

THE GERMAN STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

During 2005 to 2007 the Honorable Premier of the Free State regularly visited the Province of Saxony in Germany establishing greater trade agreements and developing business relationships. Various fruitful results emanated from these visits of which one is the exchange program of promising young students who can gain experience and witness the latest developments in technology as practiced in Germany. In this regard a memorandum of understanding agreed upon in 2006 and signed in Dresden Germany aims at *inter alia* increasing the net value of foreign direct empowerment investment, youth exposure and empowerment.

This initiative has opened learning opportunities for our departmental youth in various scarce occupational fields to visit Germany and to broad up their knowledge to such a degree that the department and the Province at large will benefit from it. During December 2007 eight of our young employees visited Germany; A follow-up study tour commenced on 27 April 2008 until 29 June 2008. During the latter tour the students studied at the German Association of Engineers (VDI,) Chemnitz, Saxony and visited various factories whilst attending a number of symposia and workshops.

All eight students are permanent employees of the Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport although two of them recently transferred to the Department of Health and the Department of Agriculture, respectively.

 <p>Du Dutoitspan MP ND Civil Eng (FS CUT) <i>Civil Eng company GUB : Doing scoping report for Tshwane Municipality Light Rail Transit, Research on Bio fuel in SA ,scoping report for Lejweleputswa development Agency (Now agriculture)</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PHOTO UNAVAILABLE</p> <p>Makiwane LV Quantity Surveyor ND Building Durban CUT <i>Steffen Oerfelt: doing land surveying ,checking the old and new boundary points for car port to be installed, Learning the laying out instrument on sites before checking points and taking measurements (NOW HEALTH)</i></p>	 <p>Matsemela TJ Industrial Tech Electrician ND Electrical Eng (FS CUT) <i>Ifu Diagnostic for 4 weeks doing Software Matlab,Installation of car tracking Last 4 weeks at Hiersmann Company ; checking errors on car lamps ,Observation on security system</i></p>	 <p>Mbele LP Industrial Tech Electrician ND Electrical Eng (FS CUT) <i>Ifu Diagnostic :for 4 weeks doing Software Matlab,Installation of car tracking Last 4 weeks at Hiersmann Company : checking errors on car lamps ,Observation on security system</i></p>
 <p>Mohami RE Chief Industrial Tech B Tech Civil Eng (FS CUT) <i>Civil Eng company GUB : Doing scoping report for Tshwane Municipality Light Rail Transit, Research on Bio fuel in SA ,scoping report for Lejweleputswa development Agency (NOW COMMUNITY SAFETY,ROADS AND TRANSPORT)</i></p>	 <p>Mokone RE Quantity Surveyor B Tech Quantity Surveyor (FS CUT) <i>Erfurth Partner: Proj Dev on all old buildings that were destroyed during the 2nd World War ,Price listing and cost estimation of buildings</i></p>	 <p>Mokitimi M Chief Architerure B. Building Architerure Masters of Architerure (Univ PE) <i>Erfurth Partner: She was doing interior design of commercial building in Abu Dhabi. She also supported in Proj. Management of Production of form work plan using Microsoft Proj Tech drawings using German version of auto card 2004.</i></p>	 <p>Ramatebane MJ Chief Industrial Tech B Tech Civil Eng (FS CUT) <i>Civil Eng company GUB : Doing scoping report for Tshwane Municipality Light Rail Transit, Research on Bio fuel in SA ,scoping report for Lejweleputswa development Agency (NOW SAFETY,ROADS AND TRANSPORT) COMMUNITY AND</i></p>