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GLOBAL COMPETITION EXPERTS IN SA FOR ANNUAL COMPETITION POLICY CONFERENCE

Local and international policy experts, economic consultants, scholars, lawyers and academics are gathered in Johannesburg this week for the 11th annual Competition Law, Economics & Policy Conference hosted by the Competition Commission in partnership with the Competition Tribunal which starts in earnest tomorrow Thursday 31 August.

Speakers at the conference will include the Deputy President, Cyril Ramaphosa; the Minister of Economic Development, Ebrahim Patel; and the Commissioner of the Competition Commission of South Africa, Tembinkosi Bonakele; Judge President of the Competition Appeal Court, Justice Dennis Davies, among others. There will also be speakers and panellists from the EU, USA, Russia, Australia Kenya, Swaziland, Zambia and Mauritius.

The theme for this year's conference is "The Future of Competition Policy". Topics under discussion will focus on international cartels and enforcement as well as big data and algorithms in relation to collusion and competition law, among other topics. The conference will also discuss the critical role played by regulators and micro-economic tools, like the Commission, in turning the economy around.

The Commission is also set to sign a cooperation agreement with the Fair Trading Commission of Seychelles which forms part of multilateral competition initiatives, with particular attention to the fight against international hard core cartels.

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