



AMPLIFY AFTER SCHOOL 2026

INNOVATION AND IMPACT IN AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMES

DAY 1

8.00 - 9.00

VENUE: 1ST FLOOR/ THE ATRIUM

Registration, Exhibition Zone and Arrival Refreshments

9.00 - 9.30

WELCOME AND OPENING

VENUE: ATLANTIC SUITE (GROUND FLOOR)

9.30 - 9.40

Opening Remarks

Speaker: Sixolile Mabombo-Benson,
TLT Board Chairperson

9.40 - 10.10

Keynote Address, "Celebrating a Sector Transformed"

Speaker: Dr Naledi Mbude-Mehana,
Deputy Director-General for Transformation Programmes, DBE

10.10 - 10.25

Keynote Address, "My Path, My Power"

Speaker: Sisonke Sokudela, Learner of ASP, Western Cape

10.25 - 11.05

Talk Show: The state of ASP in South Africa

Moderator: Charlene Petersen, The Learning Trust

Speakers:

- Zoe Mann (The Learning Trust)
- Litha Sam (Loxion Mobile Library)
- Joy Olivier (Binding Constraints Lab)
- Jacqui Boulle (YearBeyond)

VENUE: 1ST FLOOR/ THE ATRIUM

11.05 - 11.25

Networking Tea Break

VENUE: PACIFIC 1 (GROUND FLOOR)

11.30 - 13.30

Idea Lab 1: Reimagining Financial Freedom for ASPs - From grant-dependence to generative models.

Facilitators: Nomfundo Xangu, Asiphe Mishiye, Nompumezo Makinana, Karabo Nkosi

Speakers:

- Zama Zulu (Masinyusane)
- Bokang Mokoena (Phakamani Young Minds Academy)
- Delphino Machikicho (Just Grace)

VENUE: ATLANTIC SUITE 1 & 2 (GROUND FLOOR)

Idea Lab 2&3: Measuring What Matters – Tracking SEL for Impact and Learning

Facilitator: Kumbirai Madziwa (TLT)

Speakers:

- Zimkhita Nene (Gold Youth)
- Fin Kettlewell (Waves for Change)
- Lana Rolfe (School of Hard Knocks)
- Jane de Sousa (The Butterfly Art Project)
- Carl Davids (CoolPlay)

VENUE: BALTIC (GROUND FLOOR)

Idea Lab 4: AI Readiness for Nonprofits

Facilitator: Di Ruthenberg, Phambano Technology Development Centre NPC

VENUE: RESTAURANT GROUND FLOOR

13.30 - 14.30

Networking Lunch Break

Engage with Exhibition Area - After School Zone on 1st Floor

VENUE: ATLANTIC SUITE 1 & 2 (GROUND FLOOR)

14.30 - 16.15

Impact Amplified: Winning Models & Innovation in After-School

Facilitators: Zoe Mann and Yolisa Shugu

Speakers:

- Sinazo Didiza (Teaching at the Right Level)
- Brandon Mwale (OLICO High School Academics Programme)
- Shuvai Finos (Ikamva Youth)
- Denver Naidu (Edutech Institute)
- Stanford Ndlovu (Zazi IZandi)
- Tebogo Loate (Lefa Cooperative)
- Dorothy Dyer (Write4 Life)

16.30 - 17.00

Closing: Holding the Possibility

Facilitator: Wayde Groep

VENUE: ADRIATIC SUITE (GROUND FLOOR)

17.30-20.30

AMPLIFY AWARDS
COCKTAIL

MC: Jackson Tshabalala

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

25 February 2026

Lagoon Beach Hotel, Cape Town



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COLLABORATE TO AMPLIFY

DAY 2

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

26 February 2026

Lagoon Beach Hotel, Cape Town

8.30 - 9.00

VENUE: 1ST FLOOR/ THE ATRIUM

Arrival & Refreshments

9.00 - 9.30

VENUE: ATLANTIC SUITE (GROUND FLOOR)

Welcome & Opening Energisers

Facilitator: Wayde Groep

9.30 - 9.50

Keynote Address

**Speaker: Dr Kate Philip, Programme Lead
Presidential Employment Stimulus**

9.50 - 10.50

Opening Plenary: Celebrating Effective
Collaborations Toward Impact

Facilitator: Yolisa Shugu, The Learning Trust

Presenters:

- Tebogo Loate (Lefa Cooperative)
- Claudia Stanfield (DGMT/ALP)
- Mmakgosi Chaane-Pule (Standard Bank Tutuwa Community Foundation)
- Andrew Barrett (Olico Maths)
- Zama Zulu (Masinyusane Development Organisation)

10.50 - 11.20

VENUE: 1ST FLOOR/THE ATRIUM

NETWORKING TEA BREAK

11.20 - 12.30

Plenary Session: Beyond the Brink:
Pathways to Work and Learning in a
Failing Economy

Facilitator: Wayde Groep

Speakers:

- Yolisa Shugu (The Learning Trust)
- Robert Davids (YearBeyond)
- Wendy Abrahams (WC Consortium)
- Motsilisi Phutheho (GP Consortium)

VENUE: RESTAURANT - GROUND FLOOR

12.30 - 13.30

NETWORKING LUNCH BREAK

VENUE: ATLANTIC 1

13.30 -15.30

**Idea Lab 1: Navigating Implementation
Challenges – Real Talk from the Front Lines**

Facilitator: Cindy Mkaza-Siboto

Speakers:

- Zama Zulu (Masinyusane)
- Motsilisi Phuthetho (Soweto Basketball)
- Simphiwe Magakwe (Leva Foundation)
- Litha Sam (Loxion Mobile Library)

VENUE: ATLANTIC 2

**Idea Lab 2: From Placement to Pathways –
Tracking Long-Term Youth Outcomes**

**Facilitator: Stanford Ndlovu (Masinyusane
Development Organisation)**

Speakers:

- Nolu Gqadu (Code Engwana)
- Leona Chabata (Just Grace)
- Dietrich Baron (Edunova)

VENUE: PACIFIC 1

**Idea Lab 3: Raising Quality Standards Through
Strong School Partnerships**

Facilitator: Zoe Mann

VENUE: 1ST FLOOR/THE ATRIUM

15:30 - 16.00

Afternoon Tea Break

VENUE: ATLANTIC SUITE - GROUND FLOOR

16.00-16.45

Closing Session

**Join us in celebrating 15 years of The
Learning Trust**