

PROGRAMME

28 & 29 NOVEMBER 2022

CSIR . PRETORIA

EXPORT FORUM

MANUFACTURING OUR FUTURE

DAY 1: Monday 28 November 2022

08h30-09h00 **INTRODUCTION**
Opening & Keynote Address

09h00-10h00 **BRIEFING SESSION**
#1 The state of South African trade

- > Who do we trade with?
- > What do we trade?
- > Who trades?
- > Who do they employ?
- > How do exporters contribute to economic growth and industrialisation?

10h00-11h00 **BRIEFING SESSION**
#2 Evolving trade partnerships

- > Shifting geopolitics
- > Regional strengthening – SACU, SADC
- > African opportunities – AfCFTA
- > Expanding markets in Europe, America and Asia

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11h30-13h00 **OPENING PANEL**
What do we want to achieve?

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14h00-16h00 **WORKSHOP**
#1 How can we competitively export?

- > Trade facilitation
- > Logistics
- > Trade finance
- > Incentives
- > Export promotion activities

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14h00-17h30 **NETWORKING SESSION**

DAY 2: Tuesday 29 November 2022

07h30-08h45 **VIP BREAKFAST**
Closed session

09h00-11h00 **WORKSHOP**
#2 What is the future of exports

- > Climate change / green economy (opportunities and constraints)
- > Supply chain shifts
- > Digital trade
- > Technology shifts

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11h30-13h00 **WORKSHOP**
#3 How do we work between business and government to effectively negotiate and implement policy?

- > Updating trade policy framework
- > Engaging stakeholders
- > Sharing information
- > Negotiating trade agreements

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14h00-16h00 **CLOSING PANEL**
What do we do next?