

GICA 2025 OCTOBER CONFERENCE AGENDA

GICA Activities will occur in the Old Harbour Venue Area on Level B2 of The Westin Cape Town

Tuesday, 14 October 2025

10:00 am – 4:00pm	Government Knowledge Sharing Session* (room details shared separately) <i>*Available exclusively to government officials. Moderated by Inigo Guevara, Janes</i>
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Welcome Reception

Wednesday, 15 October 2025: General Session Day 1

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Edrei du Toit , GICA Chairperson <i>Opening Remarks</i>
9:15 AM – 9:35 AM	Isaac Motale , Vice Chairperson, AMD <i>Opening Address</i>
9:35 AM – 10:05 AM	Inigo Guevara , Managing Director, Janes <i>Building Blocks: Geopolitics and Defense Industrial Cooperation in Emerging Economies</i>
10:05 AM – 10:45 AM	Panel: Reshme Pillay - dtic (Moderator), Sefale Montsi - Damen, Petunia Shadi Lebese - Armscor, R Adm (JG) Tebogo Michael Motsene – South African Navy, and Harald Bielfeld - Reutech Radar Systems <i>Project BIRO: Building Ships, Building Industry. South Africa's Industrial Participation Put to the Test</i>
10:45 AM – 11:30 AM	NETWORKING BREAK
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Commander Syed Ali Sarfraz , Director PMSTP, Pakistan Maritime Science & Technology Park - Pakistan Navy <i>Introduction to PMSTP and opportunities for Industrial Partners</i>
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	João Taborda , Vice-President - Government Affairs, Europe and Central Asia, Embraer <i>Offsets and Cooperation from the South: An Update from Embraer</i>
12:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Isaac Motale , Vice Chairperson, AMD <i>Introduction to AMD and SAAMDEC</i>
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	LUNCH
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Breakout Session 1A <i>Vasco Da Gama Room</i>	Breakout Session 1B <i>Sir Francis Drake Room</i>	Breakout Session 1C <i>Bartholomew Diaz Room</i>
Graham Gall , Localization Director, KSA Paul Marks , Industrial Development Senior Manager, Lockheed Martin <i>Lockheed Martin's Experience in KSA, Spanning 60 Years</i>	David Massey , Chief Executive Officer, Abu Dhabi Ship Building <i>From Importer to Innovator: Empowering Local Economies Through Localization</i>	Sureiya Adam , Programme Manager, Denel SOC Ltd. <i>Lessons learnt: Implementation of Industrial Collaboration Projects from both the Recipient and Obligor's point of view</i>

3:00 PM – 3:40 PM	NETWORKING BREAK
3:40 PM – 4:10 PM	Rod Cave , Owner & Publisher, CTO <i>Industrial Cooperation and Critical Materials</i>
4:10 PM – 4:40 PM	António Aroso , Aerospace and Defence Manager, AICEP - Portugal Trade & Investment Agency <i>Portugal's Growing Ecosystem: Enabling Innovation and International Cooperation</i>
4:40 PM – 4:45 PM	<i>GICA Closing Remarks</i>
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Networking Reception

Thursday, 16 October 2025: General Session Day 2

9:00 AM – 9:10 AM	<i>GICA Opening Remarks</i>
9:10 AM – 9:30 AM	Zukiswa Kimani , Chief Director: Industrial Policy, The Department of Trade, Industry & Competition (dtic) <i>Impact of Public Procurement Instruments to Support Industrial Policy</i>
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Ankur Gupta , Director Strategy- International & Industrial Partnerships, Airbus Defence & Space <i>India's evolution from Offset to Industrial Cooperation to...???</i>
10:00 AM – 10:10 AM	Joseph Royce , Senior Strategy and Policy Advisor, UK Ministry of Defense <i>The UK Defense Industrial Strategy: Defence as an Engine for Growth</i>
10:10 AM – 10:55 AM	NETWORKING BREAK
10:55 AM – 11:25 AM	Louise Johansson , Head of Joint Resources and Command and Information Systems, The Swedish Defence Materiel Administration/FMV and Stephen Lewis , UK Partner, Constructive-Edge (Facilitator) <i>Fireside Chat with FMV</i>
11:25 AM – 11:55 AM	Christian Sylvain , President, Judian International Consultancy Ltd <i>Challenges to Build Industrial Capacity in Africa Through Strategic Collaboration</i>
11:55 AM – 12:10PM	Zuko Godlimpi , MP, Deputy Minister, The Department of Trade, Industry & Competition (dtic) <i>Remarks from the Deputy Minister</i>
12:10 PM – 1:10 PM	LUNCH

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1:10 PM – 2:10 PM	Breakout Session Block One		
Breakout Session 2A <i>Vasco Da Gama Room</i> Eva Moloi , HR and Transformation Manager, Damen Shipyards Cape Town <i>Doing Business in South Africa and Beyond: Transformation, Inclusion, and Global Parallels</i>	Breakout Session 2B <i>Sir Francis Drake Room</i> Marcus Reuter , Business Development: QUADOME 3D Radar, HENSOLDT South Africa <i>Strategic Partnerships Driving South Africa's Defence Capability - The QUADOME Success Story</i>	Breakout Session 2C <i>Bartholomew Diaz Room</i> Erwan de Cherisey , Principal, Janes <i>Major Players in Africa – A Look at the Defence Equipment Suppliers Active on the Continent</i>	
2:10 PM – 2:20 PM	<i>Attendees move rooms as needed</i>		
2:20 PM – 3:20 PM	Breakout Session Block Two		
Breakout Session 3A <i>Vasco Da Gama Room</i> Lindokuhle Hlatshwayo , Senior Project Advisor, Government Technical Advisory Centre (GTAC) <i>Overview of the Public Private Partnership in South Africa</i> Dr. Mthobisi Zondi , CEO, Sandock Austral Defence (on behalf of AMD) <i>Proposed Framework to Operationalise the New PPP Regulations Within the Defence Sector</i>	Breakout Session 3B <i>Sir Francis Drake Room</i> Johan van Nieuwenhuizen , Director, Industrial Participation, Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. <i>Beyond the Cockpit: The Pilatus PC-7 MkII Offset Success Story</i>	Breakout Session 3C <i>Bartholomew Diaz Room</i> Michael Bromley , STBB, Tumelo Chipfupa , Ernst & Young, Paul Marks , Lockheed Martin, Thabang Mashifane , ARMSCOR (Moderator) <i>Navigating Legal Minefields in Multi-Stakeholder IP Deals Panel</i>	

3:20 PM – 4:00 PM	NETWORKING BREAK
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Andries van Wyk , Chief Defence Analyst, Defence Decision Support Institute <i>South Africa's Defence Industry: Bridging Borders Through Innovation and Partnership</i>
4:30 PM – 4:45 PM	Edrei du Toit , GICA Chair, and Andrew Rizley , Spring 2026 Conference Champion – Closing Remarks
5:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Staggered bus departures to the Closing Dinner event
5:45 PM – 12:00 AM	GICA Closing Dinner Event
9:00PM – 12:00 PM	Staggered bus departures back to The Westin Cape Town Hotel

