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DWS to host South African Youth Water Prize 2017 competition

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) will host the annual South African Youth Water Prize (SAYWP) on Friday, 02 June 2017 at Manhattan Hotel, Pretoria.

The **SAYWP** is one of the projects that the DWS is implementing in its education programme called 2020 Vision for Water Education Programme. This project is aimed at educating Grade 9-11 learners about efficient use of water and protection of water resources.

On Friday, learners from all nine provinces will compete against each for a bigger prize that will see the winner going to represent the country at the Stockholm Junior Water Prize in Sweden, where they will test their abilities against winners from 30 countries.

During the competition, learners will make presentations to the Adjudication Committee on their water saving innovations.

SAYWP was launched in 1999 as a collaborative science and technology based project between DWS and the Stockholm Water Foundation. The competition begins at provincial level and then proceeds to national level.

Members of the Media are invited as follows:

Date: Friday, 02 June 2017

Time: 08:00

Venue: Manhattan Hotel, Pretoria

To RSVP, please contact Andile Tshona on 073 566 3345 or TshonaA@dws.gov.za

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