

Feedback on Recent Events

Skills Development and Retention: HIV and AIDS

HIV & AIDS Steering Committee training

- On Thursday, 15 July 2010, the HIV & AIDS Steering Committee training was held at B&M Analysts.
- The workshop was very well attended by the member firms participating in the programme.
- The facilitator of the training was Christy Joy of Zoe- Life, who has been appointed by SABCOHA to manage this component of the initiative.

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The training was excellent and we gained more knowledge

HIV & AIDS Champions Training

- The training for the HIV & AIDS Champions took place on 23 July 2010.
- The session was also held at B&M Analysts, and was again very well attended by representatives from the participating member firms. The attendees range from top managers to operators.
- Christy Joy of Zoe – Life again facilitated the session.

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SME Incubation Programme

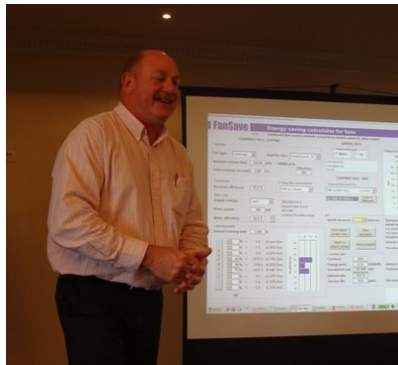
- The second phase of the DCC SME Incubation Programme has been finalised. This phase of the programme entailed undertaking Business Viability Studies for each of the five participating firms, and compiling reports for each assessment.
- The key findings that emerge from the reports will form the basis for future interventions and support for the firms involved in the Incubation Programme.

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Energy Stakeholder Forum

- The latest Energy Stakeholder Forum session was held of 21 July.
- Prashunt Lutchman and Rajay Ramgoolam, both of Eskom, undertook presentations.
- The topics covered included Demand Side Management (DSM) and the tariff hikes.
- There was a robust and healthy debate during the session. This was supported by the feedback received from participants who indicated that the session was engaging and informative.

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Energy Efficiency Club

- A workshop as part of the Energy Efficiency Programme was held on 21 July 2010.
- The workshop dealt with technical training on Motors and Variable Speed Drives, with the presentation including a focus on motor running costs and controllers.
- The presenters included Dave Mercer from WSP and Neville Hazell from ABB.

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Benchmarking Programme

- Additional firms have committed to participating in the benchmarking programme, as well as receiving the firm-level WCM session.
- In addition, those firms that were involved in the initial pilot phase of the programme are currently preparing for their second firm-level benchmarking exercise.
- The DCC is also currently looking at scheduling a 'best practice' factory tour to a non-DCC member firm for management from member firms involved in the programme.

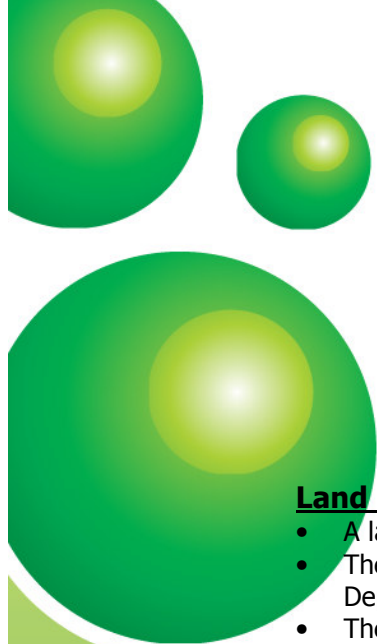
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Planned Activities

Municipality Compliance

- A workshop is planned for August, focusing on increasing the knowledge and understanding of DCC member firms in relation to REACH.

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Land Usage Strategy and Area Management

- A land usage strategy session is being planned for late August 2010.
- The session will involve representatives from the eThekweni Development and Planning Department who will present on issues related to industry land allocation and zoning.
- The workshop will also provide an opportunity for Portnet to present an update of their current and future projects.

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Health and Safety Forum

- Health and Safety forum will host a workshop on Behaviour Based Safety (BBS) in August 2010.

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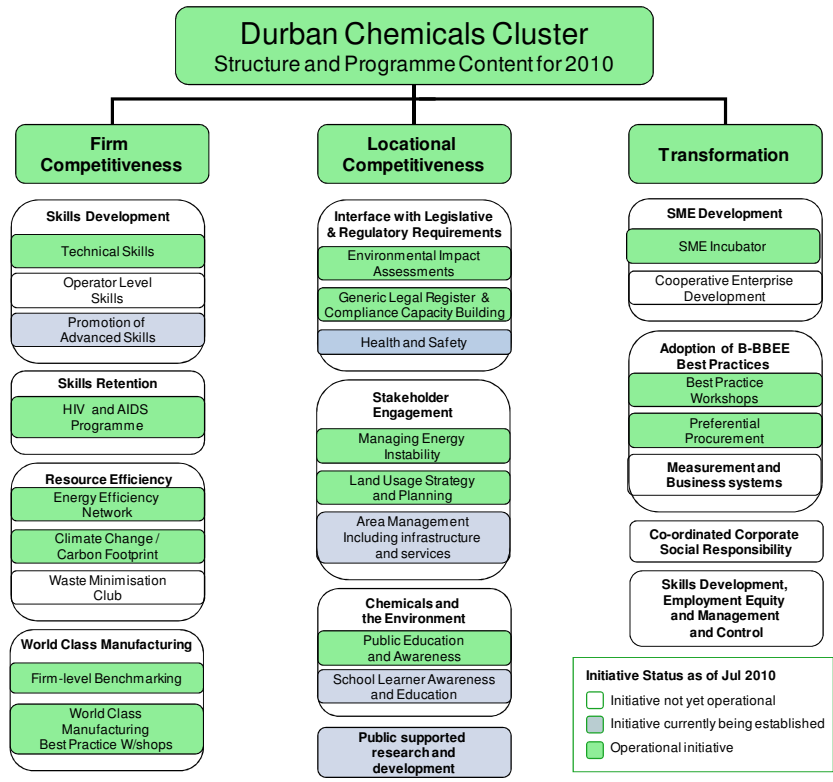
SME Incubation Programme

- The third phase of the DCC SME Incubation Programme will commence during August.
- This phase will involve the participating SME's undergoing Business Plan Training. The details of the training will be communicated to firms shortly.

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DCC Programme

- The schematic below provides an updated overview of the DCC programme.



African Industry News Articles and Pieces

THE OIL BOOST IS TIMELY FOR GHANA

Source: The Banker

Date: 06/07/2010

http://www.thebanker.com/news/fullstory.php/aid/7441/The_oil_boost_is_timely_for_Ghana.html?current_page=NO_PAGE

AFRICA PROSPECTS LURE INVESTORS, BUT IS IT READY?

Source: Reuters Africa

Date: 07/07/2010

<http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJQE66601X20100707?sp=true>

FUEL CRISIS: STILL WAITING FOR PRIVATE REFINERIES

Source: Daily Sun

Date: 12/07/2010

<http://www.sunnewsonline.com/webpages/news/businessnews/2010/july/12/bussines--12-2010-001.htm>

SINOPEC ADDAX STRIKES OIL AT NIGERIAN BLOCK

Source: Reuters Africa

Date: 12/07/2010

<http://af.reuters.com/article/investingNews/idAFJQE66B00P20100712>

SINOPEC, MARUBENI JOIN HANDS FOR PETROCHEM PROJECTS

Source: China Daily

Date: 14/07/2010

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english2010/china/2010-07/14/c_13399407.htm

CHEMSPEC ATTRIBUTES FULL-YEAR LOSS TO FACTORY FIRE

Source: Business Report

Date: 14/07/2010

<http://www.busrep.co.za/index.php?fArticleId=5554023&fSectionId=563&fSetId=662>

TOTAL S.A. WIDENS AFRICAN FOOTPRINT

Source: Zacks

Date: 16/07/2010

<http://www.zacks.com/stock/news/37052/Total+S.A.+Widens+African+Footprint>

THREE NIGERIAN REFINERIES PLANNED FOR BUILDING

Source: Baltimorenews.net

Date: 18/07/2010

<http://www.baltimorenews.net/story/661202>

AECI PLANS 'SMALL' ACQUISITIONS, TARGETS CHEMICAL COMPANIES, EDWARDS SAYS

Source: Bloomberg

Date: 28/07/2010

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2010-07-28/aeci-plans-small-acquisitions-targets-chemical-companies-edwards-says.html>

SOUTH AFRICA: SMALL FIRMS KEEN ON DOWNSTREAM OIL ASSETS

Source: AllAfrica.com

Date: 28/07/2010

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201007280130.html>