

# DEPARTMENT: AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & FISHERIES

## SKILLS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REPORT

Forestry Indaba

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# FORESTRY



## ⑩ Short term

- Standardise training for contractors and sub-contractors
- Revive Skills Development Forum Committee to coordinate the implementation of the Indaba resolutions relating to skills development
- FIETA to train 1 500 Fire Protection Association members across the country, starting in Northern Cape
- Utilise Career Exhibitions to raise the profile of forestry as a career option – target rural areas
- FIETA to initiate a Grass-roots campaign aimed at raising the profile of forestry as a career
- Align all training with FIETA training programmes

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## Medium term

- Roll out of integration of forestry into the school curriculum, starting with the primary phase (20/20 Vision). Material developed.
- Initiate study to review and align tertiary institutions' forestry curriculum to address the needs of the forestry sector
- FIETA to improve its quality assurance mechanisms to ensure quality of training provided (accredited service providers)
- Develop a skills retention strategy for the Forestry Sector

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### Long term

- Develop and implement joint programmes to address skills development issues