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## The Macroeconomic Impact of Covid-19 in Africa

### *Policy Responses from South Africa and Nigeria*

**11 August 2021, 15:00 – 16:30 GMT+2, Zoom**

More than a year after the height of the global coronavirus pandemic, researchers, businesses, and policymakers are keen to fully understand the impact of the pandemic on our economies. Moreover, unpacking the long-term implications and policy responses are critical to successfully navigate the economic crises.

This webinar will share empirical evidence of the impact of Covid-19 on Africa's two largest economies, South Africa, and Nigeria. Researchers from the Covid-19 Macroeconomic Policy Research in Africa (CoMPRA) project will unpack their findings. They will be joined by policymakers from the respective countries to further explore policy dimensions of Covid-19 in these two economies and contemplate the way forward to successful sustainable and inclusive economic recovery.

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Time	Programme
15h00 – 15h15	Welcoming and Introduction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elizabeth Sidiropoulos, Chief Executive, South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA)</li><li>• Dr Arjan de Haan, Senior Program Specialist: Sustainable Inclusive Economies, International Development Research Centre (IDRC)</li></ul>
	<b><i>Experiences from South Africa and Nigeria</i></b>
15h15 – 16h25	Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elizabeth Sidiropoulos, Chief Executive, SAIIA</li></ul> Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">‘Lessons for Macroeconomic Policy from Nigeria Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic’</a>, Mma Amara Ekeruche, Research Fellow, CSEA</li><li>• <a href="#">‘Macroeconomic Policy Development: Lessons Learnt from South Africa during COVID-19’</a>, Conrad Vangass, Research Associate, SAIIA</li></ul> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vuyelwa Vumendlini, Deputy Director General: International and Regional Economic Policy, National Treasury, South Africa (TBC)</li><li>• Dr Hassan Mahmud, Director, Monetary Policy, Central Bank of Nigeria</li><li>• Dr Paul Okiira Okwi, Senior Programme Specialist, IDRC</li><li>• Dr Miguel Jaramillo, Senior Researcher, Group for the Analysis of Development – GRADE</li></ul> Q&A Session
16h25 – 16h30	Closing Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Adedeji Adeniran, Director of Research, Centre for the Study of the Economies of Africa (CSEA)</li></ul>

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