

PROGRAMME

Southern African satellite event on artificial intelligence and data use in social science research



Programme Director:
Dr Blessing Masamha (HSRC)

- 10:30am – 10:40am** Welcoming remarks and opening
Dr Palesa Sekhejane (A/Executive Head - AISA & SPU)
- 10:40am – 10:45am** Introducing speakers
Ms Samanth Linn Coert (HSRC)
- 10:45 am – 11:00am** The role of Social Science in AI research
Mr Karabo Maiyane (Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University)
- 11:00am – 11:10am** Regional country - specific policy status and gaps on AI and data science in Africa
Dr Uzma Alam (SFA)
- 11:10am – 11:20am** The role of gender and diversity in AI and data science in social science and health research
Dr Mokhantso Makoe (HSRC)
- 11:20am – 11:50am** Break-away sessions
Mr John Njogu (SFA)
- 1. The role of AI in social science research: implications of gender and diversity in Africa*
(ROOM 1- Samantha)
 - 2. Status of AI and research ethics in social science and health research. How do we strengthen ethical compliance in Africa?*
(ROOM 2- John)
 - 3. Discuss country-level AI and data science policy and regulatory frameworks. What regional policy recommendations can be suggested to strengthen AI and data science governance in social science and health research?*
(ROOM 3- Lumka)
- 11:50 am – 12:15pm** Plenary: Reporting back and discussions
Dr Blessing Masamha (HSRC)
- 12:15pm – 12:25pm** Closing remarks
Dr Vuyo Mjimba (HSRC)
- 12:25pm – 12:30pm** Vote of thanks and closure
Ms Lumka Luzipho (HSRC)



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