

Building Leadership in Regional Economic Development

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Regional economic development is the sustained, concerted actions of policymakers, businesses and communities that promote the economic health of a specific geographic region. It is increasingly recognised as a critical area of intervention; South Africa needs to develop a clear approach and set of regional economic development instruments and tools designed to raise living standards and create more employment.

The course is intended to put regional economic leadership on the national agenda. It also seeks to consolidate a network of regional economic leaders in Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal and the Western Cape and to provide a stronger common intellectual base to support regional economic development processes in South Africa. The course will contribute to this by setting up a dialogue between leading international and national thought leaders in the field and local public and private sector leaders to reflect on local and global practice and how regional economic development



capabilities can be built in South Africa.

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