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## DM SWARTS ANTICIPATES A COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE DPWI AND SAIBPP TO CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE PROPERTY SECTOR

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The Department of Public Works and Infrastructure Deputy Minister Bernice Swarts has expressed concern about a few number of black professional valuers, in a field that she says "is still dominated by white people many of whom are retiring because of age." The DM was delivering a keynote address on skills development, transformation and economic challenges in the property sector, at a President's dinner hosted by the South African Institute of Black Property Practitioners (SAIBPP) in Sandton on 4 April 2024.

The gathering held under the theme "Empowering Tomorrow's Property Leaders Today", is an annual fundraising event aimed at raising funds towards the SAIBPP's education and training initiatives. The event also sought to raise R10 million for the property sector. In her speech, Deputy Minister Swarts said she would like to see more black people providing expertise and services in Facilities Management.



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### DPWI'S ENGAGEMENT WITH THE PRESIDENCY



The Accounting Officers' engagement between The Presidency and the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) was held on 4 April 2024 at the Union Buildings in Pretoria where DPWI Director-General Mr Sifiso Mdakane assured the Senior Management Team of The Presidency of the DPWI's commitment to resolving issues raised with his office.

The DG was accompanied by DDG: IGR Mr Adam Mthombeni, Acting DDG: CPM Mr Nkosana Kubeka, Acting DDG FM Ms Lebo Maredi, CD Legal Mr Chris Makgoba and CD Prestige Mr Mzwandile Sazona.



## Media Invitation

Minister Zizi Kodwa cordially invites Media to join the Celebration of Freedom Month launch and 30 Years of Democracy!

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