

POWERING DATA CENTERS WORKSHOP



The Verve Hall at Century City Conference Center
November 9 - 11, 2025 | Cape Town, South Africa

AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

**SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 9**

Welcome Dinner (7:30-9:30pm) at the Pullman Hotel

**MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 10**

- **Powering Data Centers workshop (Day 1)** at conference center (7am - 7:00pm)
- Take bus to conference center from the Southern Sun – Cape Sun hotel at 8:00am and return at 7:00pm

**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 11**

- **Powering Data Centers workshop (Day 2)** at conference center (7:30am-7:00pm)
- Take bus to conference center from the Southern Sun – Cape Sun hotel at 8:00am

- **Data Center Site Visit (1:30-4:30pm)** - transportation provided following lunch at the conference center
- Dinner at Durbanville Hills / local winery (4:30-8:30pm)
- Take bus from winery back to the Southern Sun – Cape Sun hotel

Note: the dinner will not be 4 hours just accounting for transport time so by 8:30pm back to hotels.

EVENT LOCATION

November 10 - 11, 2025

CENTURY CITY CONFERENCE CENTER

The Verve Hall

No. 4 Energy Lane, Bridgeways Precinct Century City, 7441



QUICK LOGISTICS DETAILS

CONTACT THE ORGANIZERS



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DRESS CODE

Formal to casual office business attire.
Wear clothes for warm weather.



INTERPRETATION

We will provide English-French and French-English interpretation. Each participant will have access to a headset to listen to the interpretation throughout the event.

What's covered during the Workshop

- A welcome dinner will be provided by the organizers on November 9th
- Coffee breaks and lunch will be provided on November 10 and 11.
- Dinner will be provided by the organizers on November 11.

Transportation

Transportation from the airport to Southern Sun Cape Sun Hotel will be provided, both ways. As you come out of customs, please look for a sign that says “WORLD BANK”

Transportation to the event venue will also be provided.

Transportation to the dinner on the closing day will be provided both ways.

We ask that TTLs ensure the organizing team has the arrival and departure details for your guests so that we can arrange for airport pick ups and drop offs.

Each traveler is responsible for obtaining their own medical insurance while traveling.

**AFTER THE EVENT, YOU CAN
VISIT THIS PAGE TO BROWSE
THE EVENT MATERIALS**



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Type M is the most common older standard, which has three large round pins in a triangular pattern, while Type N, the new standard, also has three round pins but they are arranged in a straight line. Type D is less common.



CURRENCY

The currency is the South African Rand. For daily exchange rates please visit a trusted source.

WEATHER FORECAST

In Cape Town during November, dress for hot, dry days with cooler evenings, so pack lightweight daytime clothes like shorts, dresses, and t-shirts, along with a light jacket or sweater for the evening. Don't forget sun protection like a hat and sunglasses, and a swimsuit for the beaches. Comfortable walking shoes are also essential for exploring. .

Stay updated on the weather [here](#).

IDENTIFICATION

For registration and badge collection, please bring your physical identification. We request that you wear your event badge at all times.

DOWNLOAD OFFLINE MAPS

Apple Store Options: Google Maps ([Download](#))

Android Options: Google Maps ([Download](#))

AIRPORT TRANSFER

AIRPORT-HOTEL-AIRPORT TRANSFERS AND TRANSPORTATION TO THE VENUE FROM YOUR HOTEL WILL BE PROVIDED. PICK UP FROM SOUTHERN SUN HOTEL WILL START AT 7AM AND WE WILL DEPART SHARP AT 7:30AM

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Make use of the event Photo Call located outside the main ballroom and take photos with your peers and friends.
- Share your social media handles in the app and follow other participants.



ORGANIZERS’ SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES

ESMAP	LinkedIn
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EVENT SOCIAL MEDIA KIT

https://www.canva.com/design/DAG3r3TSsAk/7K5VV0Qgm_sbKYHpr-YXLg/edit?utm_content=DAG3r3TSsAk&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton



EVENT HASHTAGS

#DataCenters	#PoweringDataCenters
#DataCentersWorkshop2025	#EnergyTransition
#ScalingMiniGrids	#LivablePlanet

AGENDA

DAY 1 | MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2025

LOCATION | THE VERVE | CENTURY CITY CONFERENCE CENTER

08:30-09:00	REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE
09:00-09:15	WELCOMING REMARKS • Hon. Solly Malatsi, Minister, Communications and Digital Technologies, South Africa • Sangbu Kim, Vice President, Digital and AI, The World Bank • Fanny Missfeldt-Ringius, Practice Manager Access and Foundations, Energy Sector Management Assistance Program (ESMAP), The World Bank
09:15-10:00	DATA CENTER AND ENERGY – BARRIERS AND ENABLERS FOR DATA CENTERS AND ENERGY IN EMERGING MARKETS • Guy Zibi, Xalam Frontier Markets
10:00-10:50	FIRESIDE CHAT – HOW TO ATTRACT DATA CENTERS AND CLOUD PROVIDERS? <i>Moderator – Bertrand de la Borde, Global Director of Infrastructure, IFC</i> • Snehar Shah, CEO, IX Africa • Angus Hay, Regional Executive SA, Africa Data Centres • Rob Chiswa, Network Site Investment Manager, Meta • Lars Johannesson, CEO, Rack Center
10:50-11:05	COFFEE BREAK
11:05-11:55	FIRESIDE CHAT – WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO POWER AFRICA'S DATA CENTERS? <i>Moderator – Fanny Missfeldt-Ringius, PhD</i> , Practice Manager Access and Foundations, Energy Sector Management Assistance Program (ESMAP), The World Bank • Sandile Dube, Managing Director, Equinix • Makoanyane Theku, Senior Manager Customers and Grid Connections, National Transmission Company South Africa (NTCSA) • Dominic Goncalves, Advisory Partner, Cresco Group
11:55-12:45	FIRESIDE CHAT – WHAT IS NEEDED TO ACCELERATE AFRICA'S DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION? <i>Moderator – Christine Qiang, Global Director, Digital Foundations, The World Bank</i> • Johann Krige, Special Adviser to the Minister, Department of Communications and Digital Technologies, South Africa • Ayotunde Coker, CEO, Open Access Data Centres • Ryan Holmes, Chief Revenue Officer, Raxio • Ben Ryall, Edge Strategy Manager, Meta
12:45-13:45	LUNCH
13:45-15:15	BREAKOUT SESSION • Question 1: What are the key ingredients for creating a robust market data centers and cloud services? • Question 2: How can emerging energy technologies for data centers, including load flexibility, demand response, and behind-the-meter solutions, help address the energy challenge of data center growth? • Question 3: How do you stimulate private capital mobilization for new electricity generation, and grid upgrades required for powering data centers, for example markets for PPAs?
15:15-15:45	COFFEE BREAK
15:45 -16:30	COUNTRY DEEP DIVE SESSION Presentations from countries on developing data infrastructure, energy solutions for data centers, and how to create attractive markets for data centers and cloud service providers • Engineer Amos, Kenya Power & Lighting Company (KPLC), Kenya • Eng. Ganiyu Oseni, Special Adviser, Technology, Broadband & Innovation to the Governor of Lagos State, Nigeria • Cheikh Omar Ndiaye, SENELEC, Senegal
16:30- 17:00	CLOSING REMARKS & TAKEAWAYS Casey Torgusson , Practice Manger, Digital Foundations, The World Bank Group
17:00-19:00	RECEPTION & NETWORKING

DAY 2 | TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2025

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08:30-09:00	WELCOME COFFEE
09:00-10:00	REFLECTIONS FROM THE WORKSHOP (DAY 1) Opportunity to address questions and issues from Day 1 with (5) technical experts
10:00- 10:45	COUNTRY KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION Insights to be shared from Gabon, Senegal, Uzbekistan, and other countries - Alberto Wenceslas Mounguengui Moudoki, Director General, National Agency of Digital Frequency Infrastructure (ANINF), Gabon - Presentation by Ministry of Energy and Digital, Uzbekistan
10:45 –11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 –12:20	COUNTRY DISCUSSIONS, PLANNING AND NEXT STEPS - Table 1: DRC (4) - Table 2: Gabon (6) - Table 3: Senegal, CIV (7) - Table 4: Kenya (6) - Table 5: Uzbekistan, Uganda (8) - Table 6: Nigeria, Brazil (6) - Table 7: South Africa, Zimbabwe, Ethiopia (5) - Table 8: Tanzania, Namibia, Malawi (6)
12:20-12:30	AFRICA TECH FESTIVAL – OVERVIEW
12:30-13:30	LUNCH
13:30 – 16:30	DATA CENTER SITE VISITS - Open Access Data Centre - Africa Data Centre
16:30 – 20:30	RECEPTION AND DINNER Durbanville Hills (Local Winery)
20:30	DEPARTURE FOR SOUTHER SUN HOTEL

Cape Town Data Centre, CPT1



Africa Data Centres – Cape Town (CPT1)

Address: 108 De Waal Rd, Elfindale, 7945 Cape Town, South Africa

Located in Cape Town, CPT1 is part of Africa's largest interconnected, carrier- and cloud-neutral data centre network. It combines world-class digital infrastructure with resilient, energy-efficient systems to support Africa's growing digital economy.

Open Access Data Centres - Brackenfell (CPT2)

Address: Chayyim Park, 10 Viro Street, Stikland Industrial, Cape Town, South Africa

Located in Brackenfell, Cape Town, OADC Brackenfell (CPT2) is a Tier-III-compliant carrier neutral facility designed for reliability, flexibility, and high performance. Strategically positioned near major fibre routes, it offers seamless access to global and regional connectivity hubs across the Cape Town metro area.