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### **External Communications: Media Release**

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#### **Sedibeng municipalities converges at a Joint IDP Mayoral Committees Lekgotla**

The Sedibeng District Municipality together with its locals, the Emfuleni, Midvaal & Lesedi Local Municipalities will be convening on the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> March 2013 at a Joint District Wide IDP/GSD Mayoral Committees Lekgotla.

This Lekgotla is an annual forum of all Mayoral Committees in Sedibeng which affords all municipalities a platform for a collective planning on service delivery programmes and economic development in the Region.

It follows the one which was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> March 2012, at the Khaya iBhubesi in Parys, Free State Province.

This time around, the 2013 Lekgotla comes at the time when the discussions to amalgamate some of the local government structures within the current boundaries into a metropolitan system of government are at an advanced stage.

#### **Details of the Lekgotla**

**Date** : Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013  
**Time** : 08:00  
**Venue** : Midrand Conference Centre

The District Wide IDP Mayoral Committees Lekgotla will be addressed by the:

- **Minister for Corporative Governance & Traditional Affairs: Mr. Richard Baloyi** on the Relevance of District Municipalities in South Africa;
- **Gauteng MEC for Local Government & Housing: Ms Ntombi Mekgwe** on the Key Priorities for Gauteng with Reference to Sedibeng Region;
- **The Executive Mayor of the Sedibeng District Municipality: Cllr. Mahole Simon Mofokeng** on the Overview of the District and Progress on the Growth and Development Strategy, (GDS)-02;

“At this Lekgotla, we will be reaffirming our commitment as the four municipalities to ensuring that our activities and programmes are aligned and they speak to our long term goals.”, says the Executive Mayor of the Sedibeng District Municipality: Cllr. Mahole Simon Mofokeng.

Deliberations which will emanate from this Lekgotla in terms of community needs, municipal planning, service delivery projects and annual respective councils’ budget will find their expression in our municipal Integrated Development Plans for the financial year 2013 / 2014.

The District Wide Lekgotla will further receive reports on the progress made by all municipalities in relation to our respective service delivery commitments and implementation of plans such as deliver services, provide facilities and build healthy and safe communities in the current financial year, 2012 / 2013.

Four commissions dealing with the Sedibeng Economic Transformation, Social Transformation Governance, and Basic Services.

The Lekgotla deliberations will be concluded by resolutions meant to ensure holistic and integrated regional development programmes which will seek to mainstream and enhance participation and empower our people, through a people-cantered approach which is responsive and gender inclusive.

The implementation of these resolutions by the various municipalities in the Sedibeng District will improve the quality of services which we render.

Ends!

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