

Cutting Red Tape to Improve the Business Environment

Background:

A priority being expressed by the new government is creating an environment for economic and business development by cutting red tape. A three day course with accreditation at level 5 is offered on "cutting red tape", a course developed and piloted in South Africa and Tanzania together with our German partners, InWEnt

The aim of this training is to help local actors, notably business and government to understand the importance of improving the business environment in their areas, and in particular the necessity to improve the regulatory framework for enterprise development. In addition the training emphasises the importance of fostering public-private dialogue as a means to sustain continuous improvements in the business environment (BE).

Approach:

This three-day workshop is highly interactive. The facilitator will present concepts and guide discussion, but participants will be encouraged and expected to contribute to group learning by linking the concepts discussed with their own work experience. Specific learning methods include short PowerPoint presentations, group work exercises, case studies, and participatory activities in plenary.

"The team from MXA are very thorough & extremely knowledgeable. The programme is very stimulating & has given me a wealth of knowledge"

Anushka Makka,
uThungulu District Municipality

Audience:

This course is aimed at government officials at middle to executive level of management who are involved in issues pertaining to LED and the business environment (BE).

Outcomes:

By the end of this course, participants will be able to demonstrate the following competencies:

- An understanding of the meaning of the BE
- A knowledge of the different approaches to Improving the BE
- An understanding of the meaning of Red Tape
- An understanding of the connections between good governance & the BE
- How to design a basic survey on business perceptions of the BE
- How to involve Local Government and Business in Cutting Red Tape
- How to plan actions to Improve the BE
- Presentation skills using cards and display sheets
- A knowledge of the resources available for Improving the BE

Accreditation:

Participants attending this course can choose to be accredited for Unit Standard 110494, "Apply a range of research methodologies to support the design and implementation of (a) local economic development project(s) in own work context" and may be registered for 8 credits towards a qualification at level 5 of the National Qualifications Framework, in Local Economic Development.

Entrance Requirements:

Participants who wish to be assessed must have Matric (FETC or equivalent qualification), and/or 5 years of relevant work experience. Learners should also be competent in Communication (NQF 4) and Computer Literacy (NQF 3). For those who do not want to be assessed there are no entry requirements.

Important Information for Cutting Red Tape

Entrance Requirements:

Participants must have a matric or at least 3 years experience in Local Government to attend this training and receive accreditation

Accreditation:

McIntosh Xaba and Associates (MXA) is accredited by the Local Government SETA as a service provider for this learnership. Our accreditation number is LG756P.

Venue:

The MXA training venue at 195 Umhlanga Rocks, Durban North, KZN. Alternatively with a group of 15 or more learners in your area interested in doing the training, we could run it at a venue that suits you. Please call us to discuss the option that suits you.

Cost:

The cost to attend this 3 day course is R4350 excluding VAT per person (this includes all learning materials, assessment, lunches and teas during the training as well as learner support). If there are 3 or more people attending from one municipality or organisation a discount of 10% is given.

If you would like us to run this training in your municipality, district or province we can do this at a greatly discounted rate. Please let us know if you would like a quote for this.

Registration:

A maximum of 25 places is available. Payments to: Std Bank cheque account 051276577, Musgrave Rd Branch; **Reference: Surname/ organisation/ municipality/ dept. Please fax/ email a proof of payment.**

Contact:

Sne Makhanya, sne@mx.co.za Tel: 031 811 6855 or BK Dlamini bk@mx.co.za Tel: 031 563 4335 Fax: 031 563 4334

Accommodation:

Limited accommodation at the venue is available at Tudor House Inn R550 per night (including dinner, bed and breakfast).

See www.tudorhouseinn.co.za, or call 031 811 5394 / 072 563 7621

To register for the Cutting Red Tape, please fill in the following brief form in full:

Name:	Designation:
Title:	Organisation / Municipality:
Postal Add:	Telephone:
Email:	Cell phone:
Fax:	Municipal Order Number:
ID Number:	VAT Number:
Highest Level of Education:	Special Dietary Requirements:
Details of person who will process payment: (Name, email, phone/fax number)	
Do you have any experience in the topic?	