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TOURISM BUDDIES' GRADUATION – WELKOM (FREE- STATE)

31 MAY 2017

The Department of Tourism in collaboration with the Department of Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs through its Social Responsibility Implementation (SRI) Programme, will host graduation ceremony to honour students from the Free-State who participated in the Tourism Buddies Training programme.

Deputy Minister, Elizabeth Thabethe and MEC Dr Benny Malakoane will officiate the ceremony where eighty (80) students will receive their CATHSSETA accredited National Certificate in Accommodation Services NQF Level 2, and National Certificate in Food and Beverages NQF level 4.

In the 2014/2015 financial year, the Department of Tourism approved the training of learners. The learners enrolled in a 12-month learner ship programme composed of 30% theory and 70% practical training, during which they were placed at various hospitality establishments within the province for workplace training.

The Graduation Ceremony will be preceded by a stakeholder engagement, and followed by an Imbizo where the Deputy Minister and officials from the provincial tourism office will engage with the community on tourism issues.

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA ARE INVITED AS FOLLOWS:

Date: 6 June 2017
Time: 09:00 – 10:00
Venue: Ferdi Meyer Hall, Cnr Tulbagh Street and Stateway, Welkom (Free - State)

GRADUATION CEREMONY & IMBIZO:

Date: 6 June 2017
Time: 10:30 – 13:00
Venue: Thabong Indoor Sport Centre – Welkom (Free - State)

Kindly confirm your attendance by no later than 02 June 2017 to:

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