



Trade & Industrial Policy Strategies invites you to a Development Dialogue on:

Covid-19: Reconstruction Post Lockdown

Thursday 4 June 2020

9:30 – 10:45

Zoom

09:30 Opening and welcome by chairperson: Baba Gqubule

09:35 – 10:20 Presentations and discussion:

- Neva Makgetla: TIPS COVID-19 Tracker: The economy and the pandemic
- Owen Willcox: Macroeconomic responses to COVID-19
- Gaylor Montmasson-Clair: A Case for a Green and Just Economic Stimulus Package

10:20 – 10:45 Discussion

10:45 Closure

Background

The 2020 forecast for South Africa's economic growth at -7% would be the worst since democracy, and is likely to come with massive job losses and firms closing down. There are, however, options to mitigate the economic impact of the disease. They include a shift in the macroeconomic approach as well as ramping up new industries, including renewable energy technologies. This Development Dialogue will start with a review of the latest trends in the pandemic and the economy, and then consider at-scale responses to the economic downturn.

About the Speakers

Baba-Tamana Gqubule is a senior economist at TIPS and has experience as a Policy Analyst at the Economic Development Department.

Owen Willcox is a Principal Consultant at Oxford Policy Management and previously worked at National Treasury for 11 years.

Gaylor Montmasson-Clair is a senior economist at TIPS. He has written extensively on the green economy, the just transition and renewable energy.

Neva Makgetla is a senior economist at TIPS. Makgetla has published widely on the South African economy and worked for many years in government.

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