

## Meeting agenda

# How does everyone get a stake in the transition?

GEC Global Meeting, 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
Hilton City Centre, Cape Town, South Africa

We know that the green economic transition is necessary, urgent, and already underway. But we need to ensure that the new green economy improves the lives of ordinary people everywhere - and our meeting will focus on how we can help to make the economies of the future equitable, inclusive, and people-focused.

This year marks a milestone in our evolution as a network. With 7 country programmes now up and running around the world, our partner organisations will be sharing their stories from the frontlines of the green economic transition: evidence of real and

positive improvements, with the potential to achieve scale across nations, and change lives.

Co-hosted with our South African partners, The African Centre and Trade & Industrial Policy Strategies (TIPS), we will be taking stock of the global transition and planning our next steps together as the largest civil society movement for fair, green economies.

This year we also hold our meeting back to back with the UN-PAGE Ministerial meeting, on the 10<sup>th</sup> – 11th January. If you are interested in attending the PAGE Ministerial, please make sure you have registered for passes [here](#).

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**Venue:** Hilton Cape Town City Centre  
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In addition to the Hilton, we can recommend the following hotels, within easy reach of the venue: [Mandela Rhodes Place Hotel](#); [Holiday Inn Express](#); [Marriott Protea Fire & Ice](#)

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# Day One: State of Play

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January

8.30 - 9.00 **Registration & Networking**

9.00 - 9.30 **Meeting Opening & Welcome**

9.30 - 11.00 **What is the status of the transition to green economies in Africa?**

A closer look at major trends defining the transition in Africa. What is working and what is not? Who is getting a stake? What can be done differently?

11.00 - 11.30 **Coffee & Networking**

11.30 - 12.30 **Stories of change**

Hearing stories and solutions of an inclusive and fair transition in action from GEC in Peru, Mongolia, India and the Caribbean. How do we scale up learnings across our network?

12.30 - 13.30 **Lunch & Networking**

13.30 - 14.30 **What is the status of the global transition?**

A look at major trends, investment flows and policy change on the global green economy horizon. What do these changes mean for stakeholders? How can we track this transition across different geographies? How do we hold decision makers to account?

14.30 - 15:00 **Coffee & Networking**

15.00 - 16.00 **Dialogues: From citizen movement to public action**

Reflection on different experiences of building an adaptive, inclusive transition; how movement inspires policy or works in the absence of policy. What makes GEC Dialogues critical in shaping policy?

16.00 - 17:00 **The way forward – GEC network at 10**

The GEC network 10 years in, and the way forward for the next decade of activity.

17:00 - 18:30 **Conference close, networking & drinks**



# Day Two: Solutions

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January

8.30 - 9.00 **Registration & Networking**

9.00 - 9.30 **From movement to policy & PAGE**

Recap of Day One and an introduction to Day Two. A focus on green economy policy positions for the PAGE Ministerial Conference.

9.30 - 10.30 **Parallel policy groups – PAGE/GEC Themes (Round 1)**

Parallel policy discussions covering the four key themes of the PAGE Ministerial Conference:

1. Finance Reform
2. Green Economy Strategies & Natural Capital
3. Inclusion
4. Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)

Participants and coalition members will work together to help define policies, issues and conversations that need to be had at the PAGE Ministerial Conference to ensure the new green economy improves the lives of ordinary people.

10.30 - 11.00 **Coffee & Networking**

11.00 - 12.00 **Parallel policy groups – PAGE/GEC themes (Round 2)**

Continuing thematic conversations to contribute to PAGE policy groups.

12.00 – 12.30 **Getting a stake: Policy conclusions for PAGE & beyond**

Building on the morning parallel sessions, together we explore headlines from each policy discussion. Which policies ensure that the green economy transition gives people a stake and how can decision-makers at the PAGE Ministerial make them happen?

12.30 - 12.45 **Closing ceremony**

Conference close and passing of the baton to next year's host – Development Alternatives, India.

12.45 – 13.45 **Lunch & Networking**

From 18.00 **Media Debate - What makes your country wealthy?**

Hosted by GEC & GGKP at the Cape Town International Convention Centre. [Register here.](#)

