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Land Reform Seminar 15th May 2018

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Werksmans Attorneys has for the past two decades, been at the centre and cusp of the Land Question, having successfully represented large-scale landowners, funders, investors, claimant communities and land claimants alike.

We have for the past three years, co-hosted a seminar focused on legislative developments in this hotly debated area of law together with the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform, particularly the Commission of Restitution of Land Rights and the agricultural sector.

This year is no different, with a specific focus on the Parliamentary mandate passed by the majority in Parliament on 27 February 2018 to investigate whether or not section 25 of the Constitution ought to be amended in order to make it possible to expropriate land without compensation. We understand that Land Reform is a multi-dimensional issue that involves policy, economics, industry and law.

Our seminar will this year include, insights from the Honourable Deputy Minister of Public Works tasked with expropriating land on behalf of the State, views from Dr. Mathole Motshekga on the parliamentary process and public participation underway, and our Ms B Mabasa will be sharing practical insights on the land policy and its 24 year trajectory including potential solutions.



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