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Economic Research Southern Africa (ERSA) and the Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit (SALDRU) are pleased to invite you to the 2025 December Workshop on Frontiers in Applied Economics for Developing Countries.

Join leading academics for a two-day exchange of frontier research on applied economics in developing countries. The workshop provides a space for global and local researchers to connect, collaborate, and advance impactful ideas.

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Dedicated PhD session showcasing emerging researchers



Networking opportunities with academics from top global institutions and 13 South African universities

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Keynote Speakers



Prof. Joseph Kaboski
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

Growth, development & international economics | Frisch Medal (2012) | NBER, STEG Co-Academic Lead



Prof. Taryn DinkelmanUNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME
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