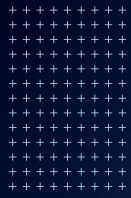


UKZN INTERNATIONALISATION SUMMIT 2024:



THEME:
**INNOVATION FOR
GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT**



DRAFT PROGRAMME: WEDNESDAY, 30 OCTOBER 2024

08:30 - 09:00: Registration and Welcome Tea

09:00 - 10:30: Plenary Session (Keynote Address)

Title: *"Innovation meets Internationalisation: Advancing Strategic Partnerships to Drive Collaborative Innovation"*

Keynote Speaker: Renowned Scholar in Internationalisation and Innovation

Overview: This plenary session will set the tone for the summit, exploring the intersection of innovation and internationalisation and highlighting the importance of strategic partnerships in driving collaborative innovation on a global scale.



10:30 - 11:00: Networking Tea Break

11:00 - 12:30: Parallel Sessions 1

Track 1: Fostering Strategic Partnerships

Session 1: Building Effective Cross-Sector Partnerships for Innovation

Session 2: Best Practices in Nurturing Strategic Collaborations for Global Engagement

Track 2: Managing Collaborative Innovation

Session 1: Strategies for Effective Project Management in Collaborative Innovation

Session 2: Navigating Challenges in Leading Diverse Innovation Teams

12:30 - 13:30: Networking Lunch

13:30 - 15:00: Parallel Sessions 2

Track 1: Inspiring Multidisciplinary Innovation

Session 1: Promoting Interdisciplinary Research for Global Impact

Session 2: Showcasing Multidisciplinary Innovation Projects in Higher Education

Track 2: Embracing Digital Transformation

Session 1: Integrating Digital Tools for Enhanced Global Engagement

Session 2: Strategies for Sustainable Digital Transformation in Internationalisation

15:00 - 15:30: Afternoon Tea Break

15:30 - 17:00: Plenary Panel Discussion

Topic: *"Future Directions in Innovation and Internationalisation"*.

Moderator: Expert in Higher Education Policy and Internationalisation

Panelists:

1. Innovation Strategist
 2. Internationalisation Scholar
 3. Industry Partner in Global Innovation Initiatives
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17:00: Closing Remarks and Networking Reception



OVERVIEW OF THE SESSIONS

Track 1: Fostering Strategic Partnerships

Overview:

In today's interconnected world, strategic partnerships play a crucial role in driving innovation and fostering global engagement within the realm of internationalisation. This track focuses on exploring strategies and best practices for building and nurturing effective partnerships that promote innovation and collaboration across sectors and borders.

Session 1: Building Effective Cross-Sector Partnerships for Innovation

Overview: This session will delve into the dynamics of establishing cross-sector partnerships to drive innovation in internationalisation efforts. Participants will explore the key elements of successful partnerships, including identifying common goals, leveraging complementary strengths, and navigating potential challenges. Case studies and real-world examples will be shared to illustrate effective strategies for building robust cross-sector collaborations that contribute to innovative solutions and impactful outcomes.

Session 2: Best Practices in Nurturing Strategic Collaborations for Global Engagement

Overview: Nurturing strategic collaborations requires careful planning, effective communication, and sustained engagement to achieve meaningful outcomes on a global scale. This session will examine best practices and innovative approaches for nurturing and sustaining strategic partnerships in the context of internationalisation. Participants will learn about successful models for fostering collaboration, managing relationships, and leveraging resources to maximise the impact of strategic partnerships in driving global engagement and advancing shared goals. Case studies and practical insights will be shared to guide participants in developing and implementing effective strategies for nurturing strategic collaborations.

Track 2: Managing Collaborative Innovation

Overview: Collaborative innovation involves bringing together diverse perspectives, skills, and expertise to generate novel ideas and solutions. Effective management of collaborative innovation is essential to ensure that projects are executed efficiently and produce impactful outcomes. This track explores various strategies and challenges associated with managing collaborative innovation within the context of internationalisation.



Session 1: Strategies for Effective Project Management in Collaborative Innovation

Overview: This session focuses on the key strategies and best practices for effectively managing projects in collaborative innovation settings. Participants will learn about project management methodologies, tools, and techniques tailored to the unique dynamics of collaborative innovation projects. Topics may include project planning, resource allocation, stakeholder engagement, and risk management. Case studies and practical examples will be shared to illustrate successful approaches to project management in collaborative innovation initiatives.

Session 2: Navigating Challenges in Leading Diverse Innovation Teams

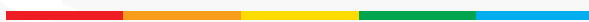
Overview: Leading diverse innovation teams presents unique challenges related to communication, cultural differences, and conflicting priorities. This session explores strategies for navigating these challenges and fostering a culture of collaboration and innovation within diverse teams. Participants will learn about effective leadership styles, communication strategies, and team dynamics that promote creativity, inclusivity, and productivity. Practical insights and real-world examples will be shared to equip participants with the skills and knowledge needed to lead diverse innovation teams successfully.

Plenary Panel Discussion: Future Directions in Innovation and Internationalisation

Overview: The Plenary Panel Discussion serves as the culminating event of the UKZN Internationalisation Summit 2024, providing an opportunity for thought leaders, experts, and practitioners to engage in a dynamic exchange of ideas and insights on the future directions of innovation and internationalisation in higher education.

Topic: Future Directions in Innovation and Internationalisation

This session will explore emerging trends, challenges, and opportunities shaping the future landscape of innovation and internationalisation in higher education. Panelists will offer diverse perspectives on how institutions can adapt to changing dynamics, harness innovative approaches, and leverage strategic partnerships to drive global engagement and impact.



2024 International Partner Week

Itinerary for the week

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Monday, 28 October	12h00 - 13h00 13h00 - 14h00 14h00 - 16h00	Registration Meet & Greet Lunch Visit to centres of excellence
Tuesday, 29 October	09h00 – 13h00 14h00 – 16h00	Pre-Internationalisation Summit Dialogue Networking and meetings with UKZN colleges, schools and departments
Wednesday, 30 October	08h00 – 16h00	Internationalisation Summit
Thursday, 31 October	09h00 – 15h00	Individual meetings with UKZN colleges, schools and departments continue
	17h00 – 22h00	Cultural Extravaganza
Friday, 01 November	09h00 – 13h00	Durban City Tour

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