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### Panel 2

## ISAAH MHLANGA (MODERATOR) Rand Merchant Bank

Isaah Mhlanga is the Chief Economist and Head of Research for Rand Merchant Bank. He leads the RMB Global Markets research team and drives research client strategy in collaboration with sales, trading and the broader teams within RMB.

Prior to this, Isaah was the Executive Chief Economist and exco member of Alexforbes Investments, where he was responsible for macroeconomic strategy and a member of the Asset Allocation and Investment Committees.

He has prior experience as a macroeconomist at Absa Capital, senior economist at the National Treasury, having started his career as an economist at the International Monetary Fund local office in Pretoria.

He is a regular contributor to various media news outlets and publications.

#### GINA SCHOEMAN Citi

Gina is a Managing Director At Citi, and Head of CEEMEA Economics, South Africa Research and the South Africa Economist.

Gina has been at Citi since 2012, having started in London. Prior to this, Gina was the Lead Economist at Barclays Capital / Absa Capital. And before this, Macquarie and Standard Bank. Gina studied at the University of Cape Town and Gibs Business School.

Gina is consistently top-rated in local and global analyst rankings and is passionate about mentoring young professionals and promoting gender equality.

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## MELANIE STOCKIGT Laurium Capital

Melanie joined Laurium Capital in December 2020 as a fixed income portfolio manager heading up the fixed income strategy as well as contributing to the multi-asset portfolio management process.

Melanie was a founding member of Tantalum Capital where for 15 years she was Head of Fixed Interest and the portfolio manager for all fixed income portfolios as well as contributing to the multi-asset portfolio construction process.

From 2002 to 2005 Melanie was at Coronation Fund Managers where she was head of the fixed interest team, managing fixed interest institutional and retail portfolios.

Melanie started her career in 1997 at Standard Corporate & Merchant Bank.

## MOKGATLA MADISHA Sanlam Investments

Mokgatla joined Sanlam Investments in 2016 as Head of Fixed Income for the active management business. He manages the specialist bond mandates. He also manages the fixed income portion of the balanced funds at Sanlam Investments. Along with portfolio management duties, as Head of Fixed Income Mokgatla is responsible for the integrity of the investment process and serves on various credit and investment committees.

Before joining Sanlam Investments Mokgatla was Head of Fixed Income at Argon Asset Management for 5 years, where he managed bond and money market funds. He also gained valuable experience in his roles as a portfolio manager and bond dealer at Ninety One (Investec Asset Management) over a period of seven years. His responsibilities included managing the core bond proposition and co-managing short duration products.

Mokgatla holds B.Com. Financial Analysis and Portfolio Management (Honours) and B.Sc. Eng. (Mechanical) degrees from the University of Cape Town.