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## INDUSTRY NEWS

**GROWTH AND EDUCATION KEY TO NDP, SAYS WORLD BANK** SA's hopes of fulfilling the National Development Plan (NDP) hinge on greater access to higher education and faster economic growth, says a report from the World Bank. *Sunita Menon, Business Day, 5 April 2018.*

**'88% OF COUNTRIES RESTRICT WOMEN'S ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY': WORLD BANK** The World Bank has found that the majority of the world's countries restrict women economically in some way, with 104 countries preventing women from doing the same work as men. *Megan Clement, Responsible Business, 5 April 2018.*

**CHINA JOINS THE WORLD GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL COMMUNITY** China's Green Building Council officially has partnered with the World Green Building Council in a major boost to international efforts to curb the environmental impact of the building and construction sectors, the two organizations announced. [Michael Holder, GreenBiz, 4 April 2018.](#)

**SA SIGNS RENEWABLE ENERGY CONTRACTS WITH IPP** South Africa has signed long-delayed renewable energy contracts worth about R55 billion with independent power producers (IPP) in the first major investment deal under President Cyril Ramaphosa. [Ray White, EWN, 4 April 2018.](#)

**RADEBE SAYS SIGNING OF 27 IPP AGREEMENTS A 'NEW DAWN' FOR RENEWABLES IN SOUTH AFRICA** Agreements opening the way for the construction of 27 renewable-energy independent power producer (IPP) projects, with a combined investment value of R56-billion and a combined capacity of 2 300 MW, were finally signed on Wednesday April 4, after a confidence-sapping delay of over two years. [Terence Creamer, Engineering News, 4 April 2018.](#)

**REDUCING COSTS FOR WIND FARMS** Global trends for cleaner, more sustainable energy sources are demanding a more substantive move towards renewables. In fact, the country's 20-year Integrated Resource Plan (IRP2010) states that about 42% of electricity generated in South Africa should be supplied from renewable resources. [BizCommunity, 4 April 2018.](#)

**DROUGHT-STRICKEN SOUTH AFRICA FACES WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING SHORTFALL** A new report estimates that South Africa will need to invest about R70.4-billion a year in water infrastructure investment over the next decade to address water scarcity and provide reliable water to all people, businesses and industries in South Africa. [Natasha Odendaal, Engineering News, 4 April 2018.](#)

**THE FIRST RHINO CALF OF WWF'S BLACK RHINO PROJECT'S 11TH POPULATION HAS BEEN SPOTTED JUST MONTHS AFTER THE GROUP'S RELOCATION** A black rhino mother has been spotted with her young calf, just months after she and 13 other rhinos from KwaZulu-Natal were relocated late last year. [WWF-SA, 3 April 2018.](#)

**SKILLS REVOLUTION WILL REDUCE POVERTY, INEQUALITY – DLAMINI-ZUMA** The Minister said more attention should be paid to SMMEs as a way of eliminating poverty, reducing inequality and addressing unemployment. [Makhosandile Zulu, The Citizen, 27 March 2018.](#)

## **NBI IN THE NEWS/NBI NEWS**

**PRESIDENT CYRIL RAMAPHOSA LAUNCHES YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE** [Read here.](#)

**APPROACHES TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION** Read NBI's latest Quick Brief: [26 March 2018.](#)

**ANDILE SANGQU, EXECUTIVE HEAD, ANGLO AMERICAN SA: SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA: WHAT ROLE DOES THE NBI PLAY?** [Watch video here.](#)

**AN UPDATE ON THE UNGC FROM THE NBI** Click [here.](#)

## NBI INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

Bringing you news and the latest research from our international partners

**CDP** CDP in South Africa is a long-standing partnership between the London-based CDP and the NBI. They have built the most comprehensive collection of self-reported environmental information in the world. Over the past 15 years CDP has created a system that has resulted in unparalleled engagement on environmental issues. Read their latest blog article entitled: *“Why forests and water are key to our sustainable future”*, [here](#).

**UNGC CEO WATER MANDATE** NBI partners with the CEO Water Mandate to encourage water stewardship in South Africa. Established by the UN Global Compact in 2007, and rooted in the belief that cross-sectoral collaboration on shared water goals is the most effective path to more sustainable water management, the CEO Water Mandate is a unique public-private initiative that mobilizes business leaders for water stewardship. Read their blog article entitled: *“How can hotels help end the water and sanitation crisis? Six steps for hotels to integrate water, sanitation and hygiene into water stewardship?”*, [here](#).

**WE MEAN BUSINESS (WMB)** NBI is the South African partner to WMB. WMB is a coalition of organizations working with thousands of the world’s most influential businesses and investors to accelerate the transition to a low carbon economy. Read their latest news article entitled: *“Influence Map releases its A-List of climate policy engagement”*, [here](#).

**WORLD BUSINESS COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (WBCSD)** NBI is the global partner of the WBCSD in South Africa. Read their latest news article entitled: *“Sustainable leadership in the Middle East – The Kuwaiti Danish Dairy Company joins WBCSD”*, [here](#).

## NBI MEMBER COMPANY NEWS

**MTN GROUP’S 2017 SUSTAINABILITY REPORT:** MTN Group’s digital dividends and responsibilities report on digital inclusion, innovation and enterprise transformation, and environmental, digital human rights, talent and workplace management was released on 29 March 2018. Click [here](#) to download the report with accompanying UN GRI 4 and UN Global Compact COP reports.

**SOUTH32 TAKES STEPS INTO PERU** Diversified miner South32 has signed an earn-in agreement with ASX-listed junior Inca Minerals over its Greater Riqueza project, in Peru. [Mining Weekly, 5 April 2018](#).

**CLICKS OPENS 500TH PHARMACY** Health and beauty retailer Clicks said on Thursday it had opened its 500th pharmacy at Park Station in central Johannesburg, underlining its position as South Africa’s largest retail pharmacy chain. [ENCA, 5 April 2018](#).

**TRAFIGURA SIGNS COBALT OFFTAKE DEAL WITH SHALINA RESOURCES SUBSIDIARY** Commodities trader Trafigura has signed an offtake agreement for cobalt hydroxide until December 2020 with Shalina Resources and its subsidiary Chemaf based in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Chemaf said in a statement on Wednesday. [Mining Weekly, 5 April 2018](#).

**ABB TECHNOLOGIES TO ENABLE EXPANSION OF SOLAR PARK IN DUBAI** Substation at Mohammed Bin Rashid solar park will strengthen Dubai's power grid and lower carbon footprint. [ABB, 3 April 2018.](#)

**COCA-COLA SA COMMITS TO R3.9BN SPEND WITH BLACK-OWNED COMPANIES** Coca-Cola Beverages SA (CCBSA) on Wednesday announced its commitment to divert R3.9 billion to assist black-owned and black women-owned organisations over the next three years. [IOL Business, 28 March 2018.](#)

**VODACOM FOUNDATION PIONEERS SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION THROUGH EDUCATION** The Vodacom Foundation is emulating Madiba's legacy by pioneering social transformation through education. [The Sowetan Live, 27 March 2018.](#)

**ABB WINS \$30 MILLION ORDER TO UPGRADE TWO CRITICAL AUSTRALIAN HVDC LINKS** Upgrades of historic Murraylink and the Directlink transmission connections will secure future power reliability and energy exchange. [ABB, 27 March 2018.](#)

**OLD MUTUAL ZIM REPORTS 139% GROWTH IN PAT** Zimbabwe's biggest financial services group, Old Mutual Zimbabwe, reported a strong set of results for the year ended December 31 2017 that showed significant growth across the board. [FIN24, 23 March 2018.](#)

**AB INBEV WILL INVEST \$100M IN NEW BREWERY IN TANZANIA** Global brewer Anheuser-Busch InBev (AB InBev) will invest \$100million (R1.2billion) in a new beer plant in the Tanzanian city of Dodoma, the government of Tanzania said on Tuesday. [IOL Business, 22 March 2018.](#)

**ANGLO AMERICAN PLATINUM COMMITS TO LOCAL COMMUNITY WATER PROVISION AT MOGALAKWENA MINE** Anglo American Platinum is pleased to announce that the company has embarked on a plan to address some of the water challenges in the Greater Mapela Region. [Anglo American, 22 March 2018.](#)

**PICK N PAY AND ABSA LAUNCH NEW STOKVEL SOLUTION** The move, which allows for stokvels to earn interest on savings, may prompt other retailers to follow suit. [Moneyweb, 20 March 2018.](#)

**GROWTHPOINT SEES GAUTENG EAST RAND AS HOTSPOT FOR INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES** Gauteng's East Rand was a hotspot for industrial property leasing in 2017, says Growthpoint Properties, which concluded 70 deals – 40 new and 30 renewals – in the area during the year. [Engineering News, 20 March 2018.](#)

**FNB TO ENTER SHORT-TERM INSURANCE MARKET** The Financial Services Board has awarded FirstRand, the parent company of First National Bank, a short-term insurance license. [FIN24, 19 March 2018.](#)

**WESTERN CAPE EMSS AWARDS THEIR TOP GRADUATES** Engen's Maths and Science Schools (EMSS) held an awards ceremony held at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> to celebrate the outstanding results of their top graduates. [Engen, 3 March 2018.](#)

## WESTERN CAPE WATER CRISIS

**NBI'S DROUGHT TASK FORCE: WATER SAVING EFFORTS MUST CONTINUE** This is the key message from the City of Cape Town. Every drop saved now can help avert Day Zero in 2018 and 2019. As summarised by the Climate

System Analysis Group (CSAG) at UCT: “The approaching autumn and winter season in Cape Town is being keenly awaited to see if it will bring sufficient rain to end, or at least alleviate, the drought. If the rains are above average, the city should be able to avoid Day Zero next year. But if they’re below average, it will be very hard to do so.” (CSAG, March 2018). Unfortunately seasonal forecasts are currently unable to accurately predict the likely rainfall levels in the coming winter, making planning more difficult. As it stands the Western Cape dam levels sit at just 22%, and the agricultural sector has already taken a huge knock as a result of the drought. Water saving remains the best form of resilience at the Western Cape’s disposal. You can also read the full CSAG article [here](#). For more information please contact [Alex McNamara](#)

**MOODY'S MAINTAINS NEGATIVE OUTLOOK AS CAPE TOWN'S WATER CRISIS LOOMS** Moody's maintained its negative outlook on the City of Cape Town, which is battling a severe water shortage. [African Review, 4 April 2018.](#)

**CAPE TOWN WATER CONSUMPTION 'STABILISED' - DEPUTY MAYOR** Water use in the City of Cape Town has stabilised at lower levels compared to the beginning of the year, Deputy Mayor Ian Neilson said on Wednesday. [Tammy Petersen, News24, 4 April 2018.](#)

**WWF WEDNESDAY WATER FILE #10: NATURE FOR WATER** Most of us access water via our taps and, until there’s a crisis, don’t give much thought to where it actually comes from. [WWF-SA. 21 March 2018.](#)

**Below some useful resources to assist in the water conservation journey:**

- [Water Saving Toolkits](#): water and drought-related materials e.g. posters and guides
- [How to save water in your business or organisation](#), including a building water usage poster and guide
- [Summary Guidelines for Alternative Water Installations](#), and [apply here](#) to install and use such systems
- [Water Rationing Guide](#)
- [Safe Use of Greywater booklet](#): how to use greywater safely at home or work
- [GreenCape’s drought business support service](#)

## NOTICES, REPORTS, OPINION AND SURVEYS

**APPLICATIONS FOR THE MASTER’S IN DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE ARE NOW OPEN** Africa needs development practitioners in government, business and civil society who understand the complexity of developmental challenges and who have the leadership capacities to design and implement the integrated and multidisciplinary Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The University of Pretoria’s **Master’s in Development Practice (MDP@UP)** addresses this need by delivering graduates with the knowledge, leadership competence and technical skills needed to implement the SDGs. [Further information.](#)

**CAPE TOWN’S FIRST EVER GREEN BOND WINS ITS MAIDEN INTERNATIONAL AWARD** As Cape Town increases its efforts to adapt to the threat of climate change, the city’s first-ever Green Bond initiative has scooped an international accolade. [The South African, 3 April 2018.](#)

**FEMALE TOWNSHIP ENTREPRENEURS EMPOWERED THROUGH GAUTENG ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME** A group of women from Soweto, Tembisa and Mamelodi graduated from the Gauteng Township

Retail Enterprise Development programme, which aims to empower female entrepreneurs involved within the township retail industry. [BizCommunity, 3 April 2018.](#)

**THE MYTH OF 'REVERSE RACISM'** The charges of racism and "reverse racism" are flying like a swarm of locusts over South Africa. [Max du Preez, News24, 3 April 2018.](#)

**SOUTH AFRICA MUST FIGHT FOR THE FREEDOM OF OUR WOMEN** Last week's parliamentary questions revealed an overriding concern for the lot of women in our country. [David Mabuza, News24, 1 April 2018.](#)

**CALLING ALL WOMEN IN BUSINESS TO ENTER FOR CAPE AWARDS** The Businesswoman's Association (BWA) is on the hunt for nominees for its annual Regional Business Achievers Awards. [Cape Talk, 26 March 2018.](#)

**YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INAUGURAL BUSINESS DAY SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT AWARDS** where we recognize and celebrate businesses committed to building thriving, inclusive and transformed supply chains. The Business Day Supplier Development Awards welcomes entries from corporates, parastatals, government institutions and smaller QSE businesses. Please note that applying to the Supplier development Awards is free. [Website.](#)

**WBCSD CEO GUIDE TO WATER:** Water is not only key to the world's stability, prosperity and peace, but is also essential for business to operate. WBCSD's new [CEO Guide to Water](#) makes the case for executive business action on water and outlines key steps for business to take.

**INTEGRATING SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT EQUITY AND B-BBEE** "Effective Skills Development, Employment Equity and Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) based transformation are three key business imperatives for companies doing business in South Africa. This fact sheet discusses the inter-relatedness of these three transformational groups of legislation and strategies and presents several practical and innovative approaches and guidelines that companies should consider adopting to gain competitive advantage from the successful implementation of a sustainable and effective skills development, Employment Equity and B-BBEE transformation strategy in your organisation. [Download Fact Sheet.](#)

**NEW WBCSD CEO GUIDE HIGHLIGHTS WHY BUSINESS MUST MANAGE WATER WISELY TO BECOME RESILIENT** The World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) recently launched the [CEO Guide to Water: building resilient business](#) - a new resource making the case for executive business action on water and outlining key steps for business to take to sustainably manage water.

## NBI EVENTS 2018

**CDP CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER WORKSHOPS 2018 – JOHANNESBURG, CAPE TOWN AND DURBAN IN APRIL 2018** The CDP workshops will provide companies with feedback on key outcomes from the 2017 CDP reporting round and give companies an update on what to expect for 2018. The workshops will focus on: The past performance of CDP responding companies, updates on the CDP process this year, including the scoring methodology and common errors in responding, an update on Science Based Targets and TCFD requirements; and CDP's 'Reimagining Disclosure' project, including the introduction of sector-based questionnaires. RSVP for

either the Johannesburg, Cape Town or Durban workshops by clicking on the following links. You are welcome to attend both the CDP Climate Change and CDP Water workshops or to attend only the CDP Programme that is most relevant to you. **Johannesburg: Tuesday, 17 April 2018**, **Cape Town: Wednesday, 18 April 2018** and **Durban: Thursday, 19 April 2018**. Should you require further information on the workshops, please contact **Sindile Dlamini**. Note that venues are still to be advised but the workshops will run each morning from 10:00 to 13:00. In addition, the NBI continues to provide support with regards to the activation of the online response system (ORS) for companies to access the CDP information request. Please direct any enquiries to **Hemal Bhana**.

**THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SERIES: THE STATE OF TRANSFORMATION Tuesday, 17 April 2018 at FutureSpace in Sandton.** The National Business Initiative (NBI) is hosting a Thought Leadership Series Dialogue on Transformation to unpack where South Africa is in addressing inequality and inequity. This Thought Leadership Series dialogue builds on the previous one that looked at businesses' contribution in driving economic and social transformation. Our contributors will explore the journey South Africa has taken in working towards creating an equitable and inclusive society, and highlight the persisting and existing challenges that remain, looking at the key drivers and factors, as well as unpacking the data and trends. If you are an NBI Member company please RSVP by clicking **here**.

**APPLYING A SCIENCE-BASED TARGET METHODOLOGY IN THE SOUTH AFRICAN CONTEXT taking place in Cape Town on Tuesday, 24 April 2018 at the Westin Hotel and in Johannesburg on Thursday, 26 April 2018 at FutureSpace, Sandton.** The National Business Initiative (NBI), in partnership with WWF and We Mean Business, is hosting an exclusive seminar that will assist South African companies in implementing science based targets. The Science Based Targets initiative is a partnership between CDP, the UN Global Compact, WWF and World Resources Institute that aims to provide companies with a platform to set emissions reduction targets that are in line with the level of decarbonisation required to keep the global temperature increase below 2° C. Whilst the content of this seminar will be largely technical in nature, the introduction will include a quick refresher on the rationale behind setting science based targets and the methodologies available. This is an NBI member only event. Click **here** if you wish to attend the Cape Town workshop and **here** for the Johannesburg one.

## **SOUTH AFRICAN EVENTS 2018**

**ABB CUSTOMER WORLD 2018 AFRICA DRIVING AFRICA'S GROWTH BY MASTERING THE ENERGY AND INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTIONS 10 to 11 April 2018 Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg.** ABB Customer World brings together professionals from utilities, industries and infrastructure for a premier educational and collaboration event in South Africa. We have built an experience to deliver you an innovative look at new ideas, trends and technologies that will impact the way your company moves forward in a rapidly changing business landscape. **Further information.**

**NEXT GENERATION'S 2018 RESEARCH REPORT LAUNCH 5 April 2018 Durbanville, Western Cape and 12 April 2018 Sunninghill, Johannesburg.** Next Generation provides trusted guidance for high-impact social investment, innovation and development. With this year's trend research report release, we're celebrating 15 years of benchmarking trends in the social investment and development sectors. **Register here.**

**IMBEWU WILL BE HOSTING A FULL-DAY LEGAL TRAINING WORKSHOP FOCUSED ON COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: WASTE ACT 59 OF 2008 on 10 April 2018 Parkwood, Johannesburg and in Cape Town on 4 May 2018 at Intaka Island Eco Centre, Century City.** The

workshop will cover: waste management activities and licensing requirements; the implications of on-site storage, sorting, shredding etc. of waste; the duty of care and the contaminated land provisions; compliance action taken by government and case studies; offences, including director liability, and what steps must be taken in the event of unlawful action; and the future of waste management in South Africa. [Programme](#) and [Booking Form](#).

**INVITE: CARBON TAX ESSENTIALS BREAKFAST EVENT 12 April 2018 at The Maslow Hotel, Sandton.** The Climate Neutral Group is hosting a breakfast-workshop during which it will present all essential carbon tax elements companies and organisations should understand. Participants are then invited to engage in an informal discussion about the topic, allowing them to identify concerns and ask questions on carbon tax-related matters. [CNG Website](#).

**MAKING HR MORE RELEVANT IN THE ORGANISATION'S OF THE FUTURE 17 April 2018 at GIBS, Illovo.** As we face the fourth industry revolution - HR and business leaders are compelled to rewrite the rules to how they organize, recruit, develop, manage and engage with the 21st century workforce. [GIBS website](#).

**INTERNATIONALLY CERTIFIED COURSE ON INTEGRATED REPORTING (PRACTITIONERS' LEVEL) 18 to 19 April 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** Offered jointly by ESS and ENACT. For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone **082 395 7582**.

**EXPLORING THE WORLD OF AQUA REPUBLICA 19 April 2018 at the Willows, Pretoria, Gauteng.** Join us for an exciting day using serious gaming to improve integrated water resource management. [More information](#).

**GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REPORTING COURSE 2 May 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone: **082 395 7582**. Offered in collaboration with Carbon Check SA.

**CARBON TAX 101 COURSE 3 May 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone: **082 395 7582**. Offered in collaboration with Carbon Check SA.

**ISO 14064 FOUNDATION COURSE, 14 to 18 May 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone **082 395 7582**. Offered in collaboration with Carbon Check SA

**INTERNATIONALLY CERTIFIED GRI SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING STANDARDS COURSE FOLLOWED BY THE WORKSHOP ON GRI DISCLOSURES (Performance Indicators) 29 to 31 May 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone: **082 395 7582**.

**THE IWA WATER LOSS SPECIALIST GROUP, TOGETHER WITH CITY OF CAPE TOWN, WILL HOST THE BIENNIAL WATER LOSS CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT from 7 to 9 May 2018 at the Century City Conference Centre and Hotel in Cape Town, South Africa.** The Water Loss Conference and Exhibition 2018 will be one of the world's largest water loss conferences and is expected to attract over 500 participants from more than 50 countries. Many of the world's leading experts in the field of Non-Revenue Water Management will be present and will

discuss the latest developments, strategies, techniques and applications of international best practices as well as successful case studies. [Conference Website](#).

**TRIALOGUE BUSINESS IN SOCIETY CONFERENCE TO ADDRESS KEY THEMES IN CSI AND RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS 8 to 9 May 2018 The Wanderers Club, Johannesburg.** The keynote address will be presented by the former public protector, Professor Thuli Madonsela, now the chair of social justice at Stellenbosch University's law faculty. Bonang Mohale, CEO of Business Leadership South Africa, will also share insights at this industry-leading event. [BizCommunity website](#).

**INTERNATIONALLY CERTIFIED GRI SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING STANDARDS COURSE** followed by the Workshop on GRI Disclosures (Performance Indicators) based on the new Standards **29 to 31 May 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone **082 395 7582**.

**SCENARIO PLANNING AND STRATEGIC THINKING 30 May to 1 June at GIBS, Illovo.** Are you sufficiently prepared for a range of alternative future scenarios your organisation could face? Learn how to build an effective scenario plan and think strategically in a complex and uncertain environment. [GIBS Website](#).

**TRAINING PROGRAMME IN OCEAN GOVERNANCE FOR AFRICA 3 to 28 September 2018 at SANBI, Kirstenbosch, Cape Town.** The IOI-SA will be running the annual course in Ocean Governance for Africa in collaboration with the South African International Maritime Institute (SAIMI), the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI), and other partners in September 2018. E-mail your **application** by **13<sup>th</sup> April 2018** to: [Shampton@ioisa.org](mailto:Shampton@ioisa.org) or [Hampton.shannon@gmail.com](mailto:Hampton.shannon@gmail.com). Please also refer to the [IOI-SA Web page](#) for further information and any updates.

**UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP (CISL) SA: SUSTAINABILITY PRACTITIONER PROGRAMME 5 to 8 August 2018 at INTUNDLA, PRETORIA.** Inviting managers in the private or public sector to influence and guide their organisation to take an integrated approach to sustainability across all functions. The programme is widely regarded as the most effective of its kind. Designed for those specifically charged with driving sustainability in their organisation, this programme provides access to the latest data on the global challenges facing us, tools and frameworks for action, and bold business responses from around the world. Participants explore the strategic implications for their own business, and effective approaches to engage all levels of the organisation. Applications are made via the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership online application form and all applicants are subject to a selection panel approval. For more information kindly click [here](#) or download the application form [here](#).

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & WEBINARS 2018

**CARBON TRUST WEBINAR: AN INTRODUCTION TO CARBON FOOTPRINTING – GREEN BUSINESS FUND TECHNOLOGY 12 April 2018.** This webinar is for small businesses interested in understanding how they can measure their carbon footprint and look to reduce greenhouse gas emissions no matter their size, sector or available capital. [Register here](#).

**2018 WBCSD LIAISON DELEGATE MEETING 16 to 19 April 2018 Montreux, Switzerland.** Our [Liaison Delegate Meeting](#) will bring together over 400 sustainability professionals from all sectors and geographies to learn about

new trends, explore innovative tools and implement collaborative solutions that will drive performance while delivering on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). **Password: montreux2018.**

**INVITATION TO WEBINAR: A SCENARIO TO MEET THE GOALS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT 17 April 2018 11:00 BST.** The Paris Agreement has sent a signal around the world: climate change is a serious issue that governments are determined to address. Shell has published its latest energy-system scenario, called Sky, which illustrates a technically possible, but challenging pathway for society to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement. Join a webinar with Shell's Executive Director Harry Brekelmans and Head of Shell Scenarios, Jeremy Bentham, to learn more. [Register now.](#)

**CERES 2018 CONFERENCE 24 to 26 April 2018 Boston, US.** Scaling up sustainable solutions to climate change, water scarcity and pollution, and human rights abuses are needed now more than ever to accelerate the transition to a low-carbon economy. [WMB Website.](#)

**SUSTAINABLE APPAREL: HOW BRANDS CAN TRANSFORM SUPPLY CHAINS 25 April 2018 Amsterdam, The Netherlands.** The forum will look at major issues such as: Circular economy in the apparel industry: How close is circularity to gaining real traction in the industry? Can brands work together successfully to implement circular solutions at scale? Supply chain transparency: What's the best way for brands to collate, monitor and use supplier data in an age of transparency and disclosure? Better factory engagement: How can brands and factories work together more effectively for improved performance, energy efficiencies and cost-savings? [More information.](#)

**WBCSD SDG DEEP DIVE WEBINAR 3 May 2018 (15:00-16:00 CET / 08:00-09:00 UTC-5).** We will zoom-in on SDG developments and business action in Latin America and advance the conversation around the 2030 agenda. With this webinar we continue our efforts to explore the SDGs through the lens of a particular regional perspective and provide a platform to exchange insight and updates on important initiatives. Experts from the United Nations Development Programme and CEMEX will join us to offer their thought leadership and share their experiences about key SDG developments in the region and beyond. [Register here.](#)

**WATER LOSS CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION 2018** The IWA Water Loss Specialist Group, together with City Of Cape Town, will host the biennial Water Loss Conference and Exhibit from **7 to 9 May 2018 at the Century City Conference Centre and Hotel in Cape Town, South Africa.** The Water Loss Conference and Exhibition 2018 will be one of the world's largest water loss conferences and is expected to attract over 500 participants from more than 50 countries. [Website.](#)

**2018 NORTH AFRICA RENEWABLE ENERGY SUMMIT 9 to 10 May 2018 Casablanca, Morocco.** NARES 2018 will not only focus on the Solar power and Wind power development in North Africa, but also involve the energy storage future application in the North Africa region. The summit will attract more than 300 leaders to share the latest progress of the renewable industry in Northern Africa. Click [here.](#)

**5TH WORLD CONFERENCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND GLOBAL WARMING 23 to 24 May 2018 New York, USA.** Climate 2018 is based on the theme: "Abrupt Impacts of Climate Change" and the conference mainly focuses on the Climate change and its effects. Study of Climate change is important in today's world if we want to leave this planet for our future generations. We have to really understand the challenges and together we have to make a pledge for a sustainable environment. [Conference website.](#)

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