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ATTENTION: News Editors/Education reporters

Advisory: Further Education and Training College Summit

Higher Education and Training Minister Dr Blade Nzimande will open the first Further Education and Training (FET) College Summit, a platform for frank and decisive discussions about the future of this crucial sector.

The summit will bring together over 400 stakeholders in the FET College sector to confront the challenges facing this crucial component of the post-school education and training landscape. This summit comes a critical time in the process of developing the college sector as the central delivery site for skills development and training.

The Department of Higher Education and Training has entered into a partnership with stakeholders to work to stabilise the FET college subsystem and the summit is an important step in the process of preparing for the 2011 academic year as well as the long-term development of the sector.

Details of the summit:

Date: 3rd and 4th September

Venue: Birchwood Hotel; East Rand

Media is advised to register at 9:30am on Friday 3rd September. Minister Nzimande will address the summit at 10am.

Further information on the summit is available at www.fetsummit.org.za

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