BACKGROUND

A course for public sector officials, development agencies and sustainability managers, whose jobs entail an understanding of the green economy within their sphere of work.

The interactive course is designed to deepen the theoretical and practical knowledge of green industrial policy in the South African context.

The course will enable participants to:

- gain a thorough grasp of the key green economy concepts and principles
- understand the ways in which the green economy can be applied
- better understand the policy framework and available policy instruments for advancing an inclusive green economy transition
- analyse and understand the impacts of the green economy on their respective areas of work
- be equipped to understand their sector of work in terms of identifying and unlocking the green economy opportunities
- identify and overcome the barriers and trade-offs to the transition to an inclusive green economy

COURSE OUTLINE

1. Understanding the inclusive green economy and its key concepts and principles
   The workshop takes a journey through the origin and relevance of the inclusive green economy and related concepts, and how these form part of a sustainable development framework. This provides the theoretical background for participants’ understanding of an inclusive green economy.

2. Developing green industrial policy
   In the context of promoting a transition to an inclusive green economy in South Africa, the workshop discussed the framework for green industrial policy, its tools and instruments, as well as the trade-offs associated with it. This enables participants to understand the policy context and the instruments for advancing the inclusive green economy transition.

3. Identifying and unlocking green economy opportunities
   Based on practical and interactive application to sectors, such as energy, transport, agriculture and even mining, the workshop explores the tools for identifying and unlocking green economy opportunities in a sustainable fashion. This demonstrates the real opportunities for advancing an inclusive green economy.

4. Understanding the socio-economic impacts of identified interventions
   Based on practical and interactive application of the Socio-Economic Impact Assessment System (SEIAS) methodology, the workshop explores how to improve the sustainability (from an economic, social and environmental perspective) of green industrial policy. This provides the tools and skills to foster the inclusivity of the green economy.
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