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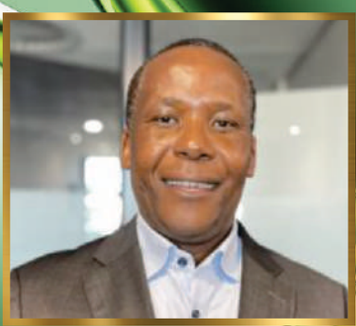
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DAY 1

PROGRAMME

12 AUGUST 2026

BLACK BUSINESS COUNCIL

08:00 – 09:00 | **Registration** | **All**

09:00 – 09:15 | **Welcome Address by**



Mr Elias Monage
The Black Business Council President

09:15 – 09:30 | **Welcome by Host**



Mr Zamani Letjane
Group Chairman of
Akani Group of Companies

09:30 – 11:00 | **Keynote Address by**



Former President of the Republic
of South Africa, H.E Kgalema Motlanthe



Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast
Journalist

Topic: Growing the South African Economy through Economic Empowerment, Re-industrialisation and Localisation in the era of Artificial Intelligence

SPEAKERS



Ms Tsakani Maluleke
Auditor-General of South Africa



Ms Nolitha Fakude
Chair of Anglo American's
South African Management Board



Mr Charles Shilowa
Acting CEO of Airports Company
South Africa (ACSA)



Mr Lincoln Mali
CEO of Lesaka Technologies
Southern Africa



Ms Irene Charnley
Founder & CEO of Smile Communications



Mr Sheldon Tatchell
Founder & CEO of
Legends Barber Corporation

11:00 – 11:15 | **Comfort Break**

11:15 – 13:00 | **Keynote Address by**



Mr Parks Tau
Minister of Trade, Industry & Competition



Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast
Journalist

Topic: The Transformation Fund and other Mechanisms to Address Access to Funding for Black Owned, Women-Owned and Youth-Owned Businesses – Lessons Learned and What Could Be Improved

SPEAKERS



Ms Nina Yose
Acting Divisional Executive
Mining, Metals, Infrastructure & Energy
Industrial Development Council (IDC)



Mr Mziwabantu Dayimani
CEO of the National
Empowerment Fund (NEF)



Mr Tshepo Rapudi
CIO of Automotive Industry
Transformation Fund (AITF)



Dr Sunshine Myende
Executive Chairperson of
National Youth Development Agency (NYDA)



Mr Ndumiso Zulu
CEO of Group Social Investments
at Old Mutual



Ms Vuyiswa Ramokgopa
Gauteng MEC for Economic Development,
Agriculture and Rural Development



Mr Chuene Ramphele
Group Executive Infrastructure
Delivery Division, (DBSA)

13:00 – 13:30

Keynote Address by



Mr Velenkosini Hlabisa
Minister of Cooperative Governance
and Traditional Affairs (CoGTA)

Topic: Making Every Municipality Work, The Impact of a Functioning Government on Business and Service Delivery

13:30 – 14:00 **Lunch Break**

14:00 – 14:30

Special Address by



Ms Mmamoloko Kubayi
Minister of Justice and Constitutional
Development

Topic: Criminality, Political Interference, and Corruption in the Criminal Justice System and The Transformation of the Legal System



Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast
Journalist

14:30 – 16:00

Topic: Local Government and Its Impact on Business – How to Fix Local Government To Enable Service Delivery



Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast
Journalist

SPEAKERS



Mr Tom Mkhwanazi
CEO of Wholesale & Retail SETA (W&RSETA)



Ms Loyiso Lugayeni-Masuku
Executive Deputy Mayor of the City of Johannesburg



Mr Cyril Xaba
Mayor of eThekwini Municipality



Mr Alex Mabunda
CEO of Ntiyiso Consulting



Ms Thuto Masasa
Head of Advisory at BDO South Africa

16:00 – 16:30 **Comfort Break**



16:30 – 17:15

Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast Journalist

Keynote Address by



Ms Stella Ndabeni
Minister of Small Business Development

Topic: Creative Industry Fund and Other Funds aimed to Support MSMEs as per NDP 2030



17:15 – 17:45

Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast Journalist

Special Address by



Mr Dan Marokane
Group Chief Executive of Eskom

Topic: Opportunities for Economic Growth, Localization and Industrialization - Utilizing the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) and the Energy Action Plan to Transform and Re-Industrialize South Africa

17:50 **Closure**



18:00 - until late

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Special Address by



Adv Michelle Phillips
CEO of Transnet Group

Topic: Localisation and Industrialisation as Tools to Create Local Jobs and Transform the SA Economy



DAY 2

PROGRAMME

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BLACK BUSINESS COUNCIL

DAY 2

08:00 – 09:00 | **Registration**



09:00 – 10:30

Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast
Journalist

Topic: Political Corner, Political Economy, How Are We Going to Grow and Transform The Economy

SPEAKERS



Cde Nomvula Mokonyane
1st Deputy Secretary
General of the ANC



Mr Vuyo Zungula
Parliamentary Leader of ATM



Mr Solly Msimanga
Chairperson of the Federal
Council of the DA



Mr Nhlanhla Hadebe
Chief Whip in the National Assembly (IFP)



Mr Songezo Zibi
National Leader of Rise Mzansi



Mr Herman Mashaba
President of Action SA

11:00 – 11:15 | **Comfort Break**

11:15 – 12:30



Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast
Journalist

Topic: The Importance of Skills Development during the Artificial Intelligence era

Keynote Address by

Mr Buti Manamela
Minister of Higher Education
and Training



SPEAKERS



Mr Ralph Mupita
CEO of MTN Group



Dr Felleng Yende
CEO of the Fibre Processing and Manufacturing Sector Education and Training Authority (FP&MSETA)



Ms Maphefo - Anno-Frempong
CEO of Transport Education Training Authority (TETA)



Ms Koko Khumalo
CEO of Motlanalo Chartered Accountants & Auditors Inc



Mr Matimba Mbungela
Chief Human Resources Officer
Vodacom Group



Ms KG Bako
Managing Executive for Talent Management & Transitions at Absa



Ms Vanessa Naicker
Vice President of Social Impact at Anglo American

12:30 – 13:30 | **Lunch Break**



13:30 – 14:30

Moderator

Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast Journalist

Topic: Illicit Economy In the Creative Sector - The Scale of Piracy and its Impact on the Entire South African Audio - Visual Eco-system

SPEAKERS



Hon Khusela Diko (MP)
Chairperson of Communications and Digital Technologies Committee



Mr Willington Ngwepe
CEO of MultiChoice



Mr Mothibi Ramusi
Chairperson of the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA)



Ms Julia Sham
Head of Legal & Regulatory
National Broadcaster Association



Mr Luke Rous
Exco Board Member of Independent Producers Organisation (IPO)

14:30 - Closure



Ms Cathy Mohlahlana
TV & Radio Broadcast Journalist

IMPACTING WHOLESALE AND RETAIL SMMEs THROUGH SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES.

ABOUT THE W&RSETA?

The Wholesale and Retail Sector Education and Training Authority (W&RSETA) is one of 21 Sector Education and Training Authorities established by government to facilitate skills development across the country's key economic sectors. Operating within one of South Africa's largest and dynamic sectors, the W&RSETA serves the Wholesale and Retail Sector, which is predominantly made up of small and medium enterprises. Through strategic skills development initiatives, the W&RSETA is enhancing workforce capabilities, promoting economic growth, and improving employment opportunities across the sector.

W&RSETA PROGRAMMES

The W&RSETA facilitates implementation of the following programmes in collaboration with wholesale and retail companies, training providers, institutions of learning and other strategic partners:

- Learning programmes (learnerships and skills programmes)
- Management and executive development
- Small and micro enterprise support
- Entrepreneurship development
- Rural and co-operatives development
- Bursaries up to PhD level
- Workplace experience
- Career guidance and development

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN SKILLS DEVELOPMENT?

Companies registered with the South African Revenue Service are issued with a Skills Development Levy Number which identifies the SETA they belong to. The levy number entitles a company to participate in the SETA's programmes. Companies are registered with a particular SETA based on the Standard Industrial Classification Codes; a list of industries that belong to a specific agency.

SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES TO GROW

The W&RSETA provides grants to capacitate small businesses with skills to grow their businesses. Small companies that are contributing levies to the W&RSETA receive up to R 9 500 for training programmes of their choice.

CAPACITATING NON-LEVY PAYING COMPANIES TO GROW INTO

Companies registered with the W&RSETA but are below the R500 000 annual salary bill are exempted from paying the skills development levy. These companies must submit a Workplace Skills Plan and Annual Training Report by 30 April annually, to benefit from the W&RSETAs Discretionary Grants for the following programmes:

- Learnerships and skills programmes
- Bursaries for employees
- Internships

RE-AFFIRMING SUSTAINABLE ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Micro, Small And Medium Enterprises (MSME) Infrastructure Programme

The W&RSETA re-affirms entrepreneurship development through infrastructure support to ease trading for MSMEs. Through this initiative, the W&RSETA has partnered with Gauteng Department of Economic Development to construct the following;



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INKANYELI SMME HUBS

Soweto hubs

14 business hubs that will benefit SMMEs from Soweto township, in Johannesburg to assist them to trade safely with no disruption from weather and safety conditions. The R 5 000 000 investment was completed in December 2025 and will officially handed over to the traders in the 2026/27 financial year.

Orange Farm hubs

Another number of 14 hubs will be constructed in Orange Farm, south of Johannesburg during the 2026/27 financial year, for another budget of R 5 000 000.

Informal Traders and Youth Entrepreneurs Programmes

Informal traders and budding youth entrepreneurs are supported to grow and become sustainable businesses. Here are some of the NON-PIVOTAL projects that the W&RSETA has strategically implemented with its partners throughout the years.

TOWNSHIP DIGITAL MARKET ACCESS PROGRAMME

The programme equips entrepr- eneurs with digital skills and supports them to list their businesses on e-commerce platforms enabling them to reach markets beyond their provinces and South Africa's borders.



Kedibone Segole of **Moipone Aesthetic** has her products at Takealot, Amazon and other e-commerce platforms.



ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The W&RSETA is committed to reducing youth unemployment through the Entrepreneurship Development Programme. Young and budding entrepreneurs are supported to grow and start their own businesses through coaching, mentorship and business funding.

INFORMAL TRADERS AND MICRO ENTERPRISES DEVELOPMENT (ITAMED) PROGRAMME

ITAMED capacitates informal traders and micro enterprises with business management skills to run profitable and sustainable businesses and compete foreign-owned retailers in rural and township areas.



Nontobeko Mabaso, a small-scaled farmer and beneficiary of the ITAMED programme is now supplying 2x Spars, Boxer Superstores and Roots butchery with her fresh produce.



SMALL SCALE FARMERS: MARKET ACCESS PROJECT

In a partnership with Boxer Superstores, the W&RSETA supports and equips small-scale farmers to run sustainable farming businesses and unlock access to retail market informal traders.

SHELF-READINESS PROGRAMME

The initiative was strategically implemented to empower entrepreneurs who are in the manufacturing sub-sector with standard procedures of product development, testing and bar-coding to be relevant and ready for the industry.



Nobuhle Tati, owner of 12 Teaspoons is now trading and selling her organic hair products on Takealot and other e-commerce platforms following her completion of the shelf-readiness programme in partnership with the Consumer Goods Council South Africa.

TRUE INCLUSIVITY IS A MORAL IMPERATIVE AND A STRATEGIC NECESSITY

South Africa's journey towards a more inclusive and equitable society requires solid action from a wide variety of public and private organisations. Robust commitment to empowerment through education and skills training lies at the heart of the country's transformation focus that seeks unlock the full potential of historically marginalised communities.

"The empowerment of women, the youth and people with disabilities is not just a moral imperative it is a strategic necessity," asserts Dr Felleng Yende, CEO for the Fibre Processing and Manufacturing Sector Education and Training Authority (FP&M SETA).

"The FP&M SETA is driving a bold agenda to contribute meaningfully to South Africa's economic future," adds Dr Yende "One that is inclusive, equitable and firmly rooted in skills development."



At the heart of this transformation is a deep commitment to advancing sectoral growth, empowering township economies, driving SMME development and addressing inequities in the 13 sub-sectors serviced by the FP&M SETA.

The FP&M SETA actively champions equity imperatives by creating access to leadership development, entrepreneurial training, and employment opportunities tailored for women across the value chain. At the same time, inclusive training programmes and workplace readiness initiatives are designed to integrate people with disabilities, ensuring no one is left behind.

Through its comprehensive programmes and strategic initiatives, FP&M SETA significantly contributes to youth development in South Africa. By focusing on skills development, employment facilitation, rural empowerment, innovation, and entrepreneurship, the SETA addresses critical challenges faced by the country's youth, thereby playing a vital role in South Africa's socio-economic growth.

The empowerment of women and people with disabilities is critically important in South Africa for several social, economic, and constitutional reasons. Women make up over half the population and their full participation in the economy increases household incomes and national GDP. People with disabilities often face exclusion from the workforce, despite having valuable skills and perspectives.

"Women and people with disabilities often play central roles in family and community life and through empowerment they can invest in education and health, lead community initiatives, and very importantly, become role models for others, especially the youth," continues Dr Yende.

Through strategic partnerships with a wide range of sector stakeholders, the FP&M sector is laying the foundation for long-term growth and competitiveness in the Fibre Processing and Manufacturing Sector. By aligning skills training with industry trends, from digital design and sustainable textiles to advanced manufacturing and packaging innovation, the sector is positioning itself as a key contributor to South Africa's reindustrialisation and economic revival.

"True transformation is only possible when all voices are heard and included. The inclusion of women, the youth and people with disabilities across all sectors is not an option, but a key imperative for building a just and sustainable economy," concludes Dr Yende.

FP&M SETA's 13 SUB-SECTORS

- CLOTHING
- FORESTRY
- GENERAL GOODS
- PACKAGING
- PRINT MEDIA
- PULP AND PAPER
- FOOTWEAR
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An Overview of the FP&M SETA and its Sector

- 13 sub-sectors that work together to achieve economic growth and development
- Approximately 29 671 sector employers
- Approximately 540 377 sector employees
- Consistent performance over eleven years ranging from 93% to 100%
- 11 unqualified (of which 8 clean) audit opinions from AGSA
- Sector employment growth despite poor economic performance in manufacturing sector
- The labour-intensive nature of the FP&M sector enables the sector to create jobs at a faster rate than most industries
- Occupational qualifications and learning programmes are developed to meet industry needs and are fit for purpose



Dr. Felleng Yende
CEO of FP&M SETA

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TETA PRIMARY FUNCTIONS

- To develop a sector skills plan (SSP)
- To facilitate the development, registration, and implementation of learnerships, skills programmes and strategic initiatives
- To approve workplace skills plans (WSPs)
- To disburse grants to stakeholders
- To conduct quality assurance on education and training that falls within the sector's scope.

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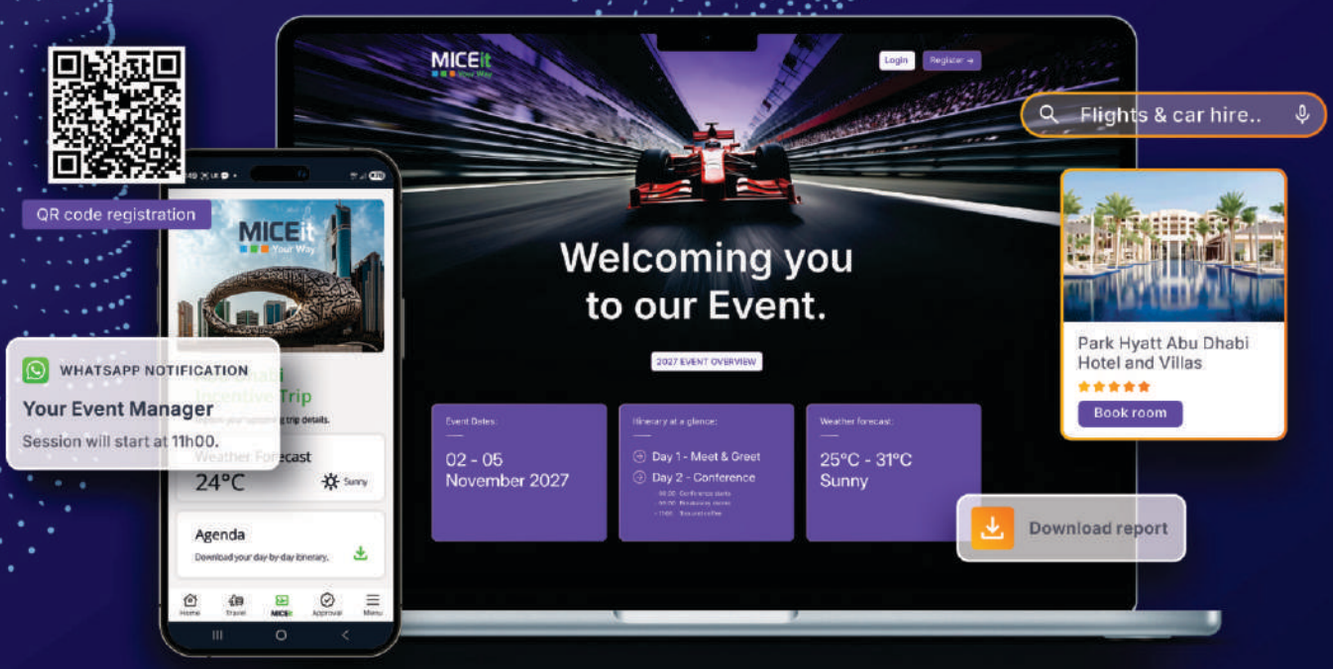
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