

The Manufacturing Indaba: Growing South African manufacturing

EKURHULENI - Going into its fourth year, the annual **Manufacturing Indaba** is fast approaching and, with the country heavily focussed on growth solutions and the impact future trends will have on the manufacturing sector in South Africa, participants eagerly plan for two remarkable days, hosted at Emperors Palace from the 27 to 28 June 2017.

The City of Ekurhuleni, being a prime location for the event, remains an important manufacturing centre in South Africa. The Indaba attracts key industry leaders, policy makers, academia and potential leaders and brings them together, providing a platform to explore strategies that are tantamount to building South Africa's manufacturing future for 2017.

A key focus area will be growth and the planned keynote addresses and panel discussions will focus on the future of manufacturing in South Africa, mainly centred around the role of manufacturing, how to build a stronger manufacturing sector and the growth sectors for the future. The informative and interactive sessions allow the exploration of strategies for growth and competitive advantage, including the productivity debate and efficient cost reducing strategies that aid growth.

The Indaba provides a platform for Government and the relevant stakeholders to interact, giving them the opportunity to achieve clarity regarding incentives available to local companies, and, just as fundamental, ensure foreign investment through government incentives on offer, assisting the establishment of global companies in the South African manufacturing sector.

In order for South Africa to compete internationally, technology and its effect on the manufacturing industry across the world and in South Africa will be a pertinent topic. Key participants will focus on new potential growth, showcasing manufacturing opportunities for financial assistance and access to finance for the industrial players.

It is without a doubt the leading annual manufacturing event and the networking and knowledge gained, will far outweigh any other intervention.

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About the Manufacturing Indaba

The 4th annual Manufacturing Indaba will be hosted at Emperors Palace in the City of Ekurhuleni from the 27 – 28 June 2017. The event will comprise a two-day conference and exhibition. The event is hosted in partnership with the Department of Trade & Industry, the Department of Science & Technology, the Department of Public Enterprises, the Manufacturing Circle, the City of Ekurhuleni as the Host City and the NCPC-SA.

The aim of the Manufacturing Indaba is to focus on and boost the growth potential of key industry sectors within manufacturing, namely: automotive, construction, metals, forestry, paper & packaging, chemicals, aerospace & defence, industry products and services, and to provide a platform for informative and interactive sessions with the prime movers of the nation's manufacturing sectors.

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