

3 May 2019 (Friday)

17 :00 – 18 :00 Registration

- Entertainment (cultural dance, music)

18:00-18:45

I. Opening Remarks

from IOM Regional Director - Congratulate Lesotho on her
with diaspora and opportunities

- Welcoming remarks from High Commissioner *H.E. Mr. Ralechate Linclon Mokose*
 - Introduction and programme of the 2 day Diaspora Outreach Forum (MC: PS Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Relations *Ms. Mamonyane Bohloko*)
National Labour Migration Policy, to improve social protection, uphold migrant labour Rights, address occupational health and other issues - Importance of labour migrants' contribution to Lesotho in the form of skills transfer - *Maximum 3 questions from diaspora members and answer*
- turn the scenario - "Brain drain to Brain gain" (Light food served with Cocktail / drink)

II. Speech from Key Ministries and Institutes 18:45-19:15

- **Opening Remarks from Hon. Minister of Ministry of Home Affairs** - Eighth Amendment to the (Dual citizenship, restoration of rights of the diaspora); facilitation of movement of people; and Lesotho Special Permit (LSP) - *Maximum 3 questions from members and answer*
- **Remarks from Hon. Minister of Labour and Employment** - Various efforts to improve situation of migrants from Lesotho, including

- **Remarks from Chief Executive Officer of Lesotho National Development Corporation** - Invited diaspora members to explore investment opportunities in Lesotho and importance of diaspora investors to develop Industry, tourism, agriculture and other emerging sectors - *Maximum 3 questions from diaspora members and answer 20:00-20:15*
- **Remarks from Central Bank Governor** - Financial sector product and services in Lesotho; remittance and diaspora bond - *Maximum 3 questions from diaspora members and answer 20:15-20:45*
- **Key Note Address: Remarks from Hon. Minister of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Relations** - Importance of diaspora towards NSDP II realization and Government's willingness to

DIASPORA OUTREACH FORUM IN MIDRAND, GAUTENG

Ghallager Convention Centre, Lotus Suites

4 May 2019 (Saturday)

Preparation for the Desks /

09 :00-10 :30

I. Visiting Desks – finger lunch; music entertainment

- Desk 1: LNDC; Desk 2: LTDC; Desk 3: MoHA / MoFAIR / MoLE; Desk 4: NUL (MoET) Desk 5: MoH ; Desk 6: PMO; Desk 8: IOM; Desk 9: CB/MoF

10 :30-13:00

II. Welcome Remarks

- Welcoming remark (MoFAIR, Principal Secretary), registration of diaspora members who will be a member of Diaspora Association **III. Presentations**

- Lesotho National Development Plan Phase II (2019-2023) (MoDP, Principal Secretary) - *Maximum 3 questions from diaspora members and answer*

- Investment Climate and Emerging Opportunities in Lesotho (LNDC, Representative) - *Maximum 3 questions from diaspora members and answer*

- Introduction of New Financial product/services (Central Bank, Representative) - *Maximum 3 questions from diaspora members and answer*

- Open discussion with Diaspora

13 :00-13 :30

IV. Closing Remarks / Way-forward

- Closing remark (MoFAIR, PS Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Relations)

13 :30-17 :00

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have an open and regular dialogue with diaspora, establishment of Diaspora Directorate, formulation of diaspora policy and diaspora policy development - National Reform Process and importance of all Basotho including Diaspora - *Maximum 3 questions from diaspora members and answer 20:45-21:00*

- **Closing Remarks from Hon. Minister of Prime Minister's Office** - Government commitment to closely engage with diaspora in order to understand its

challenges and find solutions in consultation with other stakeholders (RSA

Government, Employees, Trade Union etc) **21 :00 Closing of Day 1**