

BUSINESS FORUM INVITATION

Netherlands – South Africa

Partnership for Mutually Accelerated Growth & Sustainable Development
Building further on the outcomes of the State Visit & Economic Mission to SA

Driven By: Innovation | Smart Technology | Sustainable Solutions



DATE: Thursday, 28 March 2024
TIME: 13H30 – 18H00 (from 16H30 cocktail reception – networking)
VENUE: MalieToren, Bezuidenhoutseweg 12, Den Haag
FORMAT: Hybrid; Audience in the room (in NL) and Online (in SA)
COST: Free of Charge
RSVP: Via email: mark@businessnl.co.za or ratshibayal@dirco.gov.za. Please indicate if you bring a guest.
PROGRAM: Detailed programme will be provided approx. 1 week prior to the event. Link for Participants in SA will be provided before the event
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The NL-SA Business Forum is organized by South African Embassy in the Netherlands and BusinessNL SANEC, supported by various economic mission organisers such as Netherlands Enterprise Agency (RVO) and Regional Investment Promotion Agencies and Industry Associations – NLinBusiness.

The South African Embassy in the Netherlands and the Chamber BusinessNL-SANEC cordially invite all stakeholders that were involved in the economic mission which formed part of the State Visit by the Royal Couple to South Africa during October 2023, other companies, organisations and entrepreneurs to actively participate in an interactive and informative business forum session aimed at reflecting on and moving forward existing business and exploring new business and economic opportunities for companies based in South Africa and the Netherlands.

The Forum aims at revitalising existing bilateral relationships, providing an economic update and networking opportunities. The majority of the participants in the room will be executives of companies, organisations and entrepreneurs based in the Netherlands, Dutch Government Agencies and Financial institutions as well as executives of South African companies and entrepreneurs based in the Netherlands. We will virtually engage with organisations in South Africa.

On behalf of organizers and presenters, we look much forward to welcome you in The Hague or online on 28th March.

Summary Program:

13H00	Walk in - Registration - Networking	14H15 - 14H45	Remarks by Dutch Enterprise Agency / RVO & Dutch Embassy in Pretoria
13H30	FIRST SESSION	14H45 - 15H05	Current and future projects & overview support services
13H30 - 13H35	Word of welcome by VNO NCW		Investing in Dutch Solutions for Global Challenges; Invest International
13H35 - 13H45	Remarks H.E. Ambassador Vusi Madonsela	15H05 - 15H15	Q&A interactions by audience
	Reflections on the State Visit: Successes and Way forward	15H15 - 15H30	Coffee Break
13H45 - 13H55	Remarks: Ministry of Economic / Foreign Affairs		
13H55 - 14H15	Invest SA / DTIC	15H30	SECOND SESSION: DELIVERING & BUILDING SA-NL NETWORKS
	Ease of Doing Business in SA / Incentives		- Announcement on the new BusinessNL – SANEC Chamber
	Priority Sectors for Europe and the Netherlands		- Best Practices shared by SA-NL companies and organisations
	- Renewable Energy Including Green Hydrogen - Corridors	16H25 - 16H30	- Partnerships, Investments, Collaborations
	- Agri-business & Horticulture	16H30 - 18H00	- Win – Wins for NL and SA for Business Expansion
	- Circular Economy		Closing Remarks
	- Smart Logistics		Networking Reception
	- Any Other Business		Engagements with Dutch and South African Businesses, Government and Knowledge Institutions

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