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# Water Use efficiency in the Agri-processing Sector in South Africa: Practices, Challenges and Opportunities

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**Opening remarks by John Purchase** 





- **1. Increasingly stressed resource**
- 2. Access to water supply and sanitation
- 3. Human rights to water and the 2030 SDG's Agenda
- 4. Governance of water
- 5. Economic dimensions
- 6. Rural poverty and Urban settlement
- 7. Regional perspectives Focus also on Africa:
  - global population growth to 2050 will be 2,2 billion, 1,3 billion from Africa
  - Africa's water challenges immense.





# National Water & Sanitation Master Plan Valuing Water Dignifying Sanitation

### Presentation to Provincial Consultation Workshop: KZN Preparation for the Water and Sanitation Operation Phakisa

### 18 March 2019

Presented by: Tendani Nditwani Project Manager: NW&SMP

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## **Content of NW&SMP**

- The National Water and Sanitation Master Plan (NW&SMP) is a "Call to Action". It seeks to rally all Water Sector Stakeholders in South Africa to work together to address the challenges confronting the Water and Sanitation Sector
- The Plan enable the achievement of the targets set out in the National Development Plan (NDP) Vision for 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG Goal 6 2030), of affordable and reliable access to sufficient and safe water and hygienic sanitation for socio-economic growth and well-being, with due regard to the environment
- The Plan is also geared for the 5 key Strategic Pillars of the Department.
  - Pillar 1 National Water Resources and Services Authority
  - Pillar 2 National Water Resources and Services Regulator
  - Pillar 3 Water Resources and Services Value Chain
  - Pillar 4 Water Resources and Services Master Plan
  - Pillar 5 Institutional Rationalisation and Organisational Alignment

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Two markets that pull the Agricultural Value Chain (AVC):

1. High value exports

2. Agro-processing



### Rapid Rise in Value of Agriculture Exports (High-value Products)



- Agriculture exports have outperformed agro-processing. Due to strong focus on agro-processing, industry has convinced government to treat exports of high-value produce also under agro-processing
- Preference of agro-processing (i.e. manufacturing) over primary agriculture should not exclude the labour-intensive high-value export orientated industries
- Technological sophistication, R&D, packaging, temperature and disease control, computerised logistics, etc. in producing a fresh orange or avocado for foreign market often outstrips that of orange juice or avocado oil (Cramer and Sender, 2015)



Source: Quantec, 2016.

## SA's Agricultural imports, exports & trade balance



South Africa's agricultural exports by region



# But Water critical to both!

Today we focus on water use efficiency in the Agro-processing sector, and why this sector needs to rethink its water strategy and water security.

Please participate!



#### Agenda:

9.30-10.00	Welcome coffee	
10.00-10.15	Opening remarks Water use in agribusiness and agri-processing in South Africa: trends and challenges	Dr. John Purchase, Chief Executive, Agbiz

#### Session 1: Water efficiency technologies, practices and research

Moderator: Dr. John Purchase, Agbiz

10.15-10.45		g water use in agri-processing: practices and success stories	Alexander Larionov, Program Lead, IFC Raymond Greig, Resource Efficiency Specialist, IFC
10.45-11.20	Africa	gement scenarios for South Adoption of best water efficiency practices by private sector: challenges and opportunities	Prof. Andries Jordaan
	13.00-14.00	Lunch	
11.20-11.40	•	roducing and distributing on the Steenkoppies Aquifer in	Prof. Michael van der Laan, University of Pretoria
11.40-12.00	Water efficiency solution industry	ns for the pulp and paper	Samantha Choles, PAMSA
12.00-12.20	Water efficiency solution	ns for the beverage sector	Jacques Rossouw, Group Environmental Sustainability Manager, Distell
12.20-13.00	Panel discussion:		
	Adoption of best water e private sector: challenge	fficiency practices by the s and opportunities	
13.00-14.00	Lunch		



#### Session 2: Water use policy, regulations and public-private dialogue

Moderator: Aref Adamali, Senior Private Sector specialist, IFC

14.00-14.30	Regulatory challenges and opportunities in the water space: licensing, standards on reuse and recycling and their impact on agri-processing	Theo Boshoff, Manager, Legal, Agbiz
14.30-14.50	Policy dialogue and public-private coordination for the Western Cape drought response: a case-study from the beverage sector	Jacques Rossouw, Group Environmental Sustainability Manager, Distell
14.50-15.10	A community farming project in Alexandria: collective action towards environmental and social impact	Violet Phala, Molobanyane Cooperative
15.10-16.00	Panel discussion: Improving the regulatory environment for efficient water use at the regional and local level	
16.00-16.15	Wrap-up	Dr. John Purchase, Chief Executive, Agbiz

