


# CLOUD SOLUTIONS AFRICA CONFERENCE PROGRAMME 2024

## DAY 1: 16 JULY

08:30	Registration and coffee
09:25	Opening Remarks
09:30	<b>Plenary Keynote and Opening remarks</b> <i>Andile Ngcaba, President, Digital Council Africa</i>
10:00	<b>Keynote Address</b> <i>Sandile Dube, MD South Africa, Equinix</i>
<b>THEME 1:</b>	<b>The Role of the CIO and Building the Business Case</b>
10:30	<b>Discussion: The Importance of the CIO in Driving Digital Success</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Stephane Duproz, Data Centre Consultant</i> <b>Panellists</b> • <i>Abdul Baba, CIO, Infrastructure South Africa</i> • <i>Duncan Eric Ogonji, CIO, Kenya Vision</i> - Evolving business demands - why CIO's are forward facing - Translating the success of Cloud solutions into business opportunities - The role of CIO's and the Cloud in future proofing businesses
11:40	EXHIBITION VIEWING
12:00	<b>CASE STUDY: Migrating to the Cloud</b> <i>Yen Choi, CEO, Onix Data Centres</i>
12:30	<b>Panel Discussion: The Strategic Case for Cloud Investment</b> <b>Speakers:</b> • <i>Sandile Dube, Managing Director, South Africa, Equinix</i> • <i>Mogomotsi Mokoka, CIO, Independent Communications Authority of South Africa</i> • <i>Mtho Xulu, President, South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry</i> • <i>Andile Ngcaba, President, Digital Council Africa</i> - What is driving the adoption of cloud in South Africa - How does South Africa compare to other nations in terms of cloud adoption - Future thoughts and comments on the cloud industry
13:00	LUNCH & EXHIBITION VIEWING
<b>THEME 2:</b>	<b>Cloud Architecture, Innovation and Evolving Requirements</b>
14:00	<b>Cloud Hosting Customisation - the smart way to meet demands and expectations</b> <b>Reserved for Digital Parks Africa</b>
14:30	<b>Rethinking Traditional Cloud Models</b> <i>Julie Irmes, Head of Sales, Touchnet Telecommunications</i> - The traditional approach - an overview - Considerations for breaking the cloud mould - Future proofing
15:00	<b>Innovation in Cloud Architectures</b> • <i>Lisa Wright, Ecosystem Partner Manager, Console Connect</i>  - Adapting your roadmap to meet changing demands - Scalability and flexibility - understanding requirements - Hybrid versus edge
15:30	COFFEE BREAK
16:00	<b>Panel session: The True Role of AI in the Digital Evolution</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Mark Acton, Independent Consultant, Acton Consulting</i> <b>Panellists:</b> • <i>Sipho Mtombeni, Government Affairs and Public Policy Manager, Google</i> • <i>Representative from Huawei</i> - The current status and uptake of AI - Building patterns and strategies - how, why and who? - Considerations for next generation AI tools and solutions
16:45	CLOSING REMARKS

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09:25	Opening Remarks
<b>THEME 3:</b>	<b>Bringing the Cloud to the Edge</b>
09:30	<b>Unlocking Africa's Potential - Defining a Cloud Ecosystem to Empower Tomorrow's Africa</b> <i>Charly Bahous, CEO, Touchnet Telecommunications</i> - Zadara Cloud Strategy into Africa - The Game Changer - Edge Cloud - How do we enter the market - Enabling the African continent and digital transformation
10:00	<b>Panel Session: Regional Approaches to Edge Cloud</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Abyda Aziz, Head of Operations, Touchnet Telecommunications</i> <b>Panellists:</b> • <i>Charly Bahous, CEO, Touchnet Telecommunications</i> • <i>Confirmed Touchnet Telecommunications Regional Partners</i>
<b>THEME 4:</b>	<b>The Wider Cloud Context and Considerations</b>
10:30	<b>Case Study - Session Reserved for BCX Consulting</b>
11:00	<b>Data Protection and security in the new digital age</b> - Understanding the evolution of data protection - Why Cloud solutions are safe solutions - How to stay abreast of regulations and security challenges
11:30	COFFEE BREAK
11:50	<b>Panel session: Speed Data'ing - How to choose the right data centre</b> • <i>Angus Hay, Regional Executive, South Africa, Africa Data Centres</i> • <i>James Byaruhanga, MD, Roke Cloud</i> - Identifying your needs and objectives - Market response to evolving drivers and requirements - Co-location versus Cloud versus Edge as options
12:20	<b>Fireside Chat: Building an Infrastructure to Support Business Continuity</b> <b>Speakers:</b> • <i>Nabeel Mahmood, Managing Director, Nomad Futurist</i> • <i>Quin Jernigan, Manager, Workforce/Economic Development, AWS</i> - 'It takes a village' mentality - Where Cloud and Digital Transformation will lend a helping hand - Matching future demands to business objectives
13:00	LUNCH & EXHIBITION VIEWING
13:40	<b>SLAs: The foundation of any digital transformation project</b> - Defining your SLA requirements internally - Translating your requirements to build effective SLA's - Collaboration and partnership - the only way to achieve SLA success
14:10	<b>Cyber security and the Cloud: Ironing out the kinks</b> - Understanding how not to compromise on your cyber security measures - Working with clients to deliver their security expectations - Integrating solutions that can adapt to changing requirements and regulations
14:40	<b>IOT and the Future: The true benefits of migrating your assets</b> - Utilising more than one IOT application to drive benefits - Bolstering your financials whilst reducing CAPEX and OPEX - Moulding IOT applications to enhance business operations at the front end
15:15	CLOSING REMARKS
15:30	CLOSE OF CONFERENCE