

ESG South Africa is showcasing at COP18 - are you?

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The [4th edition of ESG South Africa](#) is scheduled to be launched at COP18 in Doha, Qatar in November 2012. There, the publication will be handed to international delegates and dignitaries who are gathering to discuss issues around climate change. The previous three issues have been distributed at COP17 and Rio+20, as well as the [Smart Cities Summit launch event](#) which took place in Durban earlier this year. This targeted international distribution at COP18 will complement the 10 000 copies of *ESG South Africa* that is sent to JSE-listed entities, national and provincial government and other senior decision-makers within South Africa's borders.

ESG South Africa is endorsed and will be handed out at COP18 by the Department of Environmental Affairs. Blessing Manale, Deputy Director General: Awareness, Campaign and Outreach, said the Qatar edition will highlight the year that South Africa held the COP chair and the publication will offer participating organisations the opportunity to show what they have achieved in this year.

The publication is backed by prominent governmental figures, including Edna Molewa, Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs, and President Jacob Zuma. In this year's budget speech, Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan announced that R845 billion has to be spent on energy infrastructure, transport, logistics, housing, telecommunications and water over the next three years. The upcoming issue of *ESG South Africa* centres around five main features, namely sustainable tourism in Africa, responsible investing, renewable energy projects in Africa, educating Africa and transport and logistics investment roll-out.

The new transport feature shows how South Africa has undertaken the largest logistics infrastructure roll-out in recent memory. Boosting capacity in all areas of rail, road and port convergence, public entities are investing in this sector to grow the country and its GDP in one motion. We speak to key roleplayers in national and provincial government and then top corporate executives to be able to bring you in-depth analysis of this sector. *ESG South Africa* breaks down this massive and critical sector into its component parts to allow opinion from industry experts.

Energy is the backbone to our industrial and economic survival. Championing the sustainability cause, *ESG South Africa* explores how building smartly saves energy and how the country's energy mix is changing through the REIPP preferred bidders. *ESG South Africa* also explores how power producers and ancillary services are planning for the predicted escalation in energy demand.

If your organisation is interested in shining the light on your sustainability initiatives, products or services on a local and global scale, then do not miss being featured in the upcoming issue of *ESG South Africa*. For any further information on the distribution of [ESG South Africa](#) or the Smart Cities Summit, contact our editorial team:

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