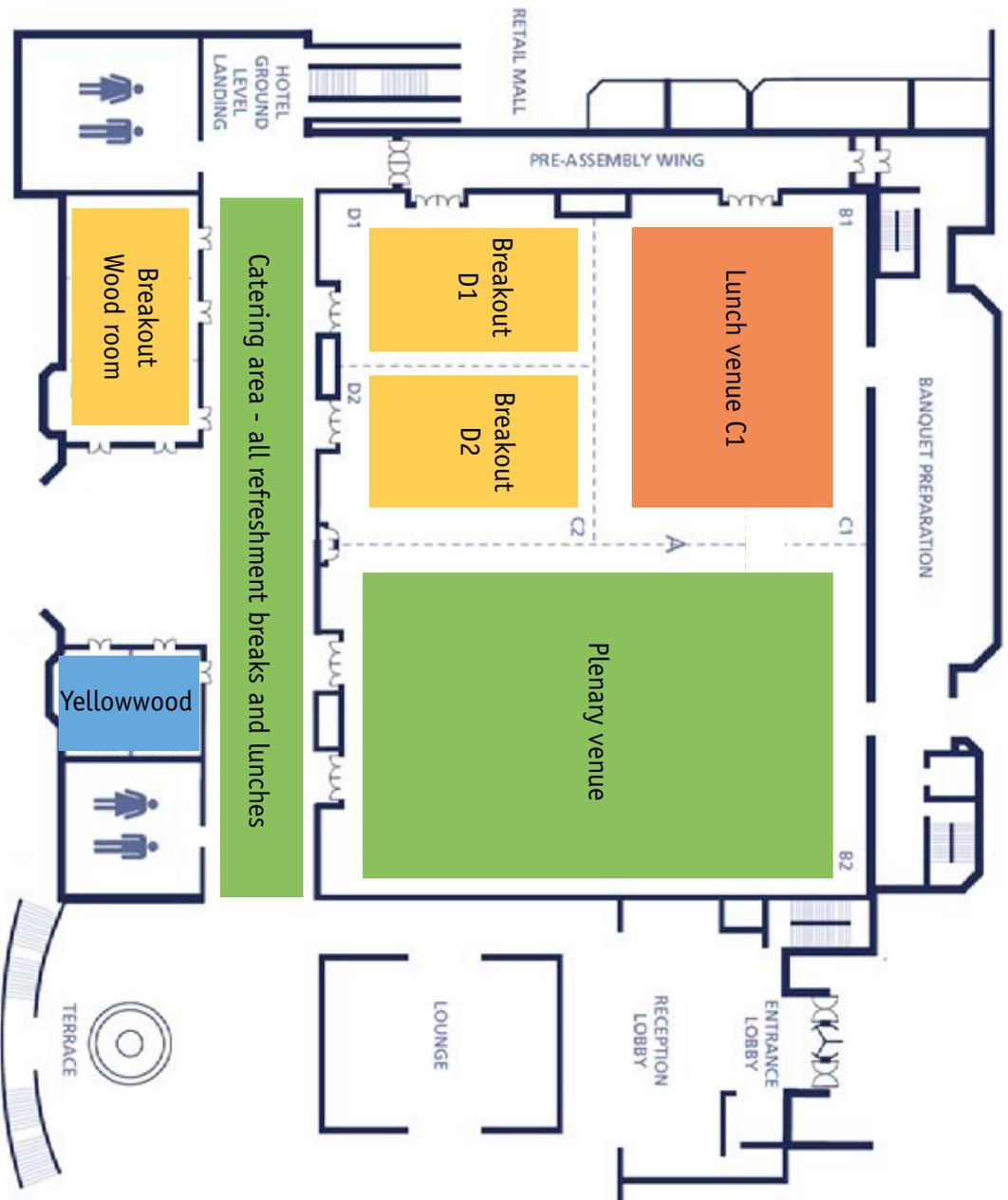


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Wednesday, 9 May

Opening plenary

8:30-10:30

The UN Global Sustainable Development Report (GSDR): knowledge for transformations between global challenges and local realities

How will Africa meet the SDGs – what are key challenges and opportunities?

The SDGs in Africa: important tensions, contradictions and opportunities

Refreshment break

10:30-11:00

Parallel Session: Digital futures in Africa: science, policy and action

11:00-12:30

Harnessing the 4th Industrial revolution to advance the SDGs in Africa (**Wood room**)

Data governance in SDGs in Africa: Principles and stewardship (**Breakout room D1**)

Evidence-informed implementation of the SDGs: Challenges and opportunities (**Breakout room D2**)

Lunch: Featuring a panel discussion on SDGs and the private sector

12:30-14:00 (**Plenary room**)

Parallel Session: Seeding sustainability I: pathways for change

14:00-15:30

Pathways to sustainable land systems: land as the nexus for optimising co-benefits of SDG interactions (**Wood room**)

A call for ethically grounded transdisciplinary approach for aquatic ecosystem health research and management

(Breakout room D1)

Transforming African food systems to achieve sustainable food and nutrition security (**Breakout room D2**)

Shaping sustainable urban futures in Africa through a proactive science-practice-policy interface (**Plenary room**)

Refreshment break, Featuring Art in the Seedbeds conference

15:30-16:00

Plenary

16:00-17:00

Transformations towards a more sustainable future in Africa: Perspectives from UNECA

'Road map', from Day 1 to Day 2 of Seedbeds

Introducing the SDG labs concept

Panel

17:00-18:00
Global Sustainable Development Report 2019: the role of science in translating global governance into regional policy (**Wood room**)

Conference dinner: Featuring Famelab National Finals

18:30-21:00 (**Plenary room**)

Thursday, 10 May

Plenary

8:30-9:30

Recent IPBES Assessments: a report from the front lines

Parallel Session: Seeding sustainability II: Pathways for change

9:30-11:00

The potential of ecosystem-based adaptation approaches in supporting transformational change (**Wood room**)

Supporting regional ocean planning in the Northern

Mozambique Channel (**Breakout room D2**)

Methods-lab on knowledge co-production: learning from African cases (**Breakout room D1**)

Regime shifts: how changes in the structure and function of social-ecological systems could undermine the potential for achieving the SDGs (**Plenary room**)

Refreshment break

11:00-11:30

Parallel Session: Power and equity dimensions of the SDGs

11:30-13:00

How power relations affect vulnerable groups, understanding critical intersections in cities (**Wood room**)

Innovations in transgressive social learning for social ecological sustainability in times of climate change (TLearning) (**Breakout room D1**)

Poverty discourse, policy, practice, and development in Africa: Traversing critical challenges (**Breakout room D2**)

Things are not as they seem: Exploring tense links between SDGs (**Plenary room**)

Lunch

13:00-14:15

Plenary

14:15-15:45

An African perspective on 'dancing' with tensions, contradictions and opportunities in the implementation of the SDGs. Part 1 – Exploring and mapping the space

(**Plenary, Breakout rooms D1 and D2, and Wood room**)

Refreshment break

15:45-16:15

Plenary

16:15-17:30

An African perspective, Part 1 *continued*.

Evening cocktail mixer – Reflections from early career change makers

17:45-19:00

Friday, 11 May

Plenary

8:30-9:00

Introducing the Transformations Forum

'Road map', from Day 2 to Day 3

Parallel Session: Seeding sustainability III: pathways for change

9:00-10:30

Exploring futures methods for creating transformative spaces: visions of a good Anthropocene in southern Africa (**Wood room**)

Collaborative long-term research at the interface: a catalyst for transformational change towards sustainability in Africa (**Breakout room D1**)

Exploring the potential of renewable energy technologies to avoid conventional (centralized-utility) energy development models in Africa and its implications for the SDGs (**Breakout room D2**)

Refreshment break

10:30-11:00

Parallel Session: Joining the dots – connecting and collaborating

11:00-12:30

How can research networks of the Future Earth framework

effectively contribute to implementation of the SDGs in Africa? (**Breakout room D1**)

SDG Labs: Applying innovative approaches to addressing sustainability challenges (**Breakout room D2**)

Art and imagination in transformational processes (**Wood room**)

Lunch

12:30-13:45

Plenary
13:45-15:30
An African perspective on 'dancing' with tensions, contradictions and opportunities in the implementation of the SDGs. Part 2 – From mapping to reflections and action

Sense-making: Hearing and responding to tensions, contradictions and opportunities (**Plenary, Breakout rooms D1 and D2, and Wood room**)

Refreshment break

15:30-16:00

Plenary
16:00-16:30
An African perspective, Part 2 *continued*.

Closing session: Art and transformations
16:30-17:45 (**Plenary room**)

Saturday, 12 May

Global Sustainable Development Report Consultations of Multi-stakeholders in Africa (by invitation only)



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