

PROGRAMME

Africa Conference



Shaping Africa's Future: AI, ESG, and Urban Resilience

Wednesday, 26 August 2026
Sandton International Convention Centre,
161 Maude Street, Sandton,
Johannesburg, South Africa

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**Type of event**

Face to face

**CPD Hours**

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Once again, we return to South Africa and partner with the Women's Property Network to bring you an unmissable and informative RICS conference. Join us in August where industry leaders, experts, and professionals from across the continent will explore the dynamic trends shaping Africa's economic, urban, and investment landscape. This full-day event offers a deep dive into critical topics, including the latest economic and political trends, the challenges of rapid urbanization, advancements in property valuation, and the future of financing and investment in Africa.

Through engaging keynote sessions, panel discussions, and real-world case studies, you'll gain actionable insights into sustainable urban development, harnessing technology for smarter cities, and addressing emerging challenges in the valuation and investment sectors.

The conference is designed to provide an unparalleled platform for learning, collaboration, and networking. Attendees will have the opportunity to connect with industry experts, policymakers, and peers during dedicated networking breaks, as well as at our cocktail reception to close the day.

Whether you're looking to stay ahead of industry trends, explore innovative solutions, or build meaningful partnerships, this event is your gateway to shaping the future of Africa's built environment.

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AFRICA
26 Aug 26

Time zone:

SAST

8:30

Registration

9:00

Opening Remarks
RICS Africa Leadership (Chair)

9:15

Socio-Economic Insight:
Africa 2026: Capital Flows, Geopolitics & Built Environment Growth

09:50

Keynote
Investable Urbanism: Reimagining African Cities

10:30

Coffee & networking

11:00

Keynote
Responsible Use of AI in the Built Environment

11:40

ESG & Sustainability in Valuation: From Principle to Practice
Panel Discussion: Driving Growth & Sustainability in African Real Estate:
Investment, ESG & Market Recovery

12:40

Lunch & networking

13:40

Keynote
Financing Africa's Future Infrastructure: Unlocking Investment Across African Markets



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14:10

Panel Discussion: Public Sector Assets & Bankability

15:10

Coffee & networking

15:40

Case Study Transforming Asset Performance: Facilities Management Lessons from a Landmark African Development

16:15

RICS Global Update

16:30

Networking reception

17:00

WPN Remarks and Thanks

17:10

Networking Reception Continues

Delivering confidence

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