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# ***Envisioning the future South Africa: A Strategic Conversation with the NPC and Gauteng Launch of the 2011 State of the Future The 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition***

- Date:** 29 September 2011  
**Time:** 14h00 Official Programme  
16h00 Reception  
**Venue:** Institute for Economic Research on Innovation,  
*159 Skinner Street, Pretoria CBD, City of Tshwane, Gauteng.*  
**Speakers:** Kuben Naidoo, Director-General: NPC  
Matlotleng Matlou, Chief Executive: AISA  
Rasigan Maharajh, Chief Director: IERI  
Geci Karuri-Sebina, Chairperson: SAMP Node  
**Agenda:** Welcome and Introductions  
2011 SOF overview  
Keynote Address  
Conversation: NPC and Foresight  
Vote of Thanks  
Reception

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*Invaluable insights (Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General); The best introduction to the major global issues and long-term remedies (Global Foresight Books); A must read for any decision maker (Enrique Peña Nieto, Governor, State of Mexico); Everyone, and I mean EVERYONE, should read this incredible document, period (Technological Forecasting & Social Change); An important "finger on the pulse" essential for decision-making at all levels; global cities cannot afford to ignore this work (Sithole Mbanga, CEO, SA Cities Network).*

Copies of the *2011 State of the Future* will be available at this event and via email request ([info@sampnode.org.za](mailto:info@sampnode.org.za)) or online order ([www.sampnode.org.za](http://www.sampnode.org.za)).

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The *2011 State of the Future* addresses some of these key challenges with inputs from futurists, planners, and scholars around the world, who work for enterprises, governments, universities, NGOs, the UN and other international organisations. This year's Report also features reflections on the future of the Egyptian revolution, 15 Global Challenges, State of the Future Index, scenarios for Latin America, environmental security, and future elements of arts, media, and entertainment.

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