



# INFORMALITY AND THE URBAN FOOD SYSTEM: POLICY, PRACTICE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH THROUGH A FOOD LENS

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Cape Town, South Africa



# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Monday 15th February 2016

- 8.00 Arrival, tea and coffee
- 8.30 WELCOME – Edgar Pieterse, director of African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town, and Jonathan Crush, CIGI Chair in Global Migration and Development, Balsillie School of International Affairs and Honorary Professor, UCT; Principal Investigators, Hungry Cities Partnership
- PANEL 1: Chair: Mary Caesar, Balsillie School of International Affairs
- 9.00 Edgar Pieterse – **Informal Cities**
- 9.15 Jonathan Crush – **The Hungry Cities Informal Agenda**
- PANEL 2: **Cape Town’s Informal Food Economy** – Chair: Caroline Skinner, African Centre for Cities and WEIGO
- 9:30 Jane Battersby, African Centre for Cities – **Space for Cape Town’s Informal Food Economy**
- 9:45 Mary Caesar – **Household Participation in Cape Town’s Informal Food Economy**
- 10:00 Godfrey Tawodzera, University of Limpopo, and Abel Chikanda, University of Kansas – **Migrants and Refugees in the Informal Food Economy of Cape Town**
- 10:15 Vanya Gastrow, Wits University – **Migrant Traders in Local Economies: Somali Shops in Cape Town**
- 10:30 Q&A and facilitated discussion
- 11:00 Tea
- PANEL 3: **African Comparisons** – Chair: Gareth Haysom, African Centre for Cities
- 11:30 Florian Kroll, AFSUN affiliate – **Johannesburg’s Informal Food Economy**
- 11:45 Ndeyapo Nickanor, University of Namibia – **Windhoek’s Informal Food Economy**
- 12:00 Percy Toriro, University of Cape Town – **Harare’s Informal Food Economy**
- 12:15 Bruce Frayne (University of Waterloo) and Magnus Jirström (Lund University) – **The Urban Informal Food Economy in Ghana, Kenya and Uganda**
- 12:30 Q&A and facilitated discussion
- 13:00 Lunch

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Changing Food System Presentation and Discussion – Chair: Jonathan Crush

14:00 Thomas Reardon, Michigan State University – **The Quiet Revolution in Urban Food Systems**

14:30 Q&A and facilitated discussion

PANEL 4: **Hungry City Comparisons** – Chair: Godfrey Tawodzera

14:50 Elizabeth Thomas-Hope, University of West Indies: Mona – **Household Patronage and Participation in Kingston's Informal Food Economy**

15:05 Steffanie Scott, University of Waterloo, and Taiyang Zhong, Nanjing University – **Household Patronage and Participation in Nanjing's Informal Food Economy**

15:20 Cameron McCordic, Balsillie School of International Affairs – **Household Patronage and Participation in Maputo's Informal Food Economy**

15:35 Ines Raimundo, Eduardo Mondlane University – **Informal Traders and Maputo's Urban Food Economy**

15:50 Q&A and facilitated discussion

PANEL 5: **Policy Roundtable on Informal Entrepreneurship** – Chair: Bruce Frayne

16:30 Tristan Gorgens, Provincial Government of the Western Cape – **The Draft Western Cape Food and Nutrition Strategy**

16:40 Arundhatie Kundal, University of the Western Cape – **On the Street Food Livelihoods Trail: From India to South Africa**

16:50 Caroline Skinner – **Food and the Urban Informal Economy**

17:00 Gareth Haysom – **Managing Informal Food Systems**

17:10 Q&A and facilitated discussion

17:30 Thanks – Jonathan Crush

The Hungry Cities Partnership: Informality, Inclusive Growth and Food Security in the Cities of the Global South is an international research project examining food security and inclusive growth in cities in the Global South. The five-year collaborative project aims to understand how cities in the Global South will manage the food security challenges arising from rapid urbanisation and the transformation of urban food systems.



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