

SECOND BRICS EMPLOYMENT WORKING GROUP (EWG) MEETING

St. Andrews Hotel, Port Alfred, SOUTH AFRICA



THEME: ENSURING DECENT WORK, DIGNITY AND RESPECT FOR ALL

9 – 12 MAY 2023

PROGRAMME

Day I: Tuesday, 9 May 2023

**SETTING SCENE
SESSION ONE
09:00 – 09:15**

Presentation of priorities and expected outcome by Host Country

Mr. Siphon Ndebele
Acting DDG: Labour Policy & Industrial Relations
Health and Safety measures

Hotel representative

Remarks by the Chair of the BRICS Employment Working Group (5mins)

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SESSION TWO
(Social Protection)**

09:15 – 09:45

Mr. Mbulelo Sogoni
Director-General: Eastern Cape Province
Background on Universal Social Protection and Basic Income Grant

Prof. Alex van den Heever
Chair Social Security Systems Administration and Management Studies (WITS)

09:45 – 10:00

ILO PRESENTATION: PRIORITY 3

10:00 – 10:45

Claire Harasty
Special Adviser, ILO
Panel discussion I
Panellists will be drawn from academia, experts, ILO host country office and entities of the Host Government.

Facilitator: Ms. Nomfundo Douw-Jack
Chief Director Provincial Operations: Eastern Cape

10:45 – 11:00

Tea break



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11:00 – 11:40

Priority 3 Discussions

BRICS Member Countries (7 mins each)

- Federative Republic of Brazil
- People's Republic of China
- Republic of India
- Russian Federation
- Republic of South Africa

Guest Country: Malawi (5 mins)

11:40 – 12:10

Rapid Evaluation on Social Grants in South Africa

Eastern Cape Socio-Economic Consultative Council

12:10-12:15

Promotional Item

12:15 – 12:40

Employee rehabilitation in South Africa – A Case Study

Ms. Nthabiseng Magonono

Director: Vocational Rehabilitation, Compensation Fund

12:40 – 13:00

Visit to Flower Exhibition

13:00 – 14:00

LUNCH TIME

**BRICS EWG
SESSION THREE
(Skills for Informal
Economy)**

Remarks by the Chair of the BRICS Employment Working Group

Ms. Marsha Bronkhorst

Chief Operations Officer

14:00 – 14:20

ILO PRESENTATION: PRIORITY 4

Claire Harasty

14:20 – 15:00

Panel discussion II

Panellists will be drawn from academia, experts, ILO host country office and entities of the Host Government.

Facilitator: Ms Jahni de Villiers

Director: Labour Amplified

15:00 – 15:30

Tea break



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15:30 – 16:20

Priority 4 Discussions

BRICS Member Countries (7 mins each)

- Federative Republic of Brazil
- People's Republic of China
- Republic of India
- Russian Federation
- Republic of South Africa

Guest Country: Namibia (5 mins)

18:00

INFORMAL WELCOME COCKTAIL DRINKS

Day II: Wednesday, 10 May 2023

BRICS PRODUCTIVITY ECOSYSTEM SESSION FOUR

Remarks by the Chair of the BRICS Employment Working Group

Mr. Thobile Lamati

Director General: Department of Employment and Labour

09:00 – 09:20

Strategic importance and expected outcome by Host Country

Mr. Siyabonga Hadebe

Labour Attaché, South African Mission, Geneva

09:20 – 09:40

ILO PRESENTATION: BRICS PRODUCTIVITY ECOSYSTEM

09:40 – 09:45

Promotional item

09:45 – 10:30

Panel discussion III

Panellists will be drawn from academia, experts, ILO host country office and entities of the Host Government.

Facilitator: Mr. Siyabonga Hadebe

Labour Attaché, South African Mission, Geneva

10:30 – 11:00

Tea break

11:00 – 11:45

Contributions on the BRICS Productivity Ecosystem (7 mins)

- Federative Republic of Brazil
- People's Republic of China
- Republic of India
- Russian Federation
- Republic of South Africa

Guest Country: Zimbabwe (5 mins)



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11:45-12:30 **Productivity Ecosystem: the South African Experience**
Eastern Cape Socio-Economic Consultative Council

12:30 – 13:30 **LUNCH TIME**

13:30-14:00 **Delegates attended to in relation to revised seating arrangements**

POLITICAL EVENT SESSION FIVE

Programme Director
Ms. Aggy Moiloa
Deputy Director-General: Inspection and Enforcement Services

14:00 – 14:10 **Remarks by the Chair of the BRICS Employment Working Group**

Mr. Thobile Lamati
Director General: Department of Employment and Labour

14:10 – 14:15 **Promotional item**

14:15 – 14:30 **Welcome by the Representative of the Eastern Cape Government**

14:30 – 15:00 **Keynote Address by the Host Government**
H.E. Mr. L.O. Mabuyane
Premier of the Eastern Cape

15:00 – 15:20 **Messages of support**

- International Social Security Association
- International Labour Organisation
- African Union
- ARLAC

15:20 – 15:40 **Comments by Social Partners from the Host Country**

- Workers' representative
- Business representative

15:40 – 15:50 **Vote of Thanks by the Host Government**
H.E. Ms. Boitumelo Moloi
Deputy Minister of Employment and Labour

15:00 **Tour of the Flower Exhibition**

18:00 **Delegates depart for the Dinner and Cultural Experience**

19:00 **Welcome Dinner and Cultural Experience hosted by the EC Parks and Tourism Agency**
Venue: Mpekweni Beach Resort
R72 Coastal Road, Peddie



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Day III: Thursday, 11 May 2023

09:00 – 18:00 **Excursion Organised by Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency**

Day IV: Friday, 12 May 2023

**BRICS EWG
SESSION THREE
(Closing Ceremony)**

Remarks by the Chair of the BRICS Employment Working Group

Mr. Thobile Lamati

Director General: Department of Employment and Labour

09:00 – 09:10

Remarks by the chair

09:20 – 10:00

Presentation of the outcome of Priorities 3 and 4

Mr. Siphon Ndebele

Acting DDG: Labour Policy & Industrial Relations

10:00 – 10:30

Tea break

10:30 – 11:30

Presentation of the Draft Ministerial Declaration and Process

- Elements of the Draft Ministerial Declaration
- First Draft for discussion on the margins of the ILC
- Inputs to Summit Declaration

Mr. Siyabonga Hadebe

Labour Attaché, South African Mission, Geneva

11:30 – 12:00

Closing Ceremony

12:00 – 13:00

LUNCH TIME

18:00

Dinner hosted by Mr Lamati, Director-General Employment and Labour



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