



Undercover Farming Conference – Western Cape Programme 11 – 12 October 2017

Wednesday, 11 October 2017

08:00 – 09:55 Registration of Delegates / Opening of Info Tables / Networking

- 09:55 Welcome by **Suzanne Oosthuizen** - MD: Undercover Farming Expo PTY LTD
- 10:00 – 10:45 **Official Opening / Keynote: Department of Agriculture: Western Cape**
“Status Quo of the Department”
- 10:45 – 11:30 **Johan van Deventer - Freshmark**
“Current state of the Fresh Produce Industry – Western Cape”
- 11:30 – 12:00 **Tea**
- 12:00 – 12:45 **Warren Farmer – PPECB**
“Exports of South African perishable products”
- 12:45 – 13:30 **Johan Stronkhorst - Sakata South Africa**
“Temperature and Genetics: The link to successful tomato production”
- 13:30 – 14:30 **LUNCH**
- 14:30 – 15:15 **Deon van Rooyen – Vegtech**
“Climate Control Principals in Greenhouses”
- 15:15 – 16:00 **Ockie van Niekerk - Optima Agrik**
“The recirculation of greenhouse irrigation water and the Fertinnowa Project”
- 16:00 – 16:15 **TEA**
- 16:15 – 17:00 **Roger Jaques – Waste to Food**
“High quality organic media amendments and plant pest & disease control.”
- 17:00 – 17:45 **Dave Pons – Mangosuthu University**
“Drone Spraying Undercover”
- 17.45 – 18.00 **NETWORKING SESSION UP TO EVENT**
- 18:00 – 21:00 **UNDERCOVER FARMING NETWORK COCKTAIL EVENT**
– ALL REGISTERED DELEGATES INVITED!
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Thursday, 12 October 2017

08:00 – 08:55 Info Tables Open – Network Session - Coffee/Tea

- 09:00 – 09:45 **Tom Murray – Woolworths**
“Pesticides: A retailers perspective”
- 09:45 – 10:30 **Gavin Olsen – Rhino Agrivantage**
“Soil Conditioners – guarantee healthy soil”
- 10:30 – 11:15 **Kevin Black - Haygrove Tunnels**
“Water usage in hydroponic crop production under cover”
- 11:15 – 11:45 **TEA**
- 11:45 – 12:30 **Bram Vanthoor – Wageningen University & Research**
– **Bussiness Unit Greenhouse Horticulture**
“Energy efficient growing technologies – Adapting your greenhouse”
- 12:30 – 13:15 **Paddy de Vries – Enza Zaden**
“Variety selections vs. water usage”
- 13:15 – 14:15 **LUNCH**
- 14:15 – 15:00 **Alan & Eugene Simons – Alans’ Veg / Algina Nursery**
“Our fortune changed with seedlings and vegetables!”
- 15:00 – 16:00 **WORKSHOP SESSION – Water & Energy**
“Energy and Water efficient greenhouse adaptions –Let’s all help solve our water and energy problems”
- 16:00 – 17:00 **Tea & Networking Session**