

# INVITATION



## INFORMATION SESSION

# Round Table discussion on the 2025 IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook results

**THEME:** A productive nation is a competitive nation

**TITLE:** Advancing Knowledge on Global Competitiveness:  
Reflections on South Africa's Performance

**DATE:** 10 October 2025

**TIME:** 14:00 SAST

**VENUE:** Hybrid (In-person & Online) Nadine Gordimer Auditorium,  
Level 5, Kingsway Campus Library, UJ

**REGISTRATION:** <https://zoom.us/j/98320166823>

## KEY PRESENTER

**Ms Juliet Mashabela** (Productivity SA Acting Chief Economist)

## FACILITATORS

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**Ms Lalane Janse Van Rensburg** (Executive Manager, Research, Innovation and Statistics, Productivity SA)

## OBJECTIVES FOR THE DISCUSSION

- To present the latest World Competitiveness Report with specific reference to South Africa's performance.
- To analyze key drivers of productivity and competitiveness in the context of global trends.
- To facilitate scholarly and policy dialogue on the implications of the Report for national development.
- To encourage academic reflection and critical engagement with competitiveness as a field of study.
- To strengthen collaboration between academic institutions, government, and Productivity SA in advancing knowledge and practice.



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