



**CAPE Partners' Conference 23 and 24 June 2011**  
**Percheron Hall, Elsenburg Agricultural Training College**

**DAY 1 – 23 June 2011**

	<b>THEME</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>
8:00 – 9:00	<b>Arrival and Registration</b>	
Session 1 9:00 – 10:30	<p><b>Developing a shared vision for production landscapes in the fynbos region</b></p> <p>This opening session sets the scene in terms of development priorities in the rural landscape – addressing the socio-economic needs and rights of all communities, while protecting the natural systems that underpin economic activity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome by Ms Joyene Isaacs, Head of Department, Western Cape Department of Agriculture</li> <li>• Introduction by Carmel Mbizvo, Deputy DG SANBI</li> <li>• Ten years of collaboration through the CAPE programme by Mandy Barnett, CAPE Coordinator</li> <li>• International perspective on contribution of biodiversity and ecosystem services to agriculture and rural development by Nik Sekhran, UNDP</li> <li>• Government priorities and making the case for biodiversity conservation and agriculture by Kristal Maze, SANBI</li> <li>• Agri-Western Cape input by Johan Bothma</li> <li>• Conservation Farming perspective by Liz Eglington</li> <li>• Emerging Farmer perspective by Paul Swart</li> </ul>
Session 2 11:00 – 12:30	<p><b>The value of natural capital</b></p> <p>Introduction by Tracey Cumming on the role of intact natural systems in providing services to farmers and downstream communities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soil health and the long term management of this resource by Willem de Clerq</li> <li>• Finding a sustainable solution to river instability in the Western Cape by Hans King</li> <li>• The role of wetlands in preventing floods and sustainable management of wetlands by Japie Buckle</li> <li>• The value of pollination ecosystem services to agriculture and conservation by Carol Poole</li> <li>• The role of insurance in building social and ecological resilience by Deon Nel</li> </ul>
	<b>LUNCH</b>	
Session 3 13.30 – 15.10	<p><b>The shift towards more sustainable farming practices</b></p> <p>Introduction by Ilse Trautman on</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Woolworths Good Business Journey by Tom McLaughlin</li> <li>• Holistic farming including the management of damage causing animals by Trenly Spence</li> <li>• Demonstration of GreenChoice platform and tools developed for</li> </ul>

	global and local trends towards more sustainable and biodiversity-compatible agriculture	<p>Producers and Conservationists by Cherie Forbes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Right Rooibos - promoting sustainability in the Rooibos industry by Gerhard Pretorius</li> <li>• "Tread Lightly / Loop Lig" Ostrich Biodiversity Project: Balancing Conservation and Utilization in the Klein Karoo by Anita Wheeler</li> <li>• Future of natural resource management programmes in SA and their benefits for conservation and Agriculture by Christo Marais</li> </ul>
Session 4 15.40 – 17:00	<p><b>Natural solutions - adapting to climate change</b></p> <p>Introduction by Sarshen Marais on the anticipated impacts of climate change on biodiversity and agriculture in the fynbos region, and potential for ecosystem-based adaptation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate change models and scenarios by Stephanie Midgley</li> <li>• Investigating and mapping yield impacts on wheat production zones in the Western Cape under future climate change by Mike Wallace</li> <li>• Learning for adaptation to climate change: participatory monitoring of environmental change by Shannon Parring and Lena Kotze</li> <li>• Managing water resources in a changing climate, the Sandveld Case Study by Andre Roux</li> </ul>
17.00	<b>End of day one</b>	
18.30	<b>Awards evening/gala dinner</b>	

## DAY 2 - 24 June 2011

8.30 – 9.00	<b>Arrival and Registration</b>	
Session 5 9:00 – 10:30	<p><b>Diversification of rural livelihoods and land use</b></p> <p>Introduction by Stefan Conradie on trends in land uses in the region and impacts on biodiversity, and major economic drivers of land use change</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land reform in the Western Cape – challenges and opportunities for agriculture and conservation by Dudley Adolph</li> <li>• Game farming in the Klein Karoo and challenges in terms of human-wildlife interaction by Ken Coetzee</li> <li>• Finding the niche and farming in harmony with nature - Fair trade Biodiversity friendly Rooibos by Rhoda Malgas and Gerrie Koopman</li> <li>• Fynbos Focus : Sustainability &amp; Markets by Frieda Lloyd</li> <li>• Making Stewardship Work – Building Multi-skilled Teams that Provide Key Land Management Services onto Priority Conservation Areas and Incentivize Landowners by Onno Huyser</li> </ul>
Session 6 11:00 – 12:30	<p><b>Governance and partnerships for resource mobilisation</b></p> <p>Introduction by Francis Steyn on partnerships between agriculture and conservation sectors through landscape initiatives, business and biodiversity initiatives and natural resource management collaboration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Streamlining the permitting process with a view to creating a more effective administrative environment by Gerhard Gerber</li> <li>• Landowners forging partnerships in the Nuwejaars Wetland by Mick Dalton</li> <li>• Natural resource management agency partnerships for combining and leveraging resources in the Upper Breede Valley by Martin Albertus</li> <li>• Conservation partnerships in the Baviaanskloof by Odirilwe Selomane</li> <li>• Rural development involving all three spheres of government: Dysseisdorp a case study by Stefan Conradie</li> </ul>
Session 7 12:30 – 13:30	<b>Way forward for collaboration in CAPE Phase 2</b>	
13.30 -	<b>LUNCH and CLOSURE</b>	