

# MEDIA ADVISORY

## DWS to host a SADC River Basin Organisation workshop

### 19 May 2017

The Department of Water and Sanitation in partnership with Southern African Development Community (SADC) will host the 7<sup>th</sup> River Basin Organisation (RBO) workshop to promote the sharing and exchange of experiences in implementing the Revised SADC Shared Watercourse Protocol.

This workshop will be held for over three days with the aim to address water challenges in the SADC region. The RBO secretaries, commissioners and stakeholders will also discuss the importance of investing in water resources quality management in the region to maintain healthy, including sharing practices on water quality management in the region.

The economic development potential of the SADC region is defined by the availability of water which leads to food security.

The outcomes of the workshop will contribute to towards the SADC guidelines on implementing the Revised Shared Watercourses.

### Members of the Media are invited as follows:

Date: 22 May 2017

Time: 09:00

Venue: Riverside Sun Hotel, Vanderbijlpark

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