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Presidential Social Sector Summit

The Presidential Social Sector Summit will take place between 04-05 August 2022. The theme for the Summit is: ***“Fostering Social Cohesion to enable socio-economic participation in communities.”*** Inyathelo received the concept document and programme for the Summit as well as a letter of invitation on Friday 29 July 2022. [See Concept Document and Programme.](#)

We have been informed that a weblink to the deliberations of the Summit will be made available. We are awaiting the details of the link and will send it out as soon as it is received.

About the Summit

The Social Sector Summit has been convened to recognise the role played by civil society organisations in South Africa’s liberation from apartheid and for the role they continue to play in all sectors of society. The planned Summit is the result of the commitment made by the President in his 2022 State of the Nation Address, where he highlighted the role, that civil society plays in supporting Government in the delivery of services to vulnerable communities.

The President in his State of the Nation address called for the restoration of trust, communication and collaboration between government, the private sector, and social

partners. The outcome envisaged for the Summit is a stronger partnership between the State, Business and Civil Society Organisations in addressing social challenges faced by South Africans. Thematic areas that will be examined at the Summit include:

1. The cooperation between government, business and civil society to advance the development agenda of South Africa ;
2. The sustainability of civil society and participation in the Covid economic recovery strategy;
3. The Regulation and Transformation of the sector;
4. Regional and global experiences and linkages;
5. The role of the Civil Society Sector in advancing the objectives of the developmental State;
6. Resource Mobilisation and Job Creation

The Summit is seen as one of several endeavours that will work towards the formulation of a Social Compact. The Summit aims to develop a Social Sector Framework Agreement.