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KZN FINANCE MEC TO PARTICIPATE IN A PANEL DISCUSSION AT THE 5TH GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON THE ELIMINATION OF CHILD LABOUR

KwaZulu-Natal Finance MEC Nomusa Dube-Ncube will, this afternoon, be part of a high-level thematic panel discussion at the 5th Global Conference on the Elimination of Child Labour.

The panel will be made up of an assortment of global leaders in politics, finance and non-governmental organization and will be discussing how governments can finance the elimination of child labour.

Furthermore, this thematic panel will explore how to mobilize financial resources to make the generational investment required. Speakers will address topics such as securing domestic public resources, including how to leverage public spending in areas such as education and social protection for child labour elimination, international development cooperation, debt sustainability, domestic and international private business and finance, international trade as an engine for child labour elimination.

Panellists will discuss the critical question of how to improve access to credit and other financial services in affected communities, especially among women. The objective of the panel is to discuss the required mechanisms and framework to mobilize sustainable financing, and to improve coordination and strengthen partnerships between governments, social partners, development partners, international financial institutions and the private sector.

"This is a very critical issue that needs all hands on deck. The public purse is powerful enough to enact a change to eliminate child labour through innovative policy formulation," said Dube-Ncube ahead of the panel discussion. The panel to join MEC Dube-Ncube include Cecile Billaux, Plamen Dimitrov, Stephen Jackson, Bobbi Gray, Callistus Vern Gill, Maninder Gill, Bright Wireko-Brobby and Rie Vejs-Kjeldgaard.

Thematic Panel 18 May 2022 14:45 - 16:30 Second stage, Durban ICC

The event will also be streamed live on the KZN Treasury Facebook page.

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