.15 AM

Confirmed

2ND Keynote speaker

Prof. Francis Petersen (Vice Chancellor University
of Free State and Chair of USAF - Universities of
South Africa)



10.45 AM - 11.15 AM

Confirmed

Tea Break



11.15 AM - 12.45 PM

Confirmed

First breakaway session

Academic advising – Academic advising /
Opportunities for better collaboration
between bursary providers and HEIs - Prof
Francois Strydom & Gugu Khanye (Centre for
Teaching & Learning – University of the Free
State)

Or

**Male under participation and under
performance** – contextualising / why and
what can be done / help seeking. Prof
Servaas van der Berg (South African
National Research Chair & Stellenbosch
University)



12.45AM - 13.30 PM

Confirmed

Lunch



13.30 - 15.00 PM

Confirmed

Second breakaway session

Mental Wellness – prevention/ early
intervention / encouraging healthy habits,
dealing with stress and anxiety – StudyTrust

Or

Lessons on effective student recruitment –
predictors of success? Analytics? Importance
of school preparation. Moshal, Umthombo,
REAP



15.00 PM - 15.20 PM

Confirmed

Tea Break



15.15PM - 16.45 PM

Confirmed

Third breakaway session

**Integrating Effective Tutoring: The
Multi-Faceted Impact on Student Success** -
Excel@Uni, Edukat

Or

Gender based violence – how to make
campus safer spaces for women and LGBTQI.
Diversity and inclusion – Stephanie Hendry –
Programme Manager: Universities (Higher
Health)



4.45 PM

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Cocktail event



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WEDNESDAY JUNE 5TH

8.30 AM - 9.00 AM

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Arrival tea/coffee



9.00 AM - 9.15 PM

Confirmed

Brief recap of Day 1

9.15AM - 10.00 PM

Confirmed

Keynote speaker

The role of higher education in social mobility'
Dr Nicola Branson (Associate Professor – Southern Africa Labour & Development Research Unit - UCT)



10.00 AM - 10.45 AM

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Student panel



10.45 AM - 11.15 AM

Confirmed

Tea Break



11.15 AM - 12.45 PM

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Fourth breakaway session

Measuring student success – how would we know when we have done well? Comparing apples with apples. Cherry picking for easy wins vs tackling the hard issues - **Penny Morrell (Independent contractor) and Martin Mukwevho (ISFAP)**

Or

Staff wellness & retention – challenge & appreciation/reward, boundary setting, dealing with student trauma, constructive feedback.
Dr Francois Hugo (Executive Coach, Management & Organisational Consultant)



12.45 PM - 13.30 PM

Confirmed

Lunch



1.30PM - 3.00 PM

Confirmed

Final breakaway session

Converting a degree into a job – Working towards ensuring employability and creating employment opportunities post graduation. Sharing learnings from The Old Mutual Education Trust and Old Mutual collaboration.
Nikita Nair (Old Mutual Mass Foundation Cluster HR Business Partner) & Nosipho Nojavu Khumalo (The Old Mutual Education Trust World of Work Manager)

Or

NSFAS – the 'elephant' in the room. Student success, ROI and challenges. **Gugu Ihenacho (UP Senior Assistant Director: Financial Aid)**



3.00 PM

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Afternoon tea and close



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