



PENSION FUND GOVERNANCE SYMPOSIUM

FOR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS &
CHAIRPERSONS 2025

Latest Trends for 2025 and Beyond

*"Pension Fund Governance: Navigating the Future with
Innovation and Integrity"*

Empowering Leaders to Shape Sustainable and Resilient Pension Systems

**19th - 21st
March 2025**

**Southern Sun, Waterfront,
Cape Town**



Introduction

Premier knowledge Centre is happy to welcome you to the **Pension Funds Governance Symposium: Latest Trends for 2025 and Beyond**, hosted by Premier Knowledge. As we navigate the complexities of the modern financial landscape, effective governance of pension funds has never been more critical. This symposium is designed to provide principal officers and chairpersons with the latest insights, strategies, and tools to enhance governance practices and ensure the sustainability and growth of pension funds. We will dive into how pension funds schemes can invest in non-traditional portfolios like power generation and agriculture and also look at carbon credits on the environment and how can pension funds rise to ESG challenges.

Over the next three days, we will delve into key topics such as regulatory changes, risk management, digital transformation, and ethical investment. Our distinguished speakers and panelists, who are leaders in their fields, will share their expertise and experiences, offering valuable perspectives on the challenges and opportunities ahead.

This symposium is not just about learning; it's about engaging with peers, sharing best practices, and building a network of professionals committed to excellence in pension fund governance. We encourage you to actively participate in the discussions, workshops, and networking sessions to maximize the benefits of this event.

Thank you for joining us. We look forward to a productive and inspiring symposium.



Radisson Blu Hotel - Cape Town

Who Should Attend

This symposium is designed for:

Principal Officers <i>Those responsible for the overall management and administration of pension funds</i>	Chairpersons <i>Leaders of pension fund boards who oversee governance and strategic direction</i>	Board Members <i>Individuals involved in the decision-making processes of pension funds</i>
Regulatory Authorities <i>Representatives from regulatory bodies who oversee pension fund compliance and governance</i>	Investment Managers <i>Professionals managing the investment portfolios of pension funds</i>	Risk Management Specialists <i>Experts focused on identifying and mitigating risks within pension funds</i>
Governance Consultants <i>Advisors who provide guidance on best practices in pension fund governance</i>	Technology Experts <i>Professionals involved in the digital transformation of pension fund operations</i>	ESG Specialists <i>Experts in ethical investment and environmental, social, and governance criteria</i>

We believe that the diverse perspectives and expertise of our attendees will contribute to a rich and dynamic exchange of ideas, ultimately enhancing the governance of pension funds for the future.

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Hosted by Premier Knowledge

Day 1: Setting the Stage

- 08:00 - 09:00** | Registration and Welcome Coffee
- 09:00 - 09:30** | Opening Remarks
 - ☑ **Speaker:** Premier Knowledge Representative
- 09:30 - 10:30** | Keynote Address: The Future of Pension Funds Governance
- 10:30 - 11:00** | Networking Tea Break
- 11:00 - 12:30** | **Panel Discussion:** Regulatory Changes and Compliance
 - ☑ **Panelists:** Regulatory Authorities, Legal Experts
- 12:30 - 13:30** | Lunch Break
- 13:30 - 15:00** | **Workshop:** Risk Management Strategies
- 15:00 - 15:30** | Coffee Break
- 15:30 - 17:00** | Case Study: Successful Pension Fund Governance Models
 - ☑ **Presenter:** Pension Fund Manager

Day 2: Deep Dive into Governance

- 08:30 - 09:00** | Registration and Morning Refreshments
- 09:00 - 10:30** | **Session:** Digital Transformation in Pension Funds
 - ☑ **Speaker:** Technology Expert
- 10:30 - 11:00** | Networking Break
- 11:00 - 12:30** | **Panel Discussion:** Ethical Investment and ESG Criteria
 - ☑ **Panelists:** Investment Managers, ESG Specialists
- 12:30 - 13:30** | Lunch Break
- 13:30 - 15:00** | **Workshop:** Enhancing Board Effectiveness
 - ☑ **Facilitator:** Governance Consultant
- 15:00 - 15:30** | Coffee Break
- 15:30 - 17:00** | **Interactive Workshop:** Scenario Planning and Crisis Management
 - ☑ **Facilitator:** Crisis Management Expert
 - ☑ **Description:** Participants will engage in scenario-based exercises to develop strategies for managing potential crises in pension fund governance

Day 3: Looking Ahead

- 08:30 - 09:00** | Morning Coffee
- 09:00 - 10:30** | **Session:** Innovations in Pension Fund Management
 - ☑ **Speaker:** Innovation Specialist
- 10:30 - 11:00** | Networking Tea Break
- 11:00 - 12:30** | **Panel Discussion:** Global Trends and Their Impact on Local Markets
 - ☑ **Panelists:** International Experts
- 12:30 - 13:30** | Lunch Break
- 13:30 - 15:00** | **Workshop:** Strategic Planning for the Future
 - ☑ **Facilitator:** Strategic Planning Expert
- 15:00 - 15:30** | Coffee Break
- 15:30 - 17:00** | **Interactive Workshop:** Scenario Planning and Crisis Management
 - ☑ **Facilitator:** Crisis Management Expert

Workshop Objectives

- ☒ Equip participants with practical skills to handle crises effectively.
- ☒ Enhance understanding of scenario planning and its importance in crisis management.
- ☒ Foster collaborative problem-solving and decision-making under pressure.

Workshop Agenda

15:30 - 15:45 | Introduction and Overview

- ☒ **Facilitator:** Brief introduction to crisis management principles and the importance of scenario planning.
- ☒ **Objectives:** Outline the goals and structure of the workshop.

15:45 - 16:15 | Scenario-Based Exercises

- ☒ **Activity:** Participants will be divided into small groups and given different crisis scenarios related to pension fund governance (e.g., financial market crash, regulatory changes, cybersecurity breach).
- ☒ **Task:** Each group will analyze their scenario, identify key risks, and develop a response plan.
- ☒ **Outcome:** Groups will present their plans, highlighting key strategies and decision-making processes.

16:15 - 16:30 | Group Discussion and Feedback

- ☒ **Activity:** Facilitator will lead a discussion on the different approaches taken by each group.
- ☒ **Focus:** Emphasize best practices, common pitfalls, and innovative solutions.
- ☒ **Feedback:** Participants will receive constructive feedback on their crisis management strategies.

16:30 - 16:45 | Crisis Management Tools and Techniques

- ☒ **Presentation:** Overview of essential tools and techniques for effective crisis management, including communication strategies, risk assessment frameworks, and contingency planning.
- ☒ **Interactive Element:** Participants will engage in a Q&A session to clarify doubts and share insights.

16:45 - 17:00 | Wrap-Up and Key Takeaways

- ☒ **Summary:** Recap of the key lessons learned during the workshop.
- ☒ **Action Plan:** Participants will be encouraged to develop a personal action plan for improving crisis management in their respective organizations.
- ☒ **Closing Remarks:** Facilitator will provide final thoughts and encourage ongoing learning and collaboration.

Day 4: Activities Day

Excursion and Networking



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