



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date: Tuesday, 30 August 2022

Attention: Journalists, News Editors and Executive Producers

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MPUMALANGA TO HOST THE PROVINCIAL TOURISM LEKGOTLA

Mbombela – Mpumalanga Province, under the Department of Economic Development and Tourism, will host the Provincial Tourism Lekgotla this week. The two (2) day Lekgotla, under the theme: *“Rethinking Tourism for Jobs and Inclusive Economic Growth”*, will be opened by the MEC for Finance, Economic Development and Tourism, Mr. Prince Vusumuzi Mkhathshwa.

The objectives of the Lekgotla are, amongst others:

- To discuss matters that will shape the future of tourism in the Province;
- To provide comprehensive understanding of the new tourism opportunities and challenges;
- To design a provincial road map and bolster collaborative partnerships and private sector for inclusive economic and social development via tourism.

A number of other MECs are also expected to attend the event, and participants at the Lekgotla will also include other provincial departments, municipalities, the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency, SANParks, South African Tourism, Tourism Business Council of South Africa, Regional Tourism Organisations, and institutions of higher learning.

Details of the event are as follows:

Date: 31 August – 01 September 2022

Venue: *The Nutting House Lodge* | Burnside Road | Mbombela

Time: 08:00

All Media is Invited

Members of the media are also advised and invited to a Media Briefing that will take place after the conclusion of the Lekgotla on 01 September 2022 at around 14:30.

For attendance confirmations, please contact the MEC's Media Liaison Officer, **Ms. Xolile Nkabinde** on mobile 071 222 7096 or e-mail: xolilenkabinde2@gmail.com.

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