



**REGENESYS
AI SUMMIT**

THE FUTURE OF
SOUTH AFRICA IN THE
AGE OF AI

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About the **REGENESYS AI SUMMIT**

The Regenesys AI Summit brings together leaders, innovators, and decision-makers to engage with one of the most important forces shaping our time. AI is changing how organisations think, compete, operate, and grow. This summit creates space for the conversations that matter now, with a focus on what AI means for South Africa and the role it will play across technology, finance, healthcare, and society.

Hosted by Regenesys Education, the summit takes the conversation beyond hype and into substance. It is about understanding the real implications of AI and the opportunities it creates for growth, transformation, and long-term impact. At a time when change is accelerating, the need for insight, readiness, and responsible leadership has never been greater.

The importance of the Regenesys AI Summit lies in what it stands for. It is a platform for those who do not want to be left behind. It is for those who recognise that the age of AI demands bold thinking, sharper capability, and a stronger sense of purpose. This event, is a call to engage, to lead, and to help shape what comes next with clarity and intent.

AI is changing the rules. This summit is about leading what comes next.

Programme

08:00 | Registration and exhibition opens

Main stage plenary sessions:

09:00 | Regenesys Education Welcome Address by Ms Indherani Reddy, COO, Regenesys Education

09:10 | Opening Address by Dr Nishal Khusial, Managing Partner AI Africa, Regenesys Education

09:20



From Cloud to Cognitive: How Microsoft Is Breaking Barriers and Leading the Enterprise AI Revolution Microsoft

Ayanda Ngcebetsha, AI Partner Development Director

09:50



Beyond Connectivity: How Cisco Is Securing and Scaling the Foundations of the AI-Driven World Cisco

Smangele Nkosi, Country Leader

10:20

Morning tea, refreshments, networking and exhibition visit

10:45



The Future of Care: How Siemens Healthineers Is Using AI to Redefine Diagnosis, Treatment, and Health Systems Siemens Healthineers,

Ayanda Swana, CEO

11:15



Executive AI Literacy and Governance: The Missing Link in South Africa's AI Transformation ITTPSA,

Antony Makins, Chairman of the Special Interest Group for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics (SIGAIR) for the IITPSA

11:45



From Data to Impact: How Google Is Scaling AI Across Africa's Economy and Everyday Life

Abongile Mashele, Head of Government Affairs and Public Policy, Google South Africa

12:15

Luncheon, networking and exhibition visit

STREAM 1

13:30 – Parallel Panel Discussions

1. FINANCIAL SERVICES PANEL:

From Compliance to Competitive Advantage and Practical Implementation: Scaling AI in Financial Services for Risk, Fraud, and Growth

Moderator



Johan Steyn
Founder
AI for Business and Expert



Tshidiso Ledimo
Head of Core Platforms,
Cloud Engineering, Applications,
Infrastructure, ITSM and Operations,
Santam



Pragashni Reddy
Executive Director for Digital
ABSA



Timothy Spira
Head of Marketing Insights and
Technology,
Investec



Raymond Tsongorera
Head of IT and Group Risk
Hollard Insurance



Kevin Moodley
Director of Financial Services Technology
BDO South Africa



Simon Frank
Chief Technology Officer
Iress



Bryan McLachlan
MD Africa
iTuring.ai

2. ICT PANEL:

Securing South Africa's AI Future: Building Sovereign Infrastructure, Cybersecurity, and Governance at Scale

Moderator



Sally Nhlanhla
CEO
Rekindle Learning



Mankoana Nhlebela
Head of Group Information Security
GRC and Programme
MTN



Jan Liebenberg
Chief Technology Officer of
Network Infrastructure
Nokia



Lauren Wortmann
Managing Director of
Application Services
NTT DATA Middle East and Africa



Pat Masithela
Chief Technology Officer
Tracker Connect



Jabu Mtsweni
Head of Information and Cyber
Security Centre and Chief Researcher
CSIR



Sahil Maharaj
Director of SEO and
Technology Solutions
Jellyfish



Seati Moloi
Founder and CEO
Khoi Tech

3. HEALTHCARE PANEL:

Scaling AI-Driven Healthcare: From Innovation and Deployment to System-Wide Impact on Access, Efficiency, and Patient Outcomes

Moderator



Dr Rowen Govender
Head of School of Health Sciences
Regenesys Education



Gloseije Bazolana
Head of Information Technology
National Institute for Communicable
Diseases (NICD)



Sekhar Subramoney
EMEA Regional Sales
Aptus Data Labs



Dr Stavros Nicolaou
Group Senior Executive
Strategic Trade
Aspen Pharma Group



Johan Alberts
Associate Director of End User Computing



Reven Singh
Sales Engineer
InterSystems



Quantin van Rensburg
Chief Information Officer
Platinum Health Medical Scheme

15:00 | Masterclasses

1. Financial Services Masterclass: "AI Risk Radar: Smarter Credit, Fraud and Compliance Decisions"

A practical masterclass and demonstration on how banks and insurers can use AI to detect fraud earlier, strengthen credit decisions, and streamline compliance reporting, while keeping models explainable, auditable, and regulator-ready



Khomotso Molabe
Group Chief Information Officer
Standard Bank Group

2. Healthcare Masterclass: "Beyond the Algorithm: Implementing AI in Healthcare with Ethics, Operations, and Real Business Value"

Exploring the practical journey of implementing AI in healthcare systems, addressing governance, workforce readiness, ethical considerations, operational integration, and measurable patient and organisational outcomes.



Ismail Rasool
Chief Data Officer
Discovery Health

3. Technology Masterclass: "Building AI Products That Scale: From Prototype to Production"

A hands-on session for product and tech teams on taking AI from demo to dependable product, covering data pipelines, MLOps, monitoring drift, quality assurance, security, and how to prove ROI to stakeholders.



Terrence Naidoo
Solutions Architecture Leader –
Sub-Saharan Africa
Amazon Web Services (AWS)

15:00 | Afternoon tea, refreshments, networking and exhibition visit

STREAM 2

Main stage plenary sessions:

15:30 | Panel discussion: From Strategy to Implementation: AI Best Practices for South African Organisations

Moderator



Dr Nishal Khushial
Head School of AI
Regeneysys Education



Leone Van't Zand
Chief Data and Analytics Officer
FNB



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Andrew Tumang Cheda
Vice Chair
(SIGAIR) IITPSA



Kevin Govender
Business Transformation Advisor
(Past Executive Partner, IBM)

16:15 | Closure by Dr Marko Saravanja, Chairperson, Regeneysys Education

16:30 | End of conference and exhibition stands visit and networking

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