



Beyond Alpha 2026

Where regulation meets innovation

Enabling a world of change

Thursday, 17 September 2026



12.00 **Registration, welcome drinks and light lunch**

13.00 **Welcome**
Why this platform matters — and why now
Thabo Khojane, Managing Director, Ninety One SA
Nikita Reddy, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Ninety One

13.15 **The big picture**
Finance, society and the choices that shape the future
Trevor Manuel, South Africa's longest-serving Minister of Finance
Judge Dennis Davis, South African jurist and retired Judge President of the Competition Appeal Court

13.45 **SA's digital asset moment**
Turning digital assets into a national competitiveness opportunity
Deon Smith, Global Head of Product Development, Ninety One in conversation with:
— **Marius Reitz**, GM for Africa, Luno
— **Jacques le Roux**, CEO, Sanlam Financial Markets
— **Lyle Horsley**, Divisional Head: Fintech Unit, SARB
— **Farzam Ehsani**, CEO and Co-founder, VALR

14.45 **Refreshment break**

15:00 **The democratisation of private markets**
Opportunity, risk, and the rules in between

Nazmeera Moola, Chief Commercial Officer, Private Markets, Ninety One in conversation with:

- **Nicola Brink**, Head: Financial Stability, SARB
- **Dino Zuccollo**, Head of Investor Solutions, Westbrooke

16.00 **Thinking machines**
Public trust, private innovation and the AI frontier

Khadeeja Bassier, Chief Operating Officer, Ninety One

Farzana Badat, Deputy Commissioner, FSCA

17.00 **Closing reflections**
From debate to direction

Thabo Khojane, Managing Director, Ninety One SA

Nikita Reddy, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Ninety One

17.15 **Drinks and canapés**