

CANNABIS CONFERENCE 2020



10-11 SEPTEMBER 2020



WEBINAR



Objectives of the conference

- To lobby and facilitate application for Cannabis sativa production license for growers
- To engage government on developments within the cannabis industry
- To continue with deliberations on Regulations and the Standards of growing Cannabis
- To explore cannabis emerging markets
- To promote the implementation of the Cannabis sativa programmes within the provinces
- To discuss medicinal innovations of cannabis use
- To lobby for growth in industrial use of cannabis
- To explore current research, training and development opportunities within the cannabis industry

GUEST SPEAKER

Gauteng MEC for Economic Development, Agriculture & Environment: **HON Morakane Mosupyoe**

Speakers Include

Daphney Fafudi

Regulatory Compliance (Cannabis Licencing and Permit Queries)

South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA)

Prof Mohamed Irhuma

Clinical Pharmacologist & Secretary General

College of Clinical Pharmacologists South Africa

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Keketso Kgomo

Candidate Attorney

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Dr Mfundo Maqubela

Director

Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform: Eastern Cape

Nicholas Heinemann

Director

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Andre Harington

Director

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Ras Garreth Prince

Chairperson

Cannabis Development Council of SA

Phumza Vitshima

Chairperson

EC Green Consortium

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Sibusiso Xaba

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Conference Background

After a very successful East London Edition hosted end of February 2020, the Cannabis Conference comes to Johannesburg this September 2020 amid signified growth in the number of actors putting pressure on government that this wonder crop must be given its deserving space and fully legalised for medicinal use and industrial purposes. The Cannabis sativa Industry development has of late become a priority for the provinces in South Africa owing to its potential impact on the economy through both the medical and industrial use. The Constitutional Court's ruling, the pronouncement by President Ramaphosa, in the 2020 SONA have offered possibilities for reducing harms that have accompanied decades of punitive law enforcement.

The South African Cannabis sativa trade is estimated to be around R4 billion per annum, whilst in the whole globe its growth is forecasted to be around 39.4 billion US dollars by 2023. Hence, MEC Makhosazana Meth, at the just ended East London Cannabis Conference alluded that "The time is now!" for Cannabis sativa to create a vibrant economy where people will own majority in the industry and work, hence government support for this industry is here now. Various issues were raised at the discussions in East London that the conference would like to continue with in order to assist all the players involved in the Cannabis Industry.

The conference aims to bring together players from both government and private sector to pursue deliberations and possible collaborations in this sector. This is a must attend webinar for those who would like to network with researchers, entrepreneurs, mavericks, government representatives and thought leaders driving growth in the cannabis industry.

Further discussions on government collaboration, research and development, regulation, policies, licensing, product testing and certification, technological developments, international marketing, private and public partnerships, cannabis use, medical cannabis as funding and investment will be discussed in detail amongst other topics

Topics to be discussed include

- Government collaboration
- Cannabis entrepreneurs support
- Investment and funding panel discussions
- Implementation of the Cannabis sativa programmes within the provinces.
- Cannabis emerging markets
- Cannabis and mental health
- Infrastructure requirements assessment for the Cannabis sativa industry
- Application for Cannabis sativa production license for growers
- Cannabis research, training and development
- Medical Cannabis sativa
- Trials for industrial hemp
- Regulations and the standards of growing Cannabis
- Product testing and certification
- Education in cannabis industry
- Extraction and packaging

Target Market (but not limited to)

- Academic fraternity
- Cannabis sativa growers
- Academics
- Funders
- regulators
- innovators

- Advertising professionals
- Agricultural policy makers
- Beverage companies
- business community
- Business owners (cannabis related products)
- Cannabis users
- Community leaders
- Consultants
- Councillors
- Directors
- Doctors
- Entrepreneurs
- Farm owners
- Local government
- Government departments
- Government representatives
- Health professionals
- Influencers
- Legal experts
- legal industry
- Mayors
- medical industry
- Non-Governmental organisations
- Pharmacologists
- Police officers
- Policy makers
- Potential cannabis growers
- Psychologists
- researchers
- Researchers
- Scientists
- Senior practitioners
- Traditional healers

Target sectors (Not Limited to)

- Advertising
- Agriculture
- Beverage
- Cosmetics
- Drug Rehabilitation Centres
- Fibres
- Government agencies
- Health
- Media
- Medical industry
- Mining
- Non-Governmental organisations
- Nutrition
- Oil
- Pharmaceutical
- Small business
- Textile
- Universities
- Markets and finance

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PROGRAMME

DAY 1: THURSDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2020

- 08:45 **OPENING BY CHAIRPERSON: Dave Rampersad, Dave Africa Security Consultants**
- 09:00 Journey in terms of Regulatory Framework
- Where we came from
 - Current status
 - Future directions
- Daphney Fafudi, Regulatory Compliance, SAHPRA**
- 09:45 **GUEST SPEAKER HON MORAKANE MOSUPYOE**
- 10:45 BREAK**
- 10:55 Updates on regulations around use/and or possession of cannabis by children in South Africa
- Rui Lopes, Associate, Baker McKenzie. Keketso Kgomosotho, Candidate Attorney, Baker McKenzie.**
- 11:40 Cannabis extraction platforms and workflows
- Jeff Verlinden, Separations**
- 12:10 BREAK**
- 12:20 Eastern Cape Cannabis Industry Outlook
- Dr Mfundo Maqubela, Director, Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform (DRDAR)-Eastern Cape**
- 13:00 Keeping Cannabis Proudly South Africa
- Learnings from a local wellness company
- Cian McClland, CEO, Druid's Garden**
- 13:30 BREAK**
- 13:40 Cannabis and traditional knowledge.
- Phephsile Maseko, National Coordinator, Traditional Healers Organisation (THO)**
- 14:20 Role of Gauteng in Cannabis Sector
Freedom of the plant/Brutality
- Ras Steven Thapelo Khunou, Strategic Communications CDCSA – GAUTENG**
- 15:30 **CLOSING BY THE CHAIRPERSON: Dave Rampersad, Dave Africa Security Consultants**

DAY 2: FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2020

- 08:45 **OPENING BY CHAIRPERSON: Dave Rampersad, Dave Africa Security Consultants**
- 09:00 Proposals for the People's Plant Cannabis Bill - Unlocking Cannabis for all in South Africa
- Nicholas Heinemann, Director, SA Cannabis Lobby Group**
- 09:45 The Proposed Cannabis Future. Inclusive or Exclusive?
- Garreth Prince, Chairperson, Cannabis Development Council**
- 10:30 BREAK**
- 10:40 The Potential Cannabinoids Health Benefits From Clinical Pharmacology Perspective: The Missing Gap
- Assoc, Prof (Dr). Mohamed Irhuma, Specialist Clinical Pharmacologist and Secretary of the College of Clinical Pharmacologists**
- 11:20 Finance and investment in Cannabis industry
- Sibusiso Xaba, CEO, ACA Group**
- 12:00 BREAK**
- 12:05 Essential professional cannabis education
- Jacqui Ramage, Pharmacist**
- 12:35 Growing places
- Brent Saaman, VigoLAND International**
- 13:05 Challenges that permits pose to our Traditional Healers
- Gogo Zanele Mazibuko, CDCGP IKS Representative for Traditional Healers**
- 13:25 "Unleash Hemp/Cannabis Industry potential as a Game Changer in Eastern Cape
- Ms Pumza Vitshima, Chairperson, EC Green Consortium**
- 14:25 Securing the Cannabis Industry; Seed to Sale
- Dave Rampersad, Chairperson, Dave Africa Security Consultants**
- 15:00 **CLOSING BY CHAIRPERSON: Dave Rampersad, Dave Africa Security Consultants**