

PROGRAMME

TIME	SECTION	TOPIC	SPEAKER	EDUCATION TRACK
07:45	Introduction	Registration Opens		(Lucy Calcott)
08:45		Welcome		
09:00		Introduction to AI	Graham Budd	
09:40		AI - The present state and Future Possibilities	Graham Budd	
10:20		BREAK		
10:40	AI Impact	How will AI affect my children and their education? (Education 1)	Lucy Calcott	
11:40		How will AI affect my career/business	Johan Klut/Kim Schultz	
12:20		LUNCH		
13:00	Practical Session	AI prompting Bootcamp and Workflow Demo (Education 2)	Lucy Calcott	
14:00		BREAK		
14:20	AI and Tech	AI and Medicine	Graham Budd	(Education 3)

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15:00		AI, Transport and Robotics		(Education 4)
15:40		BREAK		
16:10	Ethics	What are the ethical Implications of AI?	Theo Watson	
16:50		How should we feel about AI pessimism? - a discussion	Theo, Graham, Conor, Lucy	
17:20		Panel: Answering audience questions	Theo, Graham, Conor, Lucy	
17:40	Conclusion	Panel: What should we do/not do next?	Theo, Graham, Conor, Lucy	
17:55	Close	Attendee feedback	Attendees	



EDUCATION TRACK BIOS AND TALK SUMMARIES

BIOS:

LUCY CALCOTT

Lucy Calcott works at the intersection of Artificial Intelligence, strategy, and education. Currently based at Google DeepMind (Google's AI team) in London, she leads strategic forecasting pilots to anticipate how future AI models may impact fields including the education sector.

A Limpopo native and former educator herself, Lucy has run teacher training conferences providing upskilling for 600+ early childhood educators in the Modimolle region. Her previous work includes high-stakes strategy for the Haiti Transitional Presidential Council and development impact analysis in India. At the conference, Lucy will draw on her work aiming to analyze the impacts of AI tools, and her background in teacher development to offer practical, actionable strategies for educators preparing for an AI-enabled world. Lucy's views do not represent the views of Google DeepMind, but are offered in a personal capacity only.

JOHAN KLUT

Johan Klut is an Independent Advisor who specialises in digital transformation strategies. He spent 13 years working for Liberty and 20 years at Microsoft as a digital advisor and architect. Currently, he focuses on specialised consulting, mentoring, and education in digital transformation. Johan teaches at the University of Johannesburg's computer science academy and Henley Business School. From early in his studies, he has been fascinated by the intersection of information technology and business. He possesses extensive experience in knowledge management through IT, knowledge-based systems, and strategies that support digital transformation in businesses. Johan has collaborated with over 20 companies worldwide and has a strong understanding of financial services, particularly in banking and insurance. His latest focus is on the impact of Artificial Intelligence and strategies for AI adoption. Johan is also a nature enthusiast and a proud South African.

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TALKS:

TALK 1: HOW TO EQUIP AND EDUCATE OUR CHILDREN FOR AN AI WORLD

AI is reshaping the world our students will enter, bringing both challenges—like misinformation and workforce uncertainty—and new opportunities for innovation. This session opens discussion on the principles needed to navigate this transition. We will explore how to help students "ride the wave" of this technology without losing critical human skills, some trends for what we can predict about how AI may impact education and the future workforce, and what boundaries parents and educators might set to act as stewards. Join us to think through the frameworks that can help us support students in an AI-empowered future.

TALK 2 : AI PROMPTING BOOTCAMP AND WORKFLOW DEMO

This session offers a practical introduction to what some of the current top use cases and AI tools are, and how to harness them. We will discuss the basics of "prompting" to understand how to get more accurate and useful AI results, while exploring a range of tools available today—from summarization and email integration to workflow agents. Through practical examples, we will demonstrate different strategies for using AI in day-to-day tasks. The session will include practical tips and a discussion session to help you identify and draft specific prompts that could be useful in your own life and work.

TALKS:

TALK 3 : PRACTICAL WORKSHOP: MEETING CHALLENGES AND HARNESSING OPPORTUNITIES OF AI FOR TEACHERS AND EDUCATION LEADERS

Designed for teachers and education leaders, this hands-on session moves from broad concepts to practical strategy. We will collaboratively workshop approaches for three critical areas: teaching the durable skills students need for the future, adapting assessments to manage risks like AI-enabled cheating, and using AI tools to support pedagogy and reduce teacher workload. Rather than prescribing a single solution, this session offers a space to brainstorm strategies, review science-backed methods, and evaluate the practical options available. The goal is to help educators develop a coherent framework for navigating these changes in their own schools and classrooms.

TALK 4 : PRACTICAL WORKSHOP: HARNESSING AI FOR STUDENTS

This hands-on session invites students to move from theory to practice. Building on the themes of the main session, we will explore best practices for using AI tools effectively - viewing them as a supportive "co-pilot" rather than a replacement for your own work. We will discuss some things to be cautious of, including misinformation and over-reliance, and look at how AI changes what you need to pay attention to—shifting the focus from simply finding answers to asking the right questions and verifying results. We will collectively brainstorm strategies for staying in the driver's seat of your own learning in an AI-empowered world.