

2015 SOUTH AFRICA SMME CONFERENCE

4 June 2015

Lord Charles Hotel, Somerset West, Cape Town

Conference Programme

08h00 – 09h00	Registration
09h00 – 09h10	Welcoming : Prof Nicholas Biekpe, President Africagrowth Institute
09h10 – 09h30	Opening Address : Hon Elizabeth Thabethe – Deputy Minister : Small Business Development
09h30 – 09h50	Keynote Address : Ms Vani Moodley - Chief Executive : Vani Moodley & Associates
09h50 – 10h10	Topic : <i>“The Significance of SMMEs in promoting prosperity in the second economy of South Africa”</i> Questions
10h15 – 11h15	Topic: <i>Managing and Sustaining SMMEs</i> Moderator : Mr Siphosiso Zikode – Acting CEO : Seda Panellists Mr Reggie Naidoo – Executive Chairman : AGE GROUP Mr Chris Louw - Regional Monitor Western Cape : Nefcorp Mr Xolani Qubeka - CEO : Small Business Development Institute
11h15 – 11h30	Coffee/Tea
11h30 – 12h30	Topic: <i>Access to Finance</i> Moderator : Mr Thakhani Makhuvha – CEO : sefa Panellists : Ms Yvonne Zwane – CEO : Ithala Mr Hilton Vos – Area Manager : Nedbank Business Banking Mr Anton Roelofse – Regional Manager : Business Partners Mr Bernie Berkowitz – Regional Manager : ABSA
12h30 – 13h30	Topic: <i>Access to Markets</i> Moderator : Dr Nathalie Chinje - Founder and CEO: Upbeat Marketing Pty Ltd. Panellists : Mr Ken Walker- Enablement Manager: Old Mutual Corporate Mr Khathu Ramukumba – CEO : NYDA Mr Corne Botha – Head of Marketing : Raizcorp
13h30 – 14h30	Lunch
14h30 – 15h30	Topic: <i>Role of Information Technology on SMME growth</i> Moderator : Councillor Garreth Bloor : City of Cape Town Panellists : Dr David Hislop, Managing Director Korwe Software Mr Adrian Dubru - Senior Manager : MTN Mr Christopher Botha – Financial Manager : Quickbooks
15h30 – 15h45	Closing: Prof Nicholas Biekpe