

Training for Township Renewal Initiative

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Dear Delegate

INTRODUCTION TO TOWNSHIP RENEWAL INCEPTION 5 DAY COURSE

Welcome to the first "Introduction to Township Renewal" course organized by the Training for Township Renewal Initiative (TTRI) partners.

The TTRI is a new joint initiative by National Treasury (Neighbourhood Development Programme Unit), the Department of Provincial and Local Government (Urban Renewal Programme Unit), the Development Bank of Southern Africa (Sustainable Communities Programme Unit and the Vulindlela Academy) and the South African Cities Network (Knowledge Unit). The partners are also supported by FinMark Trust and Urban Landmark. The TTRI aims to promote, encourage and support township development and renewal as well as training for township practitioners. Your selection as a participant was based on your professional involvement in township development issues, priorities and initiatives.

The purpose of the five-day course is to develop an understanding of the needs dynamics South Africa's dormitory townships and the various ways of transforming them into functional and sustainable neighbourhoods; the core outcomes to be targeted are township transformation, strategies and interventions. Over the five days the course will cover:

- Overview of the township challenge
- Physical dimensions
- Economic dimensions
- Urban management
- Institutional and organisational issues

All five days are interlinked and each day includes conceptual/theoretical inputs by some of South Africa's top practitioners in these fields. These inputs will be illustrated by practice examples and followed by discussion. A case study will also be used to apply the material covered.

This five-day course will be followed by three further one-day courses to be held early in 2008 and which will focus on township property development, development incentives and economic development strategies and programmes.

We hope forward to an exciting and stimulating five days.

Yours faithfully,

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