
THE FORGE
WHERE POTENTIAL BECOMES PURPOSE

FIRST EDITION · TFC•26 · OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

THE FOUNDERS CONFERENCE 2026

“Shaping The Next Generation of Founders,
Enterprise Leaders and Value Creators”

FROM EDUCATION TO ENTERPRISE ACTIVATION

25 SEPTEMBER 2026 · 09:00-17:00

MULTIPURPOSE HALL (MPH) · MULUNGUSHI UNIVERSITY
KABWE · ZAMBIA

TITLE PARTNERS



HOW TO READ THE PROGRAMME

One day. Seven deliberate phases. One destination.

The programme is designed as a progression rather than a collection of speeches. Each phase changes what the delegate can see, understand or do before the next phase begins.

01

01 · 09:00–10:20 FOUNDATION

EDUCATION

Open with national purpose, establish why TFC•26 exists and challenge delegates to see education as a starting point for contribution.

02

02 · 10:20–10:55 POSSIBILITY

ENTERPRISE → MINDSET

Make possibility visible through a live African technology enterprise, then shift identity beyond qualifications.

03

03 · 10:55–12:20 BECOMING

ACCESS → BECOMING → IMPACT

Move from visible opportunity to the leadership, readiness, character and discipline required to sustain it.

04

04 · 12:20–13:30 THE HUMAN PROBLEM

ACCESS → IMPACT

Connect technology, community systems and social challenges to useful, sustainable solutions.

05

05 · 14:10–14:40 REALITY & COURAGE

REALITY → ENTERPRISE

Name structural barriers honestly, then answer them with founder courage, conviction and action.

06

06 · 14:40–16:00 THE ECOSYSTEM

ECOSYSTEM → ACCESS

Reveal the institutions, systems, formalisation routes and support pathways surrounding a founder.

07

07 · 16:00–17:00 ACTIVATION

ACTION → ACCESS → ACTION

Turn information into a chosen next step, direct connection and a clear commitment beyond the conference.

MAIN HALL

Addresses, demonstrations and institutional opportunity sessions.

EXHIBITION

Two deliberate access movements: 10:55–11:10 and 16:10–16:50.

DELEGATE INTERVAL

Lunch is restorative; informal connection may occur but is not programmed networking.

THE CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

The complete day on one view.

EDUCATION → MINDSET → BECOMING → ENTERPRISE → IMPACT → REALITY →
ECOSYSTEM → ACCESS → ACTION

08:00-09:00

PRE · PRE-PROGRAMME

ARRIVAL · REGISTRATION · RECEPTION

Registration, reception, exhibition preparation and delegate seating.

09:00-09:10

I · THE OPENING

OPENING PROTOCOL

Opening Prayer and National Anthem — leads appointed separately.

09:10-09:25

II · DALITSANI BANDA · PRESIDENT, THE FORGE

OPENING ADDRESS — THE FORGE

Welcome, introduction of THE FORGE team and framing of the conference journey.

09:25-09:55

III · THE OPENING

PARTNERS' REMARKS — BEYOND THE DEGREE

Partners affirm commitment to a generation building value, opportunity and community.

09:55-10:20

IV · THE OFFICIAL OPENING

GUEST OF HONOUR ADDRESS

A Mandate to Build · Guest of Honour to be confirmed.

10:20-10:45

V · EDWIN MEKADDISHKEM KAPESA · INNOVATION

INSIDE CHROMA PIXEL GAMES

A live demonstration of African game development and digital creative innovation.

10:45-10:55

VI · JASPER KASAMBA · MINDSET

YOUR QUALIFICATIONS DO NOT DEFINE YOU

A focused challenge to recognise agency, capacity and possibility beyond credentials.

10:55-11:10

VII · EXHIBITION MOVEMENT 01

VIP EXHIBITION VISIT

A controlled visit for the Guest of Honour, THE FORGE leadership and selected VIPs.

11:10-11:30

VIII · DIXON YOUNG MUTAMBO ("GOVERNOR") · LEADERSHIP

BEYOND THE CAMPUS

Building influence, leadership and impact in the real world.

11:30-11:55

IX · FRANKLIN NKHOWANI · BECOMING

BECOMING BEFORE BUILDING

Preparing yourself for the opportunities that you want.

11:55-12:20

X · BOSWORTH BULAWAYO · CHARACTER

BEYOND SUCCESS

Building the character, discipline and purpose to create lasting impact.

12:20-12:45**XI · ALINASE NYIRENDA · TECHNOLOGY****WOMEN IN TECH**

Braving the odds, building a career in technology.

12:45-13:10**XII · MELODY CHISANGA · IMPACT****BUILDING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY AND IMPACT SYSTEMS**

Through youth and development work.

13:10-13:30**XIII · WENDY SIMAKOMA · SOCIAL SOLUTIONS****BUILDING SOLUTIONS THAT MATTER**

Turning social challenges into sustainable impact.

13:30-14:10**XIV · DELEGATE INTERVAL****LUNCH**

Informal connection may occur naturally; this is not a structured networking session.

14:10-14:20**XV · CHARLTON NAMATAMA MOONO · REALITY****STRUCTURED BARRIERS FACING STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

A reality check focused on higher learning education.

14:20-14:40**XVI · LESA JR. LESA · ACTION****BUILD BEFORE YOU'RE READY**

The courage, conviction and action behind every founder.

14:40-14:55**XVII · THE ECOSYSTEM****SEC — SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Opportunities, systems and pathways for future value creators.

14:55-15:10**XVIII · THE ECOSYSTEM****MULUNGUSHI UNIVERSITY**

From academic learning to innovation, enterprise, research and practical engagement.

15:10-15:25**XIX · THE ECOSYSTEM****PACRA**

IDEA → FORMAL ENTERPRISE → COMPLIANCE → GROWTH

15:25-15:40**XX · THE ECOSYSTEM****CEEC**

Enterprise development, empowerment pathways and relevant opportunities.

15:40-16:00**XXI · ACCESS · FOUR FOCUSED ADDRESSES****OTHER INSTITUTIONS & ECOSYSTEM ACTORS**

5 minutes each: who we are, what we offer, who can access it, how to access it, and what to do next.

16:00-16:10**XXII · CALL TO ACTION****FROM INFORMATION TO OPPORTUNITY**

The bridge from institutional information to practical activation.

16:10-16:50**XXIII · EXHIBITION MOVEMENT 02 · INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS****FROM THE STAGE TO THE STANDS**HEAR → UNDERSTAND → CONNECT → ACCESS

16:50-17:00**XXIV · THE WORK BEGINS****OFFICIAL CLOSING**Conference synthesis, appreciation, closing remarks and official close.

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THE VOICES OF TFC•26

Ten voices. One deliberate conversation.

A 2 × 5 editorial view of the confirmed speakers, ordered by their appearance in the official programme.



ENTERPRISE · 25 MIN
Edwin Mekaddishkem Kapesa
Inside Chroma Pixel Games
CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



MINDSET · 10 MIN
Jasper Kasamba
Your Qualifications Do Not Define You
CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



BECOMING · 20 MIN
Dixon Young Mutambo ("Governor")
Beyond The Campus
CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



BECOMING · 25 MIN
Franklin Nkhowani
Becoming Before Building
CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



IMPACT · 25 MIN
Bosworth Bulawayo
Beyond Success
CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



ACCESS · 25 MIN
Alinase Nyirenda
Women in Tech
CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



IMPACT · 25 MIN
Melody Chisanga
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CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



IMPACT · 20 MIN
Wendy Simakoma
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CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



REALITY · 10 MIN
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Structured Barriers Facing Student Entrepreneurship
CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL



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Lesa Jr. Lesa
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CONFIRMED VOICE · MAIN HALL

PROGRAMME OPERATIONS

Coordination across the conference day.

The official programme identifies the programme directors and moderators responsible for coordinated delivery. The complete operational deployment structure is available on the TFC•26 website.

DIRECTORS OF PROGRAMS — MORNING

Akufuna Kamung'ondo
Gift Mwaka
Angel Namakando

DIRECTORS OF PROGRAMS — AFTERNOON

Bertram Salangeta
Saliya Shaba

MODERATORS

Wana Miti — Male
Willness Phiri — Female

INSTITUTIONS & OPPORTUNITIES

From idea to formal enterprise to investment.

Securities and Exchange Commission

Opportunities, systems and pathways relevant to aspiring founders and future value creators.

Mulungushi University

Student opportunities, enterprise development, innovation, university platforms, support mechanisms and pathways to materialise enterprises.

PACRA

Business formalisation, registration, compliance, entrepreneurial entry points and access to PACRA services.

CEEC

Enterprise development, economic empowerment pathways and practical access to support.

EXHIBITION & ACCESS

Two deliberate movements.

1 · VIP Exhibition Visit — 10:55–11:10

2 · From the Stage to the Stands — 16:10–16:50

THE CONFERENCE ENDS. THE WORK BEGINS.