

Durham Africa Summit
Resilience and Renaissance: Fostering Sustainable Development
and Innovation in Africa

Monday 26 February
Penthouse Suite, Collingwood College, Durham University

AGENDA

Morning Session

- 09:30 - 09:45:** **Arrival**
- 09:45 - 10:00:** **Opening Remarks:** Professor Hannah Brown, Department of Anthropology, Durham University and Co-convenor of the Researching Africa Network (North East)
- 10:00 - 10:30:** **Keynote Address:** Jeremiah Thoronka
- 10:30 to 11:00:** **Coffee**
- 11:00 – 12:30:** **Panel Discussion: ‘Innovation in African Economies: Grassroots Solutions for Global Challenges’**
- Professor Kate Hampshire, Department of Anthropology, Durham University, Title: ‘Informal health innovations in Ghana, Ethiopia and Malawi’.
 - Professor Justin Willis, Department of History, Durham University: ‘SACCOs: saving, borrowing and future-making in Kenya’
 - Dr Adetokunbo Johnson, School of Geography, Politics and Sociology, Newcastle University: ‘Empowering African Women in the Global Economy: Strategies, successes, and stories’.
- 12:30 - 13:30:** **Buffet Lunch**
- 13:30 - 14:30:** **Development Challenges and Africa-led Solutions**

Dr Steve Chivasa, Department of Biosciences, Durham University:
“Convergence of agritech and business innovations to spur crop value chains”

- Professor Sally Shortall, Centre for Rural Economy, School of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Newcastle University: *title tbc*
- Professor Steve Lindsay, Department of Biosciences, Durham University: ‘Healthy Urban Planning and Infrastructure: How can Sub-Saharan Africa rethink urban development?’
- Dr Declan Murray, Department of Anthropology, Durham University: ‘Holding waste: Studies of repair, re-use and re-manufacture in Kenya and Tanzania’

14:30 - 15:30: **Research Student Panel: ‘The UK Experience and Contributing to the Challenges’**

Chair: Dr Liadi Mudashiru, Deputy Head, International Office, Durham University

15:30 – 16.00: **Coffee**

16:00 – 16:30: **Closing Session: "Pathways Forward: Action Steps for Africa-facing Research in the North-East"** A multidisciplinary discussion on the key takeaways from the summit.

Chair: Dr Laura Routley, School of Geography, Politics and Sociology, Durham University and Co-convenor of the Researching Africa Network (North East)