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MATLOSANA TRADE AND INVESTMENT CONFERENCE 2017

Development in the North West province highlighted at Matlosana Trade and Infrastructure Investment Conference



Statistics recently released by Statistics South Africa indicates that the North West province is ranked number 7 in terms of the rate of poverty and inequality in the country.

Recognising this, Executive Mayor Maetu Kgaile and the President of the Wesvaal Chamber of Business, Mr Kgotso Mmadi will host the Matlosana Trade and Infrastructure Investment Conference at the Rio Hotel Casino and Convention Resort Klerksdorp, North West from 11 to 13 October 2017.

Stakeholders from government and the private sector will come together to look at bankable projects which when implemented will bring investment, jobs and socio-economic development to the province.

Reflecting upon the importance of the Conference, Mayor Kgaile said, "Inclusive development for all the peoples of our country can no longer remain a slogan. To demonstrate the commitment of the leadership of the province to contribute towards socio-economic development, we have put together a range of bankable projects where we have already conducted feasibility assessments and begun to assemble potential project funders and sponsors. The development of our province requires government and business to come together. We are inviting all interested parties to join us at our inaugural Matlosana Trade and Infrastructure Investment Conference from 11-13 October 2017."

President of the Wesvaal Chamber of Business Mr Kgotso Mmadi said, "Work has been ongoing in putting together a range of projects which will bring investment and job creation into the province. These projects will also give investors good returns on their investments creating win-win solutions for all parties. Some of our priority sectors will include infrastructure and property development, manufacturing and beneficiation in the mining sector. There are also significant opportunities in the green economy which will also contribute to sustainable and healthy communities."

As part of demonstrating the competitive strengths of the province, the Conference will also include an exhibition. Limited space is available for both the Conference and the exhibition. Register at

About the City of Matlosana

The City of Matlosana is located in the North West province of South Africa. It is the largest of all towns in the province.

Key sectors of the economy include mining, agriculture, manufacturing and growing tertiary sectors.

The City offers easy access to the regional markets of Botswana and Namibia and boasts easy and strong linkages to the Country's economic hub of Gauteng.

The North West is a large and significant local economy in the South African economic context.

The area contributes approximately 5.7% to national production with mining, agriculture and manufacturing contributing the largest portion of provincial output. 65% of the province is rural with a low economic base.

Why the Matlosana Trade and Investment Conference 2017

The decline in the primary economic sector in Matlosana, mining, has necessitated the rejuvenation and diversification of the local economy for socio-economic development. A key consideration is to ensure that socio-economic development in Matlosana translates into better living standards for the people of the province at large and the City in particular.

The Matlosana Trade and Investment Conference will be hosted from 11-13 October 2017 which aims to bring together key stakeholders to rejuvenate and diversify the local economy.

To this end, the Matlosana Trade and Infrastructure Investment Conference aims to be a catalytic platform for economic growth and development for the City of Matlosana. The conference and exhibition seeks to attract local and foreign direct investment into priority sectors of the economy. Bringing together a diverse range of policy makers, businesses and investors, the conference will provide a dynamic environment for engagement and dialogue on initiatives and efforts to attract investment into selected sectors of the local economy. The conference will also comprise targeted business-to-business (B2B) meetings and an exhibition platform providing an ideal environment for networking and business transaction.





The City of Matlosana Museum hosted the 2nd annual Matlosana Schools Art Festival to celebrate Heritage Month. The objective of the event was to raise awareness and illustrated the meaningful importance of heritage. The event took place on Friday 22 September at the Auditorium.

The Festival was a performance arts platform for local intermediate schools initiated to facilitate the principles of the National Curriculum Statement and to promote participation rather than competition using living heritage as medium.