

# GLOBAL ALCOHOL POLICY CONFERENCE OCTOBER

*The Global Alcohol Policy Conference (GAPC2023), "Investing in People before Profits: Building Momentum towards the Framework Convention on Alcohol Control," will be held from 24 - 26 October 2023 in Cape Town, South Africa.*

## PLENARY SPEAKER

Bongiwe Ndondo

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Bongiwe Ndondo is Executive Director and CEO at Hlanganisa Institute for Development Southern Africa. She is a respected figure in the field, serving as the Chairperson of the Southern African Alcohol Policy Alliance (SAAPA) and a dedicated activist against gender-based violence (GBV).

She is a gender activist and thought leader in social justice and has worked with stakeholders at national and regional level, including governments, RECs, and the AU and UN agencies. Her focus on gender equality has led to an understanding of the role of alcohol in gender-based violence and the need for advocacy for effective policy responses to mitigate these risks to development.

With over 20 years of experience in the non-profit sector, Ms Ndondo has dedicated her efforts to alcohol policy, social justice, governance, gender equality, child protection, and sustainable livelihoods. She holds a master's degree in medical Biochemistry.

