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## Lesotho Women of Character Summit

### **A networking platform for Inspiring women and powerful conversation at this year's GBR Women of Character Summit**

On the 7<sup>th</sup> of September 2019 at the Manthabiseng Convention Centre in Lesotho, women from around Africa will convene for the Global Women of Character (WoC) Summit. Under the theme *Arise and Shine: there is strength and wisdom in the storm* this Global Business Roundtable (GBR) event will focus on achieving economic growth through the empowerment of women.

Featuring a powerful line-up of speakers, the all-day event brings delegates from around the African continent and the world together to network, build relations and facilitate opportunities for women to be able to make a difference and impact the society.

GBR is hosting the WoC Summit for the 9<sup>th</sup> consecutive year and has a diverse membership drawn from all sectors of our society. The GBR began with 12 people in August 2009 and has now grown to a membership of over 30 000 members across various continents and countries including South Africa, USA, Spain, Swaziland, Lesotho and Mozambique.

The purpose of the Women of Character(WoC) department is to empower women holistically through: entrepreneurship development, marital and parental development and spiritual development. More than 1000 Women from across the African continent and the globe are expected to attend this conference. This year's summit seeks to help women realise the strength they have within, in order to rise above any type of storm and live a victorious, purpose-driven and fulfilling happy life.

The programme features three plenary sessions. The keynote address will be done by Her Majesty the Queen of Lesotho. The first session focuses on achieving inclusive growth for economic empowerment. The delegates will also be addressed by the Honourable Minister of gender, youth, sports and recreation, Dr Mahali Phamotse. She will be joined by **MEC of**

**Treasury from the Free State Province, South Africa** discussing Women in Politics & Public Office and Lebogang Motsane who brings the voice of women in business to the table.

The second plenary session entitled Women, Trade and Investment will feature Mrs Likeleli Monyamany and Mrs Moea from Lesotho in conversation about effectively using income streams, Mrs Petronella Chigara Didima from Zimbabwe looking at building strategic relationships in business and Mrs Helena Roets (Netherlands) discussing opportunities in agriculture.

The final session looks to education and personal and spiritual development. Nedbank's Ms Da Silva will discuss women and the law focusing on family and business, Ms Ekrah Ndungu from Kenya turns to education, Pastor Sharon Gazu (SA) discusses abuse and harassment and Ms Vanessa Williams from USA looks at personal development and self-mastery.

After a full day of discussion the WOC Summit will end with the GBR Women of Character Gospel Concert featuring the immense talents of Judith Sephuma and Lebo Sekgobela along with the FTG Men's Worship Team, Mookho Moqhali, GBR Worship Team, Kingdom Classics and Philile Chonco.

For more information on the programme and tickets please contact: <http://www.wocsummit.com> or Ms Philile Nchonco on +27 83 330 7156 or [philile@globalbusinessroundtable.com](mailto:philile@globalbusinessroundtable.com)

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