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Maxi Rise

Youth Indaba

14 May 2025
08:00 - 14:30

Vaal University of
Technology (VUT) – African
Languages Auditorium

Launch Program

08:00 – 09:00

Arrival and Registration

- Welcome desk open for check-in
- Networking tea/coffee available
- Musical Performance by Shaun BBJ
- Prayer for Africa's youth future

09:00 - 09:15

Opening and Welcome

- Opening Remarks by Dr Sibusiso Mchunu

09:15 - 09:30

Purpose and Vision of Maxi Rise / Africa Rise Youth Indaba Partnership

- Speaker: Chairperson of Africa Rise Youth Indaba - Ambassador Fikile Hlatshwayo & Nikita Harris
- Q & A

09:30 - 10:00

Keynote Address: The Future of Africa's Youth in the Fourth Industrial Revolution

- Speaker: Maximum Group Leadership - Slaven Gajovic
- Focus on 100 Million Job Opportunities Vision: Maximum Group Leadership - Slaven Gajovic
- Q & A

10:00 - 10:15

Performances by Creative Arts (15 Minutes Play)



Launch Program

10:15 - 11:00

Youth Leadership Panel Discussion

- Theme: "Igniting Dreams, Empowering Voices"
- 3 Youth Panelists + 1 Moderator
- Interactive discussion: Challenges, Innovation, and Leadership
- Audience Q&A
- Poetry Performance by Luthando The Lust Sun Goddess

11:00 - 11:15

Industry Fireside Chat: Building Africa's Mega Cities through Innovation

- Introduction by Maximum Group Leadership - Slaven Gajovic
- Industry Fireside Chat by Dr Lehohla
- The link between technology, youth empowerment, and economic growth

11:15 - 11:30

Tea Break

11:30 - 13:00

MaxiRise Masterclass Session

- Opening by Maximum Group - Clarissa van Rooy
- Youth will break into groups, draw a "Mission Card" challenge, brainstorm solutions, assign quick roles, craft a 3-minute pitch, present in a Rapid Fire Pitch Fest, and compete for "MaxiRise Champion" prizes based on innovation, practicality, and energy.

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch Break



Launch Program

14:05 - 14:15

Prize Giving and Recognition

- Call to Action: Be Part of the Movement
- Musical Performance by Mandy Logan

14:15 - 14:30

Closing Remarks

- Vote of Thanks to VUT, Sponsors, and Youth Delegates by Siphonkosi
- Photo Booth: MaxiRise Branding
- Registration for MaxiRise onsite
- Media Interviews and Press Opportunities

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