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The Politics of Sustainable Development

The Africa–Europe Cluster of Research Excellence (CoRE) on the Politics of Sustainable Development, co-led by Future Africa at the University of Pretoria and the University of Oslo, cordially invites you to a roundtable discussion on:

Negotiating Sustainable Development: African Perspectives on Global Governance and Just Transitions

Date: Tuesday, 28 April 2026

Time: 09:00 – 13:00 (GMT+2)

Platform: Zoom

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This roundtable discussion will explore how African actors are engaging with, contesting, and reshaping the politics of sustainable development in a period marked by geopolitical fragmentation, institutional inequality, and intensifying climate pressures. Bringing African perspectives to the centre of the discussion, it will examine questions of global governance, climate negotiations and finance, and the growing demand to respond to the needs and aspirations of citizens and their governments.

The discussion will consider issues of energy sovereignty, just transitions, and the trade-offs between development priorities and climate commitments. It will also reflect on the role of non-state actors, the need for policy coherence, multilateral power asymmetries and whose knowledge counts in sustainability debates. In doing so, the roundtable seeks to move beyond narrow crisis framings and highlight more inclusive, politically grounded and strategically realistic pathways for sustainable development.

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