



## GTI AXIS SUMMIT – 17 TO 20 JULY 2017 – UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND

The GTI Axis Summit is an annual four day convergence of students, teachers and school leaders from throughout South Africa and around the world. Through a series of concurrent events each tailored to a particular audience (e.g. pre-service teachers) that culminates in the cross-cutting Axis Education Forum, the Summit aims to allow educators at any stage in their career an opportunity to develop, collaborate, across age and professional and work towards a new vision for education with other educational stakeholders.

This year's theme is **Liberating Learning**. Education needs to be more than what happens in the classroom, and teacher development needs to be more than focusing on curriculum and content. We will explore multiple ways learning can be liberated from these contexts to create a generation of adults who can act as global agents of change in our communities, and in society as a whole.

The Summit is organised by the Global Teachers Institute (GTI) in collaboration with a number of partners and sponsors. GTI is a non-profit organisation based in South Africa whose mission is to shift the way children are taught by transforming teacher education both in South Africa and globally.

### SUMMIT TRACKS

#### ASPIRING TEACHERS CONVENTION (17 – 20 JULY)

The Aspiring Teachers Convention gathers young and aspiring teachers to collaborate, share, learn and grow with their peers and master educators from around the world. Through workshops, plenaries, and experiential learning, participants will have the opportunity to reflect deeply on their own teaching practice while developing the necessary skills for transformative 21st century teaching.

#### EDUCATORS IMBIZO (18 – 20 JULY)

This track features a series of interactive workshops for in-service teachers and school leaders with the aim of sharing and integrating effective practices into broader national education policy decisions. Specialised workshops will also be held for school leaders and heads of department in transformative leadership. It aims to give leaders a greater understanding of themselves and their personal and professional motives and how to use oneself as an instrument of leadership in the 21st century.

### SUMMIT EVENTS

#### MANDELA DAY WITH STOP HUNGER NOW (17 JULY)

To honour Madiba's legacy, aspiring teachers will engage in packaging 15 000 meals with local NGO Stop Hunger Now SA for the Wits FoodBank.

#### EDTECH WORKSHOPS (18 JULY – MORNING)

The Summit will also feature the inaugural EdTech Workshop series which will showcase a number of technologies and innovations which are transforming the Education landscape in South Africa.

#### AXIS EDUCATION FORUM (18 JULY - AFTERNOON)

Axis Education Forum is a half-day convergence of students, teachers, school leaders, academics, and citizens invested in educational transformation in South Africa, where attendees engage in dynamic conversations and create new platforms and initiatives to drive education transformation.

Delegates from all tracks together with outside attendees converge to take part in the Forum.



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