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Circular No. 2, Week ending 25th November, 2016

Countdown to the Summit: 104 days

Spotlight on Speaker

Nico Groenewald (Head Agribusiness, Personal and Business Banking, Standard Bank of SA)

Nico was born in 1966 in the Northern Free State, raised and completed his schooling in Mpumalanga Highveld.

He completed his BSC Agricultural Economics degree at the University of Pretoria in 1988.

After completion of compulsory military service, Nico joined Standard Bank as an aspirant Agricultural Advisor.

In the early 90's he moved on to the (then) Co-Operative landscape as an Agricultural Production Economist in the Eastern Free State where he was responsible for winter/summer cash crop budgets, farm risk analysis and farm viability assessments.



Nico re-joined Standard Bank in 1997 in the Agricultural Credit Department as a Credit

Manager and also completed his MBA at the University of the North West.

Since 1997 Nico fulfilled various roles and leadership positions within Standard Bank's Credit and Business Units, closely linked to Agriculture.

Nico was appointed as Head of Agribusiness in 2013.

Nico lives in Pretoria, together with his wife Tessa, and their 2 children. He enjoys endurance sport, outdoor life, and also farms part time in Mpumalanga.

Nico and his team are constantly identifying emerging trends and its underlying drivers in Agriculture, focusing on the value chains which provide several opportunities to cement Agribusiness as a prominent sector, providing sustainable existence for mankind.

Nico and his team also have a strong focus on the dynamics between the fine balance of improving efficiencies within a commercial framework and business expansion.

For more details & registration visit <u>www.cgasummit.co.za</u> Limited seats available.

Confirmed Speakers

- Mohammad Karaan (Dean of Faculty Agri Sciences, Stellenbosch University)
- Nico Groenewald (Standard Bank)
- Frans Cronjé (Institute of Race Relations)
- John Purchase (CEO, Agbiz)
- Mono Mashaba (Chairman, CGA-GDC)
- Jacomien De Klerk (General Manager, Citrus Academy)
- Thembeka Meyiwa (Intern, CGA)
- Julian Ribeiro (TBWA Hunt Lascaris)
- Jacques du Preez (Hortgro)
- Anton Kruger (CEO, FPEF)
- Hannes de Waal (CGA Lemon Focus Group)
- Jan-Louis Pretorius (CGA Grapefruit Focus Group)
- Graham Barry (Cultivar Specialist)
- Parth Karvat (Yupaa Group, India)
- Rocco Renaldi / Deon Joubert (CGA EU Representatives)
- Mikhail Fateev (CGA Russia Representative)
- Vaughan Hattingh (CEO, Citrus Research International)
- Inge Kotzé (World Wide Fund for Nature)

Costs (Registration fee):

CGA Members = R 1,200 + VAT Exporters/Stakeholders = R 2,000 + VAT Government Officials = R 1,200 + VAT

Students = R 1,200 + VATOverseas Delegates = \$200

Optional Extras:

Gala Dinner (8th March) = R250pp + VAT Study Tour (incl. accommodation) = R 1,500 + VAT

Summit Registration Includes:

- Welcome Dinner (7th March)
- Conference bag
- Tea, coffee and/or water
- Lunch (8th & 9th March)
- 11/2 Day Conference

Programme:

Monday 6th March: Study Tour

Tuesday 7th March: Study Tour

Tuesday 7th March: Welcome Dinner for registered

CGA Summit delegates

Wednesday 8th March: Day 1 of Summit

Wednesday 8th March: Gala Dinner

Thursday 9th March: Day 2 of Summit

Thursday 9th March: CGA Members Meeting

scheduled for after Summit

Programme Download

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