

Launching the Water, Air, and Energy (WAE) Lab

14 March 2024 | 16h30–19h00

Banqueting Hall, Cape Town Civic Centre

Agenda

TIME	REMARKS
16h30–16h45	Registration with tea and coffee Guests are welcome to arrive early for pre-registration starting at 16h00
16h45–18h00	Welcoming remarks Lungelo Mbandazayo (City Manager, City of Cape Town) Event MC: Hugh Cole (Director: Policy and Strategy, City of Cape Town)
	An introduction to the Water, Air, and Energy Lab Kelsey Jack (WAE Lab Scientific Advisor; University of California, Santa Barbara)
	Reflections on the importance of researcher and government collaborations Uzma Sulaiman (Associate Director, Community Jameel)
	Keynote: J-PAL Africa's journey and the power of evidence-informed policymaking Abhijit Banerjee (Nobel Prize laureate; Co-Founder & Co-Director, J-PAL; MIT)
	Panel discussion: Climate, evidence, and urban policy Esther Duflo (Nobel Prize laureate; Co-Founder & Co-Director, J-PAL; MIT) Geordin Hill-Lewis (Executive Mayor, City of Cape Town) Moderated by Kelsey Jack
	Closing remarks Vinayak Bhardwaj (Executive Director, J-PAL Africa)
18h00–19h00	Reception All are invited to network over hors d'oeuvres and refreshments

The WAE Lab is part of J-PAL's Air and Water Labs (AWLs) with Community Jameel. AWLs partner with government agencies to co-generate evidence-based solutions for the most pressing air and water challenges.

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