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MPUMALANGA PROVINCE TO HOST THE PROVINCIAL G20 EDUCATION INDABA

Under the #G20 South Africa Presidency, the Department of Basic Education, in collaboration with the Department of Higher Education and Training, is proud to host the inaugural Provincial G20 Education Indaba on Thursday, 24 April 2025, at the Anew Hotel, White River(Former Ingwenyama Lodge) starting at 09H00.

This landmark summit marks the beginning of a series of provincial engagements aimed at fostering dialogue, collaboration, and innovation within the education sector.

The Indaba will convene key education stakeholders from across Mpumalanga and beyond to engage in meaningful discussions around the G20 agenda as it relates to education.

As part of the G20 Education Working Group (EDWG), the Indaba will explore critical themes including:

The pivotal role of Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) in strengthening foundational learning;

The development and implementation of innovative, sustainable parenting support programmes;

Cutting-edge insights and best practices for integrating 21st-century skills into teacher education; and

Empowering educators through continuous professional development and upskilling initiatives.

This gathering will be officiated by esteemed leaders including the Honourable Premier Mr Mandla Ndlovu, Deputy Minister of Basic Education Dr Reginah Mhaule, and Mpumalanga MEC for Education Ms Cathy Dlamini.

The summit has equally line- up

exceptional presenters who bring deep expertise and global perspective to the conversation and they includes:

Ms Hana Yoshimoto, Chief of Education, UNICEF;







Ms Sesi Nombulelo Nxesi, CEO, ETDP-SETA;

Ms Charlotte Mokoena, Executive Vice President: Human Resources and Corporate Affairs, SASOL;

Prof Veronica McKay, Distinguished Professor in Teacher Education and Renowned Researcher and

Prof Victor Pitsoe, Expert in Educational Leadership and Management.

This Provincial G20 Education Indaba represents a bold step forward in shaping a transformative, inclusive, and future-ready education system.

Together, we are building bridges of knowledge and opportunity that will empower generations to come.

Members of the media are invited to the EDWG Mpumalanga Provincial Meeting as follows:

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