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Mpumalanga Export awareness workshops



The Department of Trade and Industry (the dti) in collaboration with the Mpumalanga Economic Growth Agency (MEGA) will be hosting their annual Export Awareness Workshops for Mpumalanga Province from 12th to the 15th September 2017. The purpose of the workshop is to inform the provincial business community about the current trends in the export value chain and will cover important topics relating to exporter development and foreign trade in general. All current exporters and export-ready companies are encouraged to attend.

The export awareness workshops are scheduled as follows:

Bushbuckridge: Tuesday 12th September at the Thulamahashe Municipality Offices—Civic Centre

Mbombela: Wednesday 13th September at the Mercure Hotel, Nelspruit

(Read more on www.klcbt.co.za—The home page, under business events)

IDC opens doors to businesses to access funding

During our recent networking breakfast the IDC addressed businesses about funding options and qualification requirements. The IDC funds both start-up and existing businesses with a minimum funding requirement of R1 million and a maximum of R1 billion.

Funding can be structured utilizing a wide array of funding instruments and in the most appropriate manner to meet the business needs.

Funding terms can be short-, medium- and long-term, payment holidays can be negotiated where applicable, in addition several special schemes are available including the Gro-e-Scheme that funds businesses with a high job creation potential at an interest rate of prime less 3%. The UIF Fund provides funding at a fixed interest rate of 6%. Transformation and entrepreneurial development aims to assist entrepreneurs from marginalized groups to access the formal economy and finally there are various sector-specific schemes (i.e. horticulture, forestry, clothing and textiles)

(Please visit www.idc.co.za for further information)



KLCBT invites entries for the new “Webbie” Award

KLCBT will present this brand new award for the first time at our Annual Awards ceremony at 13 October 2017.

If you have a business that has a great web presence, have an informative, user-friendly website, is active on social media and is generally very conscious of your online profile—you should enter to compete in this category...

The term “Webbie” is a web fundi (like foodie is a food fundi).

This award will be given to a business who set an example of how to market themselves optimally on the web and social media in general.

Remember, videos of all three finalists will be shown at the night of the awards. Today, is the last day the entries for the awards are open.

(Visit www.klcbt.co.za—The Home Page for info and entry form)



Make sure to visit the new Mpumalanga Show!



The Mpumalanga Show will be held from Thursday 31st August to Sunday 3rd September 2017. It will be a true celebration of Spring and a showcase for the diverse agriculture, forestry, tourism, and wildlife offerings in the province, while also serving as a hub for innovation, collaboration and the exchanging of ideas.

The extensive Show Grounds will have stalls, exhibitions, workshops, active demonstrations and livestock competitions. There will also be fun and excitement for the whole family with unique play activities for children, upmarket food court, farmers fresh produce market, beer tent, arts and craft stalls as well as an entertainment area with a packed programme.

(Visit www.klcbt.co.za—The Home Page to see the programme)