



Programme

PLENARY SESSION

Moderator: Mr Victor Kgomoeswana

WEDNESDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2023

Day 1 - PLENARY SESSION

NATIONAL ANTHEM

09H00 - 09H15	Conference Welcome Address Polokwane City Executive Mayor: Cllr Makoro John Mpe
09H15 - 09H25	Presentation of the Limpopo Premier Member of Executive Council - Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism: Mr Rodgers Monama
09H25 - 09H45	Keynote Address Limpopo Province Premier: Mr Chupu Stanley Mathabatha
09H45 - 10H20	Limpopo is open for investment!! Messages of Support by: <i>Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates in the Republic of South Africa</i> His Excellency Mahash Saeed Alhamali <i>Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Republic of South Africa</i> H.E Ambassador Chen Xiaodong
10H20 - 10H40	Unpacking the Limpopo Province Investment Risk Profile Head of Department – Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism: Mr Matodzi Rathumbu
10H40 - 11H00	Presentation <i>Agriculture, Agro-processing and Trade Challenges, Opportunities and Lessons Learnt to Accelerate Transformation.</i> Head of Department: Limpopo Department of Agriculture and Rural Development: Ms Jaqueline Maisela
11H00 - 11H15	TEA BREAK

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PANEL 1
AGRICULTURE & AGRO-PROCESSING

Facilitator: Dr Tshilidzi Madzivhandila

Chief Executive Officer and Head of Mission - The Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources and Policy Analysis Network (FANRPAN)

Panel Discussions:

11H15 - 12H15

- What do farmers Bring to the Table (i.e., 'Farm to Fork' Investment Needs/Opportunities)?
- Is the agriculture, agro-processing and marketing policy environment conducive to impactful investment?
- What are the opportunities presented by Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (AcFTA) and other related trade agreements.

Panellists:

Chief Executive Officer - South African Agri Enterprises:
Mr Pieter de Jager
Special Advisor to the Minister - Department of Land Reform and Rural Development: **Dr Sifiso Ntombela**
Director - Africa Bilateral Economic Relations (Department of Trade, Industry and Competition): **Mr Calvin Phume**
Head of Department - Limpopo Department of Agriculture and Rural Development: **Ms Jaqueline Maisela**

Presentation

12H15 - 12H35

Connecting South Africa to Africa: Limpopo the Gateway to Africa

Chief Executive Officer, Cross Border Road Traffic Agency: **Mr Lwazi Mboyi**

PANEL 2
INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

Facilitator: Ms Noeleen Greyling

Head of Department, Impact Catalyst

Panel Discussions:

12H35 - 13H35

- Infrastructure investment is key to industrialisation
- Why special economic zones are strategic infrastructure investment?
- Polokwane International Airport 's contribution to logistics
- Private investment opportunity in infrastructure

Panellists:

Chief Executive Officer - Musina Makhado Special Economic Zone: **Mr Lehlogonolo Masoga**
Interim Chief Executive Officer - Fetakgomo-Tubatse Industrial Park: **Mr Solly Kgotong**
Chief Executive Officer - Cross Border Road Traffic Agency: **Mr Lwazi Mboyi**
Acting Chief Executive Officer - Gateway Airport Authority Limited (GAAL): **Ms Mokgadi Matli**

13H35 - 14H35

LUNCH

Presentation

14H35 - 14H55

Opportunities in Automotive Component Manufacturing Sector

Chief Executive Officer - National Association of Automotive Component and Allied Manufacturers (NAACAM): **Mr Renai Moothlal**

PANEL 3
AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

Facilitator:

Senior Manager - West Rand Special Economic Zone

Panel Discussions:

14H55 - 15H55

- The automotive component manufacturing sector
- The Limpopo province's space in hosting Automotive Components and Allied manufacturing
- Limpopo's geographic advantage in Automotive Components and Allied Manufacturers
- Lessons from other established automotive industry development centres

Panellists:

Limpopo Premier's advisor on Economic Development, Communication and Stakeholder Relations: **Dr Alex Mashilo**
Chief Policy Officer - The National Association of Automobile Manufacturers South Africa: **Mr Tshetlhe Litheko**
Chief Executive Officer - National Association of Automotive Component and Allied Manufacturers (NAACAM): **Mr Renai Moothlal**
Chief Executive Officer - Automotive Industry Development Centre (AIDC): **Mr Andile Africa**

15H55 - 16H15

Day 1 Closing Remarks: Mr Victor Kgomoeswana

18h00 - 22H00

NETWORKING DINNER

THURSDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2023

08H50-09H00 Session Opening: **Mr Victor Kgomoeswana**

Presentation

09H00 – 09H20 *The Limpopo 's mineral wealth: The untapped mineral resources and Limpopo 's future*
Chief Executive Officer – Council for Geoscience South Africa: **Mr Mosa Mabuza**

PANEL 4

MINING EXPLORATION & BENEFICIATION

Panel Facilitator: Mr Mzila Mthenjane

Chief Executive Officer: Minerals Council of South Africa

Panel discussions:

09H20 – 10H20

- Unlocking the mineral beneficiation in Limpopo
- Value of manufacturing at the source of raw materials
- Policy support for local beneficiation
- Can Limpopo sustain long-term beneficiation?

Panellists:

Chief Executive Officer - Council of Geosciences - Exploration: **Mr Mosa Mabuza**
Chief Scientist, Advanced Materials & Beneficiation - MINTEK: **Dr Maje Phasha**
Acting Chief Executive Officer - State Diamond Trader: **Mr Kagiso Menoe**

Presentation

10H20 – 10H40 *Integration of Renewable Energy Sources in South Africa's Energy mix" – Hydrogen Energy*
Head: Independent Power Producers Office (IPPO) - Renewable Energy projects in Limpopo: **Mr Thomas Roos**

10H40 – 10H55 **TEA BREAK**

PANEL 5

GREEN ENERGY

Panel Facilitator: Acting Chief Director, Department of Science and Innovation: Dr Cosmas Chiteme

Panel discussions:

10H55 – 11H55

- Green energy opportunities in Limpopo
- Impact of green energy on the environment and bottom line
- Government's green energy support
- The future of green energy
- Battery and electric vehicle manufacturing in Limpopo

Panellists:

Hydrogen Specialist: CSIR: **Mr. Thomas Roos**
Energy Vice President, Sasol: **Dr Priscilla Mabelane**
Head of the Energy Secretariat, SANEDI-Bioenergy projects: **Professor Sampson Mamphweli**
Anglo-American: **Mr Stan Pillay**

Presentation

Leveraging the Africa Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) to grow the Limpopo Tourism Investment
Senior Expert-Trade in Services, AfCFTA Secretariat: **Mr Desire Loumo**

11H55 – 12H15 *Unpacking Tourism Infrastructure Opportunities for South Africa*
Director-Tourism Investment Coordination: **Dr Kenneth Hlela**

Limpopo's Value Proposition as an Investment Destination
CEO Limpopo Tourism Agency: **Mr Moses Ngobeni**

PANEL 6
TOURISM

**Panel Facilitator: Chief Executive Officer, Millvest & PEGAC Member: TWG on Agriculture and Tourism Development:
Mr Miller Matola**

Panel Discussions:

- Connectivity issues and investments being made by the province to improve airlift and connectivity
- Limpopo's positioning as a gateway into Africa and how it can leverage the AfCFTA protocols on trade and services to drive intra- Africa trade and investment
- Tourism investment and support required from the government by the private sector, including investment attractiveness of the province for the hospitality sector
- Tourism investment opportunities in Limpopo Province and ways in which infrastructure funding can/is being used to support the development of tourism assets
- Limpopo value proposition and investment support measures, incentives, and other enablers that the province is putting in place to attract and support tourism investment

12H15 – 13H15

Panellists:

Chief Operating Officer - Eastgate Airport:

Ms. Esmaralda Barnes

Senior Expert, Trade in Services, AfCFTA Secretariat:

Mr Desire Loumou

Group Chief Executive Officer - Afrirent Holdings and Indalo Hotels & Leisure: **Mr Senzo Tsabedze**

Director - Tourism Investment Coordination:

Mr Kenneth Hlela

Chief Executive Officer - Limpopo Tourism Agency(LTA) :

Mr Moses Ngobeni

13H15 - 13H30

Investment Pledges: Group Chief Executive Officer - Limpopo Economic Development Agency (LEDA):

Mr Thakhani Makhuvha

13H30 - 13H50

Conference Closing Remarks by: Premier of Limpopo - **Mr Chupu Stanley Mathabatha**



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