

Dagsê WRSA-lede / Good day WRSA members,

TEBOGO MOGASHOA, WRSA PRESIDENT EN AMBASSADEUR

Landbouweekliks (DSTV kanaal 147) het onlangs 'n besoek afgelê by WRSA se president, Tebogo Mogashoa. Die episode is vroeër die week uitgesaai en word herhaal op Saterdagoggend 1 September om 07:00, Sondagmiddag om 17:00 en op Maandag 3 September om 05:30 en 12:00.

Tebogo word erken as 'n uitstekende ambassadeur vir WRSA en die wilbedryf, soos wat dit duidelik blyk uit hierdie program.

PRESIDENT RAMAPHOSA SIGNED OFF INITIATIVES TO GROW THE SOUTH AFRICAN WILDLIFE ECONOMY

Our CEO, Adri Kitshoff-Botha and Mr Xola Mkefe from DEA, presented the outcomes of the 2016 Biodiversity Lab to President Ramaphosa, various Ministers, MEC's and other dignitaries on Saturday 25 August. This was followed by President Ramaphosa signing off the following initiatives:

The Wildlife Economy Lab developed detailed plans for 15 initiatives and a further 6 recommendations

Facilitating transformation	Driving growth through promoting 'value' and products	Creating an enabling environment for the wildlife sector
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Identify and prioritize 10m Ha for transformation of wildlife economy 2 Establish, develop and support new wildlife ranching entrants including business set up support, infrastructure and game ownership programmes 3 Increase capacity and support for (at least) 300 CPA's, trusts and traditional authorities 4 Create supply chain linkages and capacitate 4,000 SMEs (new and existing) to locally capture the value of ancillary goods and services to the wildlife economy 5 Operationalise 11 biodiversity economy nodes, that enhance the economic potential of Protected and non Protected Areas 6 Empower 4,000 emerging entrepreneurs and farmers through focused capacity building programmes 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7 Formalize SA game meat market and create a network of game meat processing facilities 8 Implement a campaign that drives participative transformation and consumer growth for wildlife related activities and products 9 Promote sustainable use as a foundation for conservation and growth of biodiversity economy 10 Develop a strategic marketing campaign and value proposition for mixed game and livestock systems 11 Establish mechanisms to allow for holistic and integrated management of animal health and conflict issues at the livestock-wildlife interface 12 Develop an appropriate mechanism to manage and mitigate risk 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13 Develop and implement wildlife industry standards 14 Develop and implement a national wildlife economy certification scheme 15 Develop and implement an electronic wildlife permitting system and centralised database 16 "Re-position" the Wildlife Forum as an efficient interdepartmental/ industry collaboration and co-ordination platform to promote the benefits of the Wildlife Economy 17 Develop an integrated knowledge/ evidence generating and sharing platform to support the wildlife economy 18 Leverage protected areas to unlock economic potential
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 19 Develop a toolkit of effective wildlife business, stewardship and partnership models 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 19 Develop, upskill and resource extension services to facilitate the growth of the wildlife economy

1 Recommendations will be included with high level activities, but these will not have 10 plans

The initiatives above flowed from the following challenges identified during the 5-week Biodiversity Lab in 2016:



NOORD-KAAP & OMGEWING SE WILDBOERE: WRSA IS NOU OP JUL DREMPEL!

WRSA se betrokkenheid by wildboere in die Noord-Kaap het 'n hupstoot gekry met die stigting van 'n bedryfskamer in Kimberley vroeër die week. Ons sien uit na al die aksies wat voorsitter Jacques Kriek en sy verkose komitee gaan loods ter ondersteuning van wildboere in die omgewing.

Leiers in die wildbedryf in Upington het ook weer hulle ondersteuning aan proaktiewe aksies in hul area bevestig.

WRSA, AS PART OF ORGANISED AGRICULTURE, WILL ATTEND A MEETING WITH THE ANC

Our deputy president Wiaan van der Linde, Director Land Reform Dr Tlalane Lesoli and CEO Adri Kitshoff-Botha will represent our members at the meeting which will take place soon. Our appreciation to AgriSA for arranging this very important meeting for

members of organised agriculture to address the important issue of land reform and expropriation without compensation.

MUNISIPALE HEFFINGS EN BELASTINGS

WRSA het onlangs 'n werkwinkel bygewoon om hierdie sensitiewe kwessie aan te spreek en sal deelneem aan verdere gesprekke en onderhandelinge en terugvoering aan ons lede gee.

WRSA AKTIWITEITE

Met 'n baie besige week agter die rug na Vrystaat en Upington se komiteevergaderings, stigting van Kimberley Bedryfskamer, Noord Wes inligtingsdag en bywoning van Agri Noord-Kaap kongres, wag daar nog 'n bedrywige week op ons.

Inligtingsdae:

3 September: 2:00nm, Budu Lodge, Nelspruit

4 September: 2:00nm, Meranti Restaurant, Gravelotte

4 September: 6:30nm, 1 Militêre Hospitaal Lapa, Thaba Tshwane

6 September: 10:00vm, Enmaweni Game breeders, Naboomspruit

5 & 6 September: Predator Management Forum meeting,
Bloemfontein

7 September: Organised Agriculture meeting with ANC leadership

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