

Trinational SDGs Localization and VLR Capacity building workshop 4 to 6 February 2025



**SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

**Rustenburg
Local Municipality**



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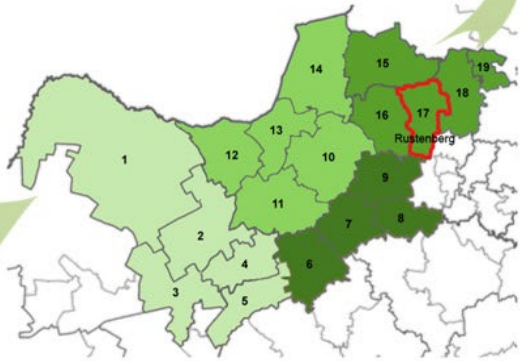
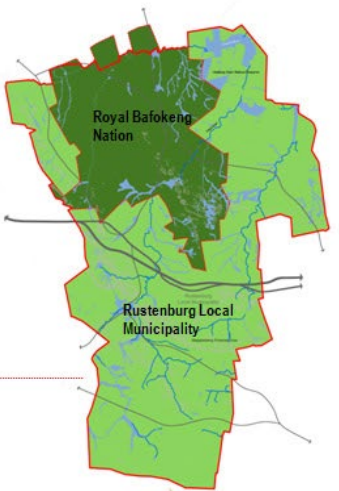
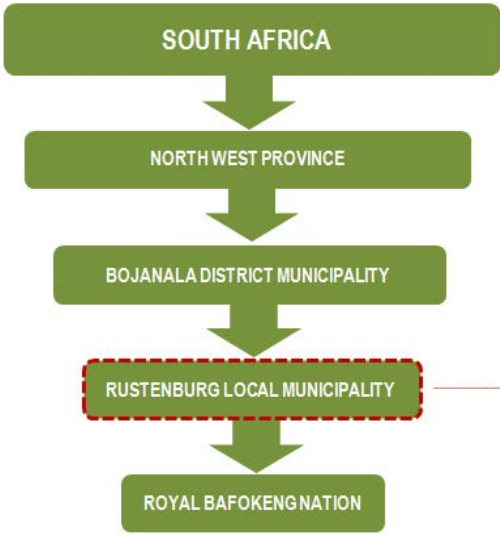
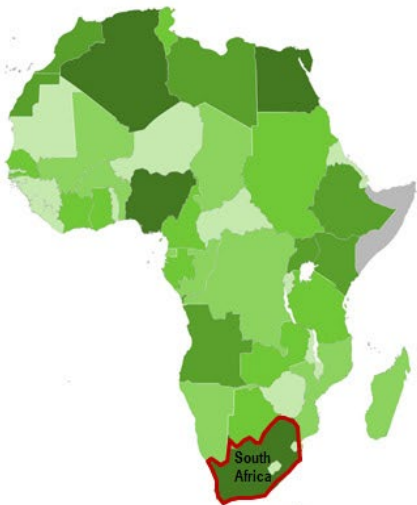


1. Overview of the Municipality

► Geographical Context

- ✓ Rustenburg Local Municipality (RLM) is a category B municipality within the North-West Province.
- ✓ The North West Province has a geographical area of 116,180 km² with 4 District municipalities and 21 Locals.
- ✓ RLM is located in the Bojanala District Municipality. The total geographical area of the RLM is 3,423 km².
- ✓ 292 332 Males and 269 744 female population split
- ✓ RLM has 3 recognised traditional authorities namely: The Bakwena Ba Mogopa, Bakubung ba Mathope and the Royal Bafokeng Nation, (RBN), the traditional tribal community of the region is a key stakeholder in RLM's future. The Royal Bafokeng Nation occupies over 1500 km² of land located north of RLM.





1. Overview of the municipality – Population by age and gender

Age	Males	Percentage Males	Females	Percentage Females
85+	431	0.1	1024	0.2
80-84	662	0.1	1289	0.2
75-79	1483	0.3	2118	0.4
70-74	2558	0.5	3197	0.6
65-69	4817	0.9	5129	0.9
60-64	7750	1.4	8040	1.4
55-59	12040	2.1	10008	1.8
50-54	14347	2.6	12027	2.1
45-49	18936	3.4	15148	2.7
40-44	26679	4.7	20275	3.6
35-39	31122	5.5	26070	4.6
30-34	30594	5.4	29857	5.3
25-29	26947	4.8	27173	4.8
20-24	23298	4.1	21502	3.8
15-19	19655	3.5	19210	3.4
10-14	22073	3.9	21468	3.8
05- 09	21433	3.8	21098	3.8
0-4	27507	4.9	25111	4.5



Total Population of RLM is 562031: STATSSA Census 2022



2. Governance Structure

- ▶ The political leadership of the Municipality is organized based on legislative and executive functions, i.e., the legislative function is the responsibility of Council and its committees, led by the Council Speaker, supported by the Single Whip of Council.
- ▶ The administrative function is carried by municipal management led by the Municipal Manager supported by 8 appointed directors.
- ▶ Directorates are aligned to allocated powers and functions to enhance service delivery to communities.
- ▶ Council has 90 seats split equally between 45 ward Councillors and proportional representation Councillors.
- ▶ The Executive Mayor appointed a Mayoral Committee from among elected Councillors in terms of Section 80 of the Municipal Structure's Act as amended



Economy

- The RLM's leading economic sector is mining (61.1%), with government and community, social, and personal services in second place (11.1%) (Greenbook).
- Mining contributes 64.2% to the GVA of the district, 57.2% of the province, and almost 14% of the country (Rustenburg IDP, 2020).
- Although agriculture, forestry, and fisheries contribute less than 1% of the municipal economy (GreenBook), the existing Land Use Plan for RLM indicates that agricultural land covers about 150 km² (or 86%) of land within the Central Planning Area (Rustenburg IMP, 2015).
- Most of these are in the north around Bospoort Dam which comprises several ridges/koppies, and the central hill areas (PHSHDA, 2022).
- The ridges to the south form part of the Magaliesberg Mountain Range, which, is the most prominent environmental asset within the municipality.



ALIGNMENT OF IDP TO SDGs

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL

- 6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
- 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all
- 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
- 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable

NDP	MASTER PLAN GOALS	STRATEGIC PRIORITY	OBJECTIVES/STRATEGIC THRUSTS	KPI/TARGETS	OUTCOMES
NDP OBJECTIVES: 1. The proportion of h/h with access to electricity: 90.0% by 2030 2. All people have access to clean portable water by 2030 3. Increase the proportion of people using better quality	GOAL 3: City of smart livable homes	2. Efficient Provision of quality Basic Services and Infrastructure within a well-planned Spatial Structure	2.1 Provide quality, cost effective, reliable services and infrastructure based on Integrated spatial planning 2.2 Accelerate infrastructure maintenance and refurbishment. 2.3 Promote protection of public assets and the environment through education	% of H/H with access to basic levels of services: water; sanitation; electricity and solid waste removal. % of H/H earning less than R3 500 per month with access to FBS	6. An efficient, competitive, and responsive economic infrastructure network 8. Sustainable human settlements and improved quality of household

Efforts to raise awareness on SDGs and the VLR process

- ▶ Item to Council - Item 12 of the 31st January 2024
- ▶ Engagement with internal and External Stakeholders - 16 and 17 November 2023
- ▶ Education and Awareness programmes
- ▶ Social media statement by Office of the Executive Mayor
- ▶ Include SDGs Logo in all correspondences with stakeholders
- ▶ Community Meetings through Ward Councillors



3. Successes/initiatives

- ▶ HOME-MADE BIOGAS SDG 13 : Climate Action
- ▶ E-waste Recycling : SDG 11: Target 11.6

The Rustenburg Local Municipality has initiated the implementation of Biogas project, This is for the disabled persons at Mphatlhalatsane Disability Centre situated in Sun Rise Park Ext 10, Ward 22.



Successes/Initiatives

- ▶ Yarona Bus: Directorate Roads and Transport SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities: Target 11.2

Fleet: 14 (12m) buses

10 (12m) retrofitted buses

Schedule quality service - fixed routes and timetables

Mix fleet of Bus - 12m (disability compliant)



Successes/Initiatives

Tourism Development - SDG 8: Decent work and Economic growth

- ▶ Tourism, Arts, Culture and Heritage
- ▶ Supporting industry events for growth and development in the tourism sector and create job opportunities.
- ▶ Events such as the Rustenburg Polo, the Rustenburg Mega Expo and many such events that have seen the Local SMMES, accommodation establishments, retail sector benefiting from the interventions.
- ▶ Local 36 Youth have been trained on Opera and Orchestra music through a learnership programme implemented in partnership with COMFESA



Successes/Initiatives. continues

Tourism Development - SDG 8: Decent work and Economic growth

- ▶ Partnership with the Rustenburg Film Festival (RFF)
- ▶ Events Calendar to promote tourism, arts, culture and Heritage activities.
- ▶ Development of Tourism routes such as Heritage and Cultural Routes, Mining Routes (museum), Township/Village Routes to support the Township/village economy, Historical and Political Routes etc. - through the LED Strategy development catalytic project.



Successes/Initiatives

Community Engagement - SDG 5: Gender Equality (Leave no one behind)

- ▶ A unit within the office of the Executive Mayor named Special Projects/Programmes is responsible for ensuring vulnerable groups are organised and their needs are catered for. Examples of such programmes are:
 - The Mayoral Youth cup - advocates programmes for Women, Youth, Children, Elders and people living with Disabilities.
 - The indigence policy of the municipality caters for groups that do not afford paying for services through subsidization.
 - Communities living in informal settlements are serviced through different means e.g. water delivered through



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Successes/Initiatives. Continues

- Improvement of social services to vulnerable communities through launching of:
 - ✓ Disability Forum
 - ✓ Elderly Forum
 - ✓ Children's forum
 - ✓ GBVF Structure
 - ✓ Youth Forum



Successes/Initiatives

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- The RLM has established a good relationship with different stakeholders such as:
- ✓ Government Departments, state-owned entities, Business formations, Traditional Authorities, non-profit organisations, non-governmental organisations and civic organisations, Mining houses, faith-based organisations, financial institutions, to an extent that the municipality has signed MOUs with some stakeholders.
- Quarterly meetings are held with the different stakeholders to discuss issues of collaborated and progress in respect of projects implemented across the municipality.



Successes/Initiatives

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDINGS (MoUs)

MoUs were signed with three Traditional Authorities within Rustenburg and Greater Rustenburg Pastors Forum.

The aim is to collaborate resources for better service delivery and to address social ills for the people of Rustenburg.



Successes/Initiatives. Continues

Different stakeholders commit to addressing community needs in different ways.

- Mining houses commit through their Social and Labour Plans (SLPs) and report through an internal structure called the Mayoral Stakeholder Engagement Committee (MASECO) chaired by the Executive Mayor. The structure meets quarterly to track the progress on the commitments by the mines specifically.

All stakeholders are involved during the IDP and budget compilation and review processes and were consulted during compilation of the VLR.



4. Challenges encountered during VLR Preparation Process.

- The practise of mainstreaming Sustainable development Goals in Planning while developing the IDP was not a normal practise, particularly in RLM
- Alignment of the processes is now done in a reverse order after starting to participate in this working sessions
- Directorates are taking time to warm up to new way of mainstreaming the SDGs in normal planning process.



5. Gaps and Lessons learned from VLR preparation Process

❖ Gaps

- ✓ Not all work within the municipal environment could be linked to SDGs from the onset.
- ✓ Lack of understanding and buy-in
- ✓ Over legislated Local Government
- ✓ Contradictory directives
- ✓ Availability of data/data limitations

❖ Lessons learned

- ✓ All KPIs in a municipal environment can be linked to SDG 11.
- ✓ Learned to link projects/programmes to SDGs
- ✓ Set indicators that allows measuring progress and reporting



6. Opportunities for Collaboration

- Green economy sector
- Agro Processing
- Tourism
- Climate change adaptation projects/green funding



7. Strategic Role to be Played by Local Government Association in aligning VLR and VNR

The South African Local Government Association (SALGA), should play a leading role in:

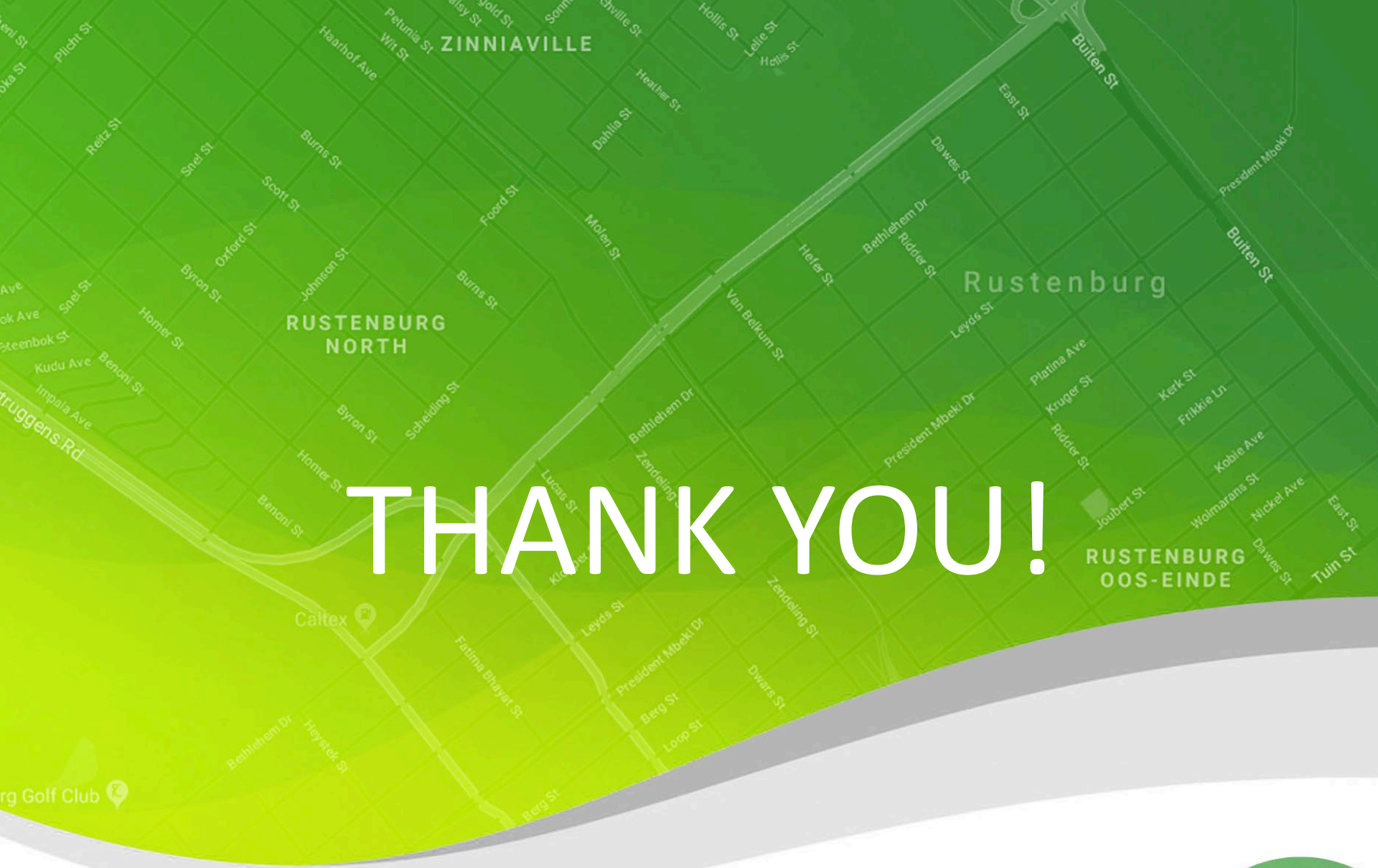
- Identifying programmes that enhances service delivery in municipalities.
- Encouraging municipalities to participate in order to improve their role and get a unique opportunity to assess progress, identify gaps, and showcase innovative solutions.
- All member municipalities to be compelled to participate in prioritizing implementation of SDGs and producing VLRs while at the same time there is guidance provided.



8. Expected Outcomes

- ▶ Strengthened Relations: Building a long-term partnerships between Municipality and other municipalities.
- ▶ Shared Learning : Mutual benefits from shared experiences and good practices.
- ▶ Action Plan: Develop an action plan post workshop





THANK YOU!

