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MEDIA ADVISORY

**MINISTER STELLA TEMBISA NDABENI TO DELIVER KEYNOTE ADDRESS
AT THE 2ND ANNUAL TOWNSHIP & RURAL ECONOMY INVESTMENT
COMPACT**

The Minister of Small Business Development, Ms Stella Tembisa Ndabeni, will deliver a keynote address at the 2nd Annual Township & Rural Economy Investment Compact (TREDA) in East London.

The Compact will bring together government, business, investors, development institutions and other key stakeholders to strengthen investment, enterprise development and economic opportunities within township and rural economies.

The engagement will provide a platform to advance practical partnerships aimed at improving access to finance, markets, infrastructure, business development support and investment opportunities for township and rural enterprises.

Minister Ndabeni's address will highlight government's commitment to positioning township and rural businesses as central contributors to inclusive economic growth, job creation and local economic development.

Accredited members of the media are invited to attend and interact with Minister Stella Tembisa Ndabeni on the sidelines of the 2nd Annual Township & Rural Economy Investment Compact (TREDA).

Date: Monday, 28 September 2026

Time: 10:00

Venue: Asante Estate, East London

Event: 2nd Annual Township & Rural Economy Investment Compact (TREDA)

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