

## The Manufacturing Indaba 2022 addresses the need for business to swiftly adapt and remain competitive in a post pandemic era

**Join the in-person Manufacturing Conversation:** Reigniting economic growth through manufacturing

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Johannesburg, 19 May 2022** – The Manufacturing Indaba Conference will discuss key issues critical to supporting the development of manufacturers. The conversation will take place at the upcoming Manufacturing Indaba taking place from the 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 at the Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa . The conference aims to focus on the financing and economic recovery of businesses in the manufacturing industry in a post pandemic era. The event will provide information to support, revitalise and aid manufacturing growth and recovery.

Key issues to be discussed include:

- Securing consensus to build an inclusive and sustainable domestic economy
- AfCFTA - The Game Changer: Unlocking opportunities for regional value chain integration under AfCFTA
- Operation Vulindlela: Driving Structural Reforms to support Growth and Employment
- Financing the economic recovery: Critical constraints and opportunities for public and private sector financing of the industrial economy
- Leadership Innovation: How to reinvent your business model in a post pandemic economy – Manufacturing CEO's experiences from the field
- Mining & Industrialisation: The mining and manufacturing interface – developing a shared perspective for industrialisation across the value chain
- Transport and Logistics: SA's changing commuter transport, freight and logistics landscape – meeting the challenges of a competitive domestic network sector
- Africa's automotive industry: The domestic and African Automotives sector – progress, threats and opportunities – a model for African regional industrial integration
- Growing IDZs and SEZs: The role of Industrial Development Zones (IDZ' and SEZ's) in SA's post pandemic economic recovery
- Leveraging the energy mix for manufacturing: Exploring the prospects and opportunities of SA's future energy mix
- Skills & Manufacturing Sector: The skills deficit and mismatch in the domestic manufacturing sector

- Digital Innovation for manufacturing: Digital technology application and innovation in SA's industrial sectors – how critical is digitalisation for building globally competitive manufacturing companies and sectors?
- Localisation: The business/government model for collaboration and high impact in the manufacturing sector

The event is being hosted to empower members of Sub-Saharan Africa's promising manufacturing community to identify global trends; remain competitive on a global front; restructure supply chain and fortify local supply network; cultivate a skilled workforce and acquire insight into what incentives are available to better empower their businesses. These discussions will pave the way for a more equitable, competitive and successful manufacturing industry and economy as a whole.

The Conference programme offers a stage for dynamic discussion and debate on the shifting complexity of the manufacturing landscape which deems acquiring constant access to emergent markets essential.

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### **About the Manufacturing Indaba**

**Manufacturing** activities boost the value generated in an economy by creating activity further along value chains, from raw materials to finished products. African governments have recognised that a resilient manufacturing sector paves the way for a nation to provide a quality standard of living for its citizens.

Supporting the growth of manufacturing in Africa, the 9<sup>th</sup> edition of the Manufacturing Indaba will be hosted from the **21 – 22 June 2022** at the Sandton Convention Centre.

**The Manufacturing Indaba is the business meeting of choice for manufacturers!**

<https://manufacturingindaba.co.za/register-conference-jhb/>

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