

Lex-Informatica 2026

30-31 July 2026 (2 Day Hybrid Conference)

08:00 AM – 17:00 PM

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Day 1 Program (30 July 2026): Chaired by Prof. Snail Ka Mtuze

08:00 – 08:30 AM

Arrival, Registration & Breakfast Refreshments

Participant registration and refreshments.

08:30 – 08:45 AM

Welcome Speech

Conference Chair: Prof. Sizwe Snail ka Mtuze
Snail Attorneys @ Law

08:45 – 09:00 AM

CSIR Representative

Dr. Jabu Mtsweni
CSIR

09:00 – 09:30 AM

Keynote Speaker 1

Deputy Minister Honorable Andries Nel
Department of Justice and Constitutional Development

09:30 – 10:00 AM

Keynote Speaker 2 (AI Sovereignty)

Prof. Luca Belli,
FGV, Brazil

10:00 – 10:30 AM

Data Processing in Law Enforcement in South Africa: Lessons from European Union for the Border Management Authority

Adv Nandipha Ntsaluba,
Unisa

10:30 – 11:00 AM

Tea / Coffee

Networking Break

11:00 – 11:20 AM

CYBERSECURITY

Mr. Lucien Pierce
Tellekons

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11:20 – 11:40 AM

Commercial Space Activities and the New African Space Economy: Legal Challenges for Private Sector Participants

Ms NP Kunene, Ms. PN Ndlazi- LLM candidate, UL
Advocate SE Ngwane- NRS Cyberlex, Lecturer, UL

11:40 AM – 12:00 PM

Rewriting the South African AI Policy

Dr. Jabu Mtsweni,
CSIR / AI Expert Panel DCDT

12:00 – 12:10 PM

Panel Discussion & Q&A

12:10 – 12:30 PM

Generative Artificial Intelligence and Copyright Law in South Africa: Is the the Current Legal Framework For Purpose)

Matsitsilane Tema
University of Limpopo

12:30 – 12:50 PM

Quantum Computing: The next frontier

Nerushka Bowan
Litt Institute

12:50 – 13:00 AM

Panel discussion & Q&A

13:00 – 14:00 PM

Networking Lunch

14:00 – 14:30 PM

AI-Native Startups and Related AI Governance

Buntu Majaja
SA Innovation Week

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14:30 – 14:50 PM

Software Engineering of Moral Philosophies in The Delivery of Automated and Artificial Decision Technologies)

Ntathakusa Nkehli
New Dawn of Intelligence

14:50 – 15:10 PM

Data Protection Impact Assessments under the GDPR: Regulatory Challenges and Lessons from the Practice of the Hungarian DPA

Dr. Andrea & Dr. Attila,
Data Protection Expert of the Hungarian Data Protection Authority

15:10 – 15:30 PM

South African Digital Sovereignty: A "dream" or Prospect

Bhekimuzi Zwane,
University of Limpopo

15:30 – 15:50 PM

The impact of AI on the quality of Legal Education: An analysis of ethical standards for Legal Educators

Julia Maphori,
University of Limpopo

15:50 – 16:10 PM

Artificial Intelligence and Law: Regulatory Fragmentation, Liability Gaps, and the search for coherence in the age of Generative AI

Xolisa Faku,
LLD Candidate, University of Fort Hare

16:10 – 16:30 PM

Panel discussion & Q&A

16:30 – 17:00 PM

Closing Session : Reflecting on papers presented on day 1

Prof. Sizwe Snail ka Mtuza
Snail Attorneys @ Law / Nelson Mandela University