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**PIPC 2025: Leading experts to debate the future of payments in Johannesburg**

Johannesburg will host the 6th **PASA International Payments Conference (PIPC) 2025**, bringing together more than 780 delegates and 70 local and international speakers to explore the most pressing challenges shaping the future of payments.

Big topics at this year's event include pending changes to the National Payment System recently announced by the South African Reserve Bank.

Other newsworthy topics that will be discussed and debated at PIPC 2025 include:

- The global payments revolution
- Beyond cash: Non-banks and the shift toward digital payments
- FATF greylisting and the drive for digital payments: why moving away from cash matters
- How fintechs are shaping financial inclusion for the next generation
- The evolution of payments in South Africa
- Geo-political shifts and their impact on South Africa's payment systems
- Building a cyber-resilient payments ecosystem in SA

**Thought leaders at PIPC 2025**

PIPC 2025 will feature some of the leading experts in payments and associated financial infrastructures:

- **Ghita Erling, CEO of the Payments Association of South Africa (PASA)**  
Ghita is available to provide expert commentary and interviews on the evolution of digital payments, and the challenges and opportunities of creating a truly inclusive payments ecosystem.
- **Dr Leo Lipis, CEO of Lipis Advisors, Berlin** – a global payments strategist who knows how money really moves behind the scenes and how to make it faster, smarter, and safer.  
**Topics being covered at PIPC 2025:**
  - Faster payments and digital identity: A match made for the future of finance?
  - The global payments revolution: How the world is adapting to a changing landscape
- **Andy White, CEO of the Australian Payments Network (AusPayNet)**, the industry association and self-regulatory body for the Australian payments industry.  
**Topics being covered at PIPC 2025:**
  - The global payments revolution: How the world is adapting to a changing landscape
  - Rewiring Payments: Australia's regulatory overhaul
  - Planning for failure: Risk, recovery, and leadership in payment crises
- **Dr Kimmo Soramäki, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, FNA - London, United Kingdom**  
a recognised thought leader in financial network analytics combatting risk in payment systems.  
**Topic being covered at PIPC 2025:**
  - Safeguarding against the rising threat: Are we closing the gaps in fraud prevention?



- **Wiza Jalakasi, Director of African Expansion, EBANX (EBANX headquartered in Brazil)**  
expanding digital payments across Africa, helping businesses reach new customers and get paid instantly.  
**Topic being covered at PIPC 2025:**
  - Beyond barriers: How fintechs are shaping financial inclusion for the next generation.
- **Dewald Nolte, Co-founder and Chief Strategy Officer, Entersekt - Atlanta, United States**  
**Topic being covered at PIPC 2025:**
  - Breaking borders: Scaling South African startups for global impact

These and other experts will share insights, spark debates, and speculate on what the future of payments really looks like — from real-time transfers to invisible payments in apps, wearables, and everyday life.

### **PASA's role in the future of payments**

PIPC 2025 is organised by the **Payments Association of South Africa (PASA)**, the payment system management body recognised by SARB. PASA ensures the resilience and interoperability of the country's payments system, protecting consumers, setting fair rules, and enabling innovation that benefits the economy.

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