

STUDENT x INDUSTRY CONNECT 2026

DAY 2 HIGHLIGHTS | 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

Your Career. Your Skills. Your Future!

Day Two was all about turning possibilities into opportunities!

Hosted by AFSUG and SAP and SAP Academic Partnerships Africa, we explored the SAP career landscape, what employers are looking for and how **YOU** can find your place in the SAP ecosystem.

Here's what went down! 📌

1. Your SAP Career Could Go Anywhere! 🌐

De Wet Naudé | SAP

The SAP ecosystem is HUGE!

Opportunities extend beyond working directly for SAP. From consulting and technology to business processes, support and innovation, there are plenty of career paths to explore.

Big takeaway: Find what excites you, explore your options and start building your skills!

2. Skills That Get You Noticed! 💡

Industry Skills Panel | Hosted by Amanda Gibbs | AFSUG | Omeshnee Naidoo – Deloitte | Jhani Coetzee | EPI-USE LABS

Employers want more than qualifications!

Curiosity, problem-solving, communication, adaptability, AI literacy and a willingness to learn can help you stand out.

Big takeaway: Your attitude and ability to keep learning are just as important as your technical skills.

3. Real Business. Real Technology. Real Impact!

Bruce Reddy | HEINEKEN Beverages

Technology is not just about systems and software.

It is about solving real business challenges, helping people work smarter and making change happen.

Big takeaway: Understand the business problem, not just the technology behind it!

4. Discover the Power of SAP Partnerships! 🤝

Estelle de Beer | SAP

SAP partners and customers work together to turn technology into business value.

From implementing solutions to supporting organisations, the opportunities are diverse.

Big takeaway: You don't need to know everything. Choose an area that interests you and grow your expertise!

5. Your Network Could Be Your Next Opportunity! 🔗

One message, one connection or one conversation could open a new door.

Our speakers encouraged students to use LinkedIn, ask questions, seek mentorship and explore opportunities such as SAP's Young Professionals Programme.

Big takeaway: Don't wait for opportunities to find you. Put yourself out there!

Your Day Two Action Plan

Ready to make your next move?

- Explore 2–3 SAP career paths that interest you
- Connect with a speaker or SAP professional on LinkedIn
- Identify one technical skill and one soft skill to develop
- Explore SAP's Young Professionals Programme and learning opportunities

The biggest lesson from Day Two?

You don't need to have your entire career figured out today.

Stay curious, build your skills, make connections and take that FIRST step!

Your Future Won't Build Itself. YOU Make It Happen!

CONNECT. LEARN. GROW.