

# NBI ON A CLEAR DAY 2018



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## INDUSTRY NEWS

**WORLD'S FIRST PLASTIC-FREE SUPERMARKET AISLE OPENS IN AMSTERDAM** This week saw the opening of a unique store in the Netherlands where items on its aisles are completely free from plastic packaging. *[Climate Action, 1 March 2018.](#)*

**NEW BILLS TO PUSH FOR INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SYSTEM** Cabinet has approved two bills which lay the foundation towards the National Development Plan (NDP) 2030 aspirations of an integrated passenger transport system that is accessible for all. *[BizCommunity, 1 March 2018.](#)*

**WHY SCIENTISTS HAVE MODELLED CLIMATE CHANGE RIGHT UP TO THE YEAR 2300** The seas will continue to rise for 300 years. That's the conclusion of a new study, published in [Nature Communications](#), which projects how much the sea level will rise under varying degrees of success in tackling climate change right up to the year 2300. [Dmitry Yumashev, BizCommunity, 28 February 2018.](#)

**LAND BANK'S NCHOCHO DECRIES SLOW TRANSFORMATION** Land Bank chief executive TP Nchocho doesn't mince his words when it comes to ramping up the slow transformation pace in the agriculture sector. [Luyolo Mkentane, IOL Business, 28 February 2018.](#)

**CEO INITIATIVE: NEW CABINET WILL BOOST CONFIDENCE IN THE ECONOMY** The CEO Initiative has lauded President Cyril Ramaphosa's new cabinet. [Times Live, 27 February 2018.](#)

**ARCTIC WARMING: SCIENTISTS ALARMED BY 'CRAZY' TEMPERATURE RISES** Record warmth in the Arctic this month could yet prove to be a freak occurrence, but experts warn the warming event is unprecedented. [Jonathan Watts, The Guardian, 27 February 2018.](#)

**GLOBAL AIRLINE BODY SETS NEW TARGET FOR USE OF SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUELS** The International Air Transport Association (IATA), the representative body for the global airline industry, has announced a target of having one-billion passengers fly in aircraft powered by a mixture of jet fuel and sustainable aviation fuel by 2025 – seven years from now. [Rebecca Campbell, Engineering News, 27 February 2018.](#)

**MORE THAN 100 CITIES NOW MOSTLY POWERED BY RENEWABLE ENERGY, DATA SHOWS** The number of cities getting at least 70% of their total electricity supply from renewable energy has more than doubled since 2015. [Elle Hunt, The Guardian, 27 February 2018.](#)

**BUSA SAYS CABINET RESHUFFLE A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION** Business Unity South Africa (BUSA), today welcomed President Ramaphosa's first cabinet reshuffle, saying the return of Nhlanhla Nene to the Finance portfolio and the appointment of Pravin Gordhan, as Minister of Public Enterprises reinforces the requirements for a strong, accountable and successful economic cluster. [SAfrica 24, 27 February 2018.](#)

**DURBAN SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN RICS CITIES FOR OUR FUTURE CHALLENGE** Launched earlier this month, RICS (the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors) is calling on the youth to come up with new ideas to help tackle the most pressing problems affecting cities in Africa and around the world in its Cities for our Future Challenge. [BizCommunity, 27 February 2018.](#)

**EUROPE'S CITIES FACE A HOTTER CENTURY** Europe's cities are about to bake. The worst-case scenario for ever-hotter temperatures now suggests that later this century the Austrian city of Innsbruck – for example – could be subjected to heatwaves 14°C hotter than any in the past. [Tim Radford, Climate News Network, 27 February 2018.](#)

**NEW BOOK HIGHLIGHTS HOW SAFE TRADE SOLUTIONS HELP THE POOREST COUNTRIES** Today's global trade landscape is changing. Higher levels of competition mean consumers worldwide are demanding safer food. Across continents, climate change is adding to the problem of pests and diseases that are threatening animal and plant health, putting agricultural production and the environment at risk. [Tralac, 27 February 2018.](#)

**CLIMATE CHANGE BLAMED FOR SEVERE WINTER STORM IN EUROPE** Large parts of Europe have been hit by a freak winter storm, bringing rare snow and plummeting temperatures on much of the continent. [MSN South Africa, 27 February 2018.](#)

**INTERNATIONAL PRIZE RECOGNISES WOMEN SCIENTISTS FROM 5 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES** Five women scientists from the developing world have been awarded an international prize for research that promotes socio-economic development and a better quality of life. [iAfrikan, Aleida Rueda, 26 February, 2018.](#)

**ENERGY STORAGE LEAP COULD SLASH ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING TIMES** Development of new material for supercapacitors has potential to raise range to that of petrol cars. [Adam Vaughan, The Guardian, 26 February 2018.](#)

**BLSA STATEMENT ON CABINET RESHUFFLE** [BLSA, 26 February 2018.](#)

**AFRICA NEEDS YOUNG, VIBRANT AND INNOVATIVE LEADERS: GRACA MACHEL** Africa's youth and women need to stand up and take charge as the continent's new leaders. [Graeme Hosken, Times Live, 25 February 2018.](#)

## NBI IN THE NEWS/NBI NEWS

**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS)** The NBI core strategy is to engage business in economic and social transformation. We do this through thought leadership to identify areas where NBI member companies can collaborate and have significant impact; building the capacity of companies to understand issues; and designing collective action programmes where companies and other stakeholders (especially Government) work together to scale impact. The SDGs help provide a road map and set of targets that define this economic and social transformation as well as a framework for collaboration and measuring performance. Work by the Business and Sustainable Development Commission show the size of the opportunity of implementing the SDGs: worth US\$12 trillion in value across 12 system changes and creating 380 million jobs. The NBI is therefore working with sectors across the country in order to prioritise SDGs for a sector. Companies will struggle to simultaneously impact all of the 17 SDGs and working with other companies in their sector on selected SDGs provides a way to scale impact and share best practice. If you are interested in participating in a sector pilot, please contact [Steve Nicholls.](#)

**NATIONAL BUSINESS INITIATIVE: PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYABILITY** Workplace-based Learning in Hospitality: Mentors reflect on their experiences in hosting candidates. [Read here.](#)

**TRANSFORMING SUPPLY CHAINS:** On Tuesday this week, the NBI hosted a roundtable at Clicks in Cape Town to discuss transforming the supply chain. The objectives of the roundtable were to: share experiences in managing and driving transformation within supply chains, discuss successes, issues and challenges in transforming supply chains and to prioritise themes and focus areas for collective action. Look out for the Quick Brief which is to follow this thoughtful and candid discussion.

**CSIR PUBLISHES LATEST ATLAS TO GUIDE RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE** The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has published the second edition of the South African Risk and Vulnerability Atlas (SARVA), alongside the relaunch of the newly revamped online portal, to help business navigate current research on the risk and vulnerability of key social and economic sectors to climate change. [Natasha Odendaal, Engineering News, 22 February 2018.](#)

**CARBON TAX BILL:** In the 2018 Budget Speech the minister of finance stated “Parliament is currently considering the draft Carbon Tax Bill, which will assist South Africa to meet its climate change commitments to reduce our carbon emissions. The tax will be implemented from 1 January 2019”. Today the NBI is hosting a TLS Session on **Carbon Regulation in South Africa** for its member companies in Johannesburg. This TLS seminar will focus on assisting companies to understand the current state of domestic carbon regulation, focusing on the key salient points in each of the major regulations or initiatives underway. Please contact [Alex McNamara](#) for further details on Carbon Regulation in SA.

**HOW DO WE CREATE A SUSTAINABLE SOCIETY?** [View video here.](#)

**NBI’S VISION FOR TRANSFORMATION:** A South African business community contributing actively to social and economic transformation by creating jobs and economic opportunities and that identifies and addresses internal and external transformation challenges in order to ensure equity within the workplace and an organisational culture appropriate to this; as well as addressing the relationship between business and the rest of society in order to create increased equity. Please contact [Gugu McLaren-Ushewokunze](#) for further information on our transformation programme.

## NBI INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

Bringing you news and the latest research from our international partners

**CDP** CDP in South Africa is a long-standing partnership between the London-based CDP and the NBI. They have built the most comprehensive collection of self-reported environmental information in the world. Over the past 15 years CDP has created a system that has resulted in unparalleled engagement on environmental issues. Read their latest press release entitled: “*Over 100 global cities get majority of electricity from renewables*”, [here.](#)

**UNGC CEO WATER MANDATE** NBI partners with the CEO Water Mandate to encourage water stewardship in South Africa. Established by the UN Global Compact in 2007, and rooted in the belief that cross-sectoral collaboration on shared water goals is the most effective path to more sustainable water management, the CEO Water Mandate is a unique public-private initiative that mobilizes business leaders for water stewardship. Read their latest blog article entitled: “*Water Stewardship in Supply Chains: The Missing Piece?*”, [here.](#)

**WE MEAN BUSINESS (WMB)** NBI is the South African partner to WMB. WMB is a coalition of organizations working with thousands of the world’s most influential businesses and investors to accelerate the transition to a low carbon economy. Read their progress report by CEO, Nigel Toppings entitled “*Peak oil and zero-carbon grids*”, [here.](#)

**WORLD BUSINESS COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (WBCSD)** NBI is the global partner of the WBCSD in South Africa. View their latest video: *WBCSD President Peter Bakker On Living The Paris Agreement*, [here.](#)

## NBI MEMBER COMPANY NEWS

**BARCLAYS AFRICA REPORTS HIGHER ANNUAL PROFIT, AIDED BY FALL IN IMPAIRMENTS** Barclays Africa Group, South Africa's No.2 lender by market value, reported a 4 percent rise in annual profit on Thursday, thanks to a substantial decline in impairments. [Reuters, 1 March 2018.](#)

**CLICKS EMPLOYEES BENEFIT FROM COMPANY'S PROFIT SHARE SCHEME** Nearly 8 000 full-time employees at the Clicks Group will benefit from a massive R1.3 billion employee share ownership scheme payout as well as a further R100 million donation to the Clicks Foundation for educational bursaries. [IOL, 28 February 2018.](#)

**SAPPI CONCLUDES CHAM PAPER ACQUISITION** JSE-listed Sappi has completed the acquisition of Cham Paper Group (CPG). [Engineering News, 28 February 2018.](#)

**MURRAY & ROBERTS INTERIM PROFITS MORE THAN DOUBLE** South African engineering and construction group Murray & Roberts said interim profits more than doubled on higher earnings from its underground mining activities and reduced loss from the sale of its Middle East business. [Moneyweb, 28 February 2018.](#)

**SOUTH AFRICA'S AECI SEES GROWTH IN WATER TREATMENT AFTER DROUGHT HITS CONTINENT** South African chemicals group AECI could increase revenue from its desalination and water treatment business by up to 80 percent over the next five years after a severe drought hit Africa, its CEO said. [Reuters, 27 February 2018.](#)

**BMW SOUTH AFRICA INVESTS R73MN INTO SKILLS DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY IN SA** BMW South Africa is investing R73 Million rand on a brand new skills development academy. [CNBC Africa's Lubabalo Mashiqana filed this report.](#)

**SASOL POSTS SOLID INTERIM RESULTS ON GLOBAL OIL RECOVERY** Energy and chemicals group Sasol [JSE: SOL] said on Monday headline earnings per share (Heps) showed a 17% increase in the six months to end-December 2017, above market guidance on the back of a higher oil price. [FIN24, 26 February 2018.](#)

**TRANSNET DELIVERS ON ITS AFRICA STRATEGY** State-owned Transnet's Diaspora Infrastructure Development Group (DIDG) Consortium on Wednesday delivered rolling stock to the National Railways of Zimbabwe (NRZ) to strengthen regional integration, trade and the recapitalisation of the Zimbabwean railway programme. [Engineering News, 22 February 2018.](#)

**UTILITIES SHOULD EMBRACE TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION – ESKOM'S GOVENDER** The fourth industrial revolution presents an opportunity to embrace technology and innovation in the energy sector, State-owned Eskom transmission and sustainability group executive Thava Govender said on Wednesday. [Engineering News, 21 February 2018.](#)

**ABB TECHNOLOGY HARNESSSES THE POWER OF THE SUN FOR EXPANSIVE DUBAI SOLAR PROJECT** As the United Arab Emirates (UAE) grows its solar capabilities, ABB solar inverters help villa owners in Hatta reduce energy bills by up to 40 percent. [African Petrochemicals, 21 February 2018.](#)

**A NEW DAWN AWAITS SA – GOLDMAN SACHS** The South African economy could grow 2.3% in 2018 amid political change, a slowdown in inflation and higher commodity prices, the managing director of Goldman Sachs Sub-Saharan Africa said on Tuesday morning. [Moneyweb, 14 February 2018.](#)

**THE BONGANI NQWABABA BUSINESS LEADERSHIP JOURNEY** A candid, instructive interview with Sasol's remarkable joint president and CEO. [Moneyweb, 14 February 2018.](#)

**ESKOM RESPONDS TO WATER CRISIS WITH KOEBERG DESALINATION PLANT** A new desalination plant at the Koeberg nuclear power station will attempt to alleviate some of Cape Town's water woes. [FIN24, 14 February 2018.](#)

**PPC APPOINTS PERMANENT CEO** South African cement maker PPC said on Wednesday interim chief executive officer Johan Claassen had been appointed permanent CEO and executive director of the group with immediate effect. [Moneyweb, 14 February 2018.](#)

**UNITAR AND ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV SIGN PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT TO IMPROVE ROAD SAFETY AND SAVE LIVES** [Press Release, 14 February 2018.](#)

## WESTERN CAPE WATER CRISIS

**WESTERN CAPE MUST CONTINUE TO RALLY TO PREVENT DAY ZERO** The City of Cape Town has managed to bring water consumption down to levels last seen in 2000, but this trend must continue well beyond the winter rainfall period to ensure that Day Zero is avoided. The key message from the **NBI Drought Task Force** is that the job is far from over, and depending on rainfall levels and consumption in 2018, the Western Cape could still face severe water shortages in 2018 or 2019. Businesses are reminded that **Level 6B** restrictions are in place in Cape Town, and that companies must reduce their monthly consumption of municipal drinking water by 45% compared to the corresponding period in 2015. For more information on the Western Cape Drought Task Force please contact [Alex McNamara.](#)

**LOSSES MOUNT IN WESTERN CAPE'S FARM SECTOR** The Western Cape province expects its agriculture sector to decline by around 20 percent, as a severe drought hits farmlands surrounding Cape Town as the city braces for "Day Zero", when its taps are expected to run dry. [Engineering News, 1 March 2018.](#)

**WHAT COULD HAVE PREVENTED THE CAPE TOWN WATER CRISIS** After three years of unrelenting drought, the South African city of Cape Town is at risk of running out of water. The massive water shortage is the product of the worst drought in more than a century. [Shubha Kumar, GreenBiz, 28 February 2018.](#)

**#EVERYDROPCOUNTS: IT'S ILLEGAL TO SELL TAP WATER, CITY OF CAPE TOWN WARNS** As the drought tightens its grip on the Western Cape, the City of Cape Town has issued a stern warning reminding residents that selling tap water, or any water from a municipal supply, is in contravention of the City's by-laws. [IOL, 28 February 2018.](#)

**WWF WEDNESDAY WATER FILE #7: DEBUNKING DESALINATION** Desalination can provide an important additional source of water for Cape Town as our existing freshwater sources become more stressed under conditions of drought and climate change. [WWF-SA, 28 February 2018.](#)

**PROTEAS, INDIA MAKE COMBINED DONATION FOR CAPE TOWN WATER CRISIS** Indian skipper Virat Kohli and his South African counterpart Faf du Plessis have donated Rs 5.5 lakhs (100,000 Rand) to the Cape Town Water Crisis on behalf of both teams. [South Africa News.Net, 28 February 2018.](#)

**IS CAPE TOWN JUST THE BEGINNING OF A GLOBAL WATER CRISIS?** Planet Earth, with its majestic diversity and incredible power to surprise us, has been showing for years that we could face a global crisis for access to water. [Cape Business News, 27 February 2018.](#)

**CAPE TOWN CITY BUSINESS ENQUIRY SERVICE** has been set up to provide information on the City's procedures and processes. If you need any assistance please contact: [business.support@capetown.gov.za](mailto:business.support@capetown.gov.za).

**LEVEL 6B WATER RESTRICTIONS CAME INTO EFFECT FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2018**, with the following impact: Residents to use 50 litres per day; across home, work, school or elsewhere. Commercial properties need to reduce usage by 45% compared with the corresponding period in 2015 (pre-drought). Agricultural users need to reduce usage by 60% compared with the corresponding period in 2015 (pre-drought). [Full level 6b water restrictions guidelines](#), including new guidelines for borehole and well-point use.

**USEFUL CONTACT INFORMATION:** City of Cape Town's [drought updates](#) – updated weekly. Western Cape Government [drought page](#), including restrictions by municipality. The Western Cape's [#WaterWiseTourism page](#).

**WWF WEDNESDAY WATER FILE #6: BUSINESS CONTINUITY** For the first time in weeks it seems that if we save enough water our actions might result in us avoiding Day Zero. Water is now everybody's business, and consequently there is hope that our businesses and workplaces will continue to function – keeping us financially and economically secure. This week's Water File focuses on the plans businesses should have in place to reduce water demand, diversify the sources of water they are using, and also prepare for a Day Zero in their direct operations, with staff, neighbouring businesses and suppliers. [WWF-SA, 21 February 2018](#).

## NOTICES, REPORTS, OPINION AND SURVEYS

**THE WBCSD** is pleased to share with you their latest [SDG Briefing](#) which aims to source and package latest insight, key developments and emerging trends about the SDGs and seeks to provide inspiration and guidance to help you navigate this very dynamic landscape. For more detail on any of these developments and resources, news and insight pieces visit: [SDG Business Hub](#).

**TRIALOGUE BUSINESS IN SOCIETY CONFERENCE TO ADDRESS KEY THEMES IN CSI AND RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS** Delegates at South Africa's annual responsible business gathering taking place in May 2018 can look forward to an inspirational speaker line-up addressing on-trend themes ranging from social justice to harnessing the momentous changes of the digital revolution. [BizCommunity, 26 February 2018](#).

**RELEASED THIS WEEK: NEW REPORT HELPS BUSINESS NAVIGATE GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING TRENDS** The World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and the Climate Disclosure Standards Board (CDSB) just released a [new report](#) that maps global and regional Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) reporting trends.

**OPINION: HOW TO MAKE PROGRESS ON THE SDGS? PRIORITIZE GENDER EQUALITY** In 2015, global leaders signed up to the most ambitious development agenda the world has ever seen, agreeing to 17 sustainable development goals. [Devex, 20 February 2018](#).

**THULI MADONSELA LAUNCHES HER OWN FOUNDATION** Former Public Protector Thuli Madonsela is on Tuesday launching her own foundation at Constitution Hill, Johannesburg. [IOL, 20 February 2018](#).

**HOW EDUCATION CAN MEET THE NEEDS OF THE WORKPLACE** How will increased access to education translate into increased employment to drive growth? [Business Live, 20 February 2018](#).



**CEO WATER MANDATE LAUNCHES NEW ACTION PLATFORM FOR ENDORSING COMPANIES** Over the past six months, the Mandate consulted its endorsing companies to determine the future trajectory of the initiative and the transition of its programmatic work into a three-year **Action Platform**, titled “Water Security through Stewardship.” [Website.](#)

## NBI EVENTS 2018

**THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SERIES: THE 4TH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION AND THE FUTURE OF WORK IN SOUTH AFRICA on Wednesday, 14 March 2018 at the BLSA Offices, Sandton.** For South Africa and for Africa, shifts in the nature of work towards greater reliance on technology and ICT are generally perceived as a threat and one which can only exacerbate our serious unemployment and skills challenges. The NBI and Adcorp are hosting the first in a thought leadership series that will explore the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution from the perspective of what it might mean for our economy and how we can engage with it to create new opportunities and jobs that support the vision of the National Development Plan (NDP) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Please click [here](#) if you are an NBI Member Company and would like to attend this event.

**THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SERIES: ELECTRIC VEHICLES ON THE RISE on Monday, 19 March 2018 at FutureSpace, Sandton.** The electric vehicle (EV) market has also been steadily growing. In 2016, the cumulative sale of electric passenger cars and utility vans passed 1 million units, and in January 2017, the monthly sale of passenger EVs (including plug-in hybrids, all-electric cars and conventional hybrids) surpassed conventional car sales for the first time. But what does this global momentum on EVs mean for South Africa, if at all? To what extent will this affect local car manufacturers and the local market, both now and in the future? And is this a sustainable mobility solution for the country? If you an NBI Member company Join us in our next TLS seminar as we tackle these key questions by clicking [here](#).

**THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SERIES: APPROACHES TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION on Tuesday, 20 March 2018 at Sanlam, Sandton.** As part of the NBI’s Transformation Programme, the Thought Leadership Series (TLS) will explore approaches to contributing towards creating an equal and just South African society. Transformation is a complex and layered issue that continues to pose a significant challenge for companies. The complexity of the issue is confounded further by the context in which organisations operate: sector, location, size etc., meaning that there are multiple and varied ways to have an impact. The purpose of this Thought Leadership dialogue is to understand approaches to changing our economy and society, and explore differing views, as well as convergences, as ultimately we are all working towards the same end. If you an NBI Member company please join us at our next TLS seminar as we tackle these key questions, by clicking [here](#).

## SOUTH AFRICAN EVENTS 2018

**WOMEN AS LEADERS 6 to 8 March 2018 at GIBS, Illovo.** Does gender matter? Gender shouldn’t matter, but in reality only 5% of CEOs in Africa are women (McKinsey & Company Women Matter Africa Report, 2016). Although there has been progress in empowering female leaders in the workplace, gender equality challenges still



plague organisations. As a dynamic female leader, gain the practical tools and knowledge to overcome these challenges and achieve personal effectiveness through enhanced leadership and management skills, to thrive in a world of gender equality challenges. This programme also provides an opportunity to exchange views and network with women leaders from diverse sectors of government, business and society. [GIBS Website](#).

**UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP (CISL) SA: SUSTAINABILITY PRACTITIONER PROGRAMME 4 to 7 March 2018 at Diermersfontein, Cape Town.** Inviting middle to senior managers to expose them to the latest global system pressures and trends that will have an impact on the future of their organisations. Participants will deepen their thinking with peers and will leave feeling empowered to convey to their executive/line managers the business logic of placing sustainability at the core of strategy. For more information click [here](#) or download the application form [here](#).

**STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT FOR EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING COURSE 13 March 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone: **082 395 7582**.

**HOW TO MANAGE ASSURANCE OF YOUR ORGANISATION'S SUSTAINABILITY/ INTEGRATED REPORT COURSE 14 March 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone: **082 395 7582**.

**2018 THE WATER SHOW AFRICA 27 to 28 March 2018 at the Sandton Convention Centre, Gauteng.** A unique conference and marketplace for water professionals to discover the latest services and innovation to improve the delivery of water infrastructure and efficiency in service supply. Reflecting the growth and development in the region for years to come, the show is the most important place to build partnerships for future success. Book tickets [here](#).

**2018 ANNUAL SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE 28 March 2018 at the Gallagher Conference Centre in Midrand.** The conference will feature an inspirational line-up of speakers including highly successful entrepreneurs, renowned local thought-leaders, Government, mavericks and game-changers in the ESD field. As a specialist in the Enterprise and Supplier Development space, you can look forward to an interactive programme line-up that encompasses a variety of diverse and practical topics. The Keynote Speaker will be Ms Malebo Mabitje - Thompson: Deputy Director General of the DTI. Please contact: Creative Space Media on **011 467 3341** or e-mail: [admin@creativespacemedia.co.za](mailto:admin@creativespacemedia.co.za).

**INTERNATIONALLY CERTIFIED COURSE ON INTEGRATED REPORTING (PRACTITIONERS' LEVEL) 18 to 19 April 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** Offered jointly by ESS and ENACT. For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone **082 395 7582**.

**INTERNATIONALLY CERTIFIED GRI SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING STANDARDS COURSE** followed by the Workshop on GRI Disclosures (Performance Indicators) based on the new Standards **29 to 31 May 2018 at the Glenhove Conference Centre, Melrose, Johannesburg.** For more information visit: [www.ess-sustainability.co.za](http://www.ess-sustainability.co.za), e-mail: [seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za](mailto:seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za) or phone **082 395 7582**.

**TRAINING PROGRAMME IN OCEAN GOVERNANCE FOR AFRICA 3 to 28 September 2018 at SANBI, Kirstenbosch, Cape Town.** The IOI-SA will be running the annual course in Ocean Governance for Africa in collaboration with the South African International Maritime Institute (SAIMI), the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI), and

other partners in September 2018. E-mail your [application](#) by **13<sup>th</sup> April 2018** to: [Shampton@ioisa.org](mailto:Shampton@ioisa.org) or [Hampton.shannon@gmail.com](mailto:Hampton.shannon@gmail.com). Please also refer to the [IOI-SA Web page](#) for further information and any updates.

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & WEBINARS 2018

**CLIMATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 28 February to 2 March 2018 Denver, USA.** CDP is a proud supporting partner of the 2018 Climate Leadership Conference, hosted by the Centre for Climate and Energy Solutions and The Climate Registry. The CLC annually attracts over 400 sustainability thought leaders and decision makers, providing a platform to hear, learn from, and engage with senior professionals tackling climate change in their work. For queries, please e-mail: [questions@climateleadershipconference.org](mailto:questions@climateleadershipconference.org).

**SDGS DEEP DIVE WEBINAR - SDG 6 CLEAN WATER & SANITATION 6 March 2018.** “SDG 6 – Clean water and Sanitation” tasks constituents to ensure access to water and sanitation for all, all the while ascertaining the health of life-sustaining water ecosystems. Clean and accessible water underpins healthy, prosperous societies and economies. Business depends on water and impacts upon its availability. Water scarcity, poor water quality and inadequate sanitation affects us across the board - food security, reliable basic services, business continuity and peace and security are just a few examples. [Join the WBCSD on 6 March 2018](#)

**CARBON TRUST BRUNCH BRIEFING - VALUE CHAIN RESOURCE EFFICIENCY: DRIVING TRANSFORMATIONAL CHANGE 7 March 2018 London UK.** Organisations are now having to look beyond their own operational boundaries, taking action to mitigate climate change and resource efficiency risk, at the same time as seizing the opportunities from the transition to a more sustainable economy. [Register.](#)

**2018 SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT FORUM EUROPE 13 March 2018 Paris, France.** The new Sustainable Investment Forum Europe will be taking place in March 2018 in Paris, France, gathering decision-makers from the investment community, European governments and think tanks to discuss concrete solutions to the current challenges of the European and global climate finance market. [Website.](#)

**RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS SUMMIT NEW YORK 26 to 27 March 2018.** Increasingly businesses are working together to deliver the ambitious partnerships that will help deliver the SDGs and more. The Responsible Business Summit New York is USA's must-attend event for CEOs and business professionals looking to shape the future of sustainable and responsible business. [Register here.](#)

**SCALING COLLABORATION TO DELIVER THE SDGs 26 to 29 March 2018 Jakarta, Indonesia.** The 5th Responsible Business Forum on Food & Agriculture will convene over 500 food, agriculture and nutrition decision makers from companies, governments, investors, NGOs and farmers, to discuss these challenges and agree on scaling collaborative actions to achieve the sustainable development goals in Asia. [Registration.](#)

**2018 WBCSD LIAISON DELEGATE MEETING 16 to 19 April 2018 Montreux, Switzerland.** Our [Liaison Delegate Meeting](#) will bring together over 400 sustainability professionals from all sectors and geographies to learn about new trends, explore innovative tools and implement collaborative solutions that will drive performance while delivering on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). **Password: montreux2018.**

**WATER LOSS CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION 2018** The IWA Water Loss Specialist Group, together with City Of Cape Town, will host the biennial Water Loss Conference and Exhibit from **7 to 9 May 2018 at the Century City Conference Centre and Hotel in Cape Town, South Africa.** The Water Loss Conference and Exhibition 2018 will be one of the

world's largest water loss conferences and is expected to attract over 500 participants from more than 50 countries. [Website.](#)

## TELL US WHAT YOUR INTEREST AREAS ARE

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***The NBI's two main focus areas are: Social and Economic Transformation***

GREEN ECONOMY

WATER

CLIMATE ADAPTATION

CLIMATE FINANCE

CLIMATE MITIGATION

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

BIODIVERSITY

WASTE

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

SOCIAL & ETHICS ISSUES

ANTI-CORRUPTION

HUMAN RIGHTS

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