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DAY ONE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SOCIAL SECTOR SUMMIT – “FOSTERING SOCIAL COHESION TO ENABLE SOCIO-ECONOMIC PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITIES”

Thursday, 04 August 2022 marked day one of the Presidential Social Sector Summit. The Summit, which is hosted at the Birchwood Conference Centre in Ekurhuleni Gauteng, guided by the theme: “Fostering Social Cohesion to Enable Socio-Economic Participation in Communities” was attended by delegates from all nine provinces, NEDLAC Constituencies, Provincial and Government Official, Government Agencies officials and various National Civil Society Organisations.

Minister Lindiwe Zulu officially opened the Summit and described the Summit as “a great milestone in realizing a responsive social sector in South Africa” Addressing delegates in attendance of a two-day summit, the Minister said that this Summit marks the intentions of the South African Government to immediately improve the interface between Government and the social sector. She said the Presidential Social Sector Summit also seeks to establish a formula upon which the sustainability of a longer-term people-public-private-civic-academic-multilateral partnership can be defined.

She further said: “Taking a long-range view of the challenges that government and the sector are continuously addressing in communities should amount in the effective removal of the developmental barriers that the people are unnecessarily made to navigate through in their journey to realise their respective aspirations and self-defined futures. Therefore, the outcomes of our improved interface and collective interventions should be the enhanced quality of active-citizenship, increased quality of the lives of majority of our people in our communities and showcase dignity in the lives of most people.”

Delegates also had an opportunity in five Commissions

- Commission one – Resource Mobilisation facilitated by the South African Youth Council.
- Commission two – Transformation and job Creation facilitated by the Women’s National Coalition.
- Commission three – Capacity Building Facilitated by the National Development Agency
- Commission four – Regulatory framework Facilitated by NPO Legal Practitioners
- Commission five – Community Development Facilitated by Social Development



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