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MEDIA ADVISORY

METRO TRADING SERVICES REFORMS LAUNCH

National Treasury Director-General, Dr Duncan Pieterse, will launch the Metro Trading Services Reforms on 18 March 2026. The launch will be attended by representatives from Metropolitan Municipalities, as well as officials from the national government and development partners.

The reforms introduce a performance-linked incentive under the Urban Development Financing Grant to strengthen accountability and improve financial performance and service delivery in metropolitan trading services.

Trading services include water and sanitation, electricity and energy, and solid waste management. The implementation of the reform seeks to stabilise and strengthen the delivery of core basic services in Metropolitan Municipalities and set foundations for increased investment and economic growth in South Africa's eight largest cities.

Media are invited as follows:

Date: Wednesday, 18 March 2026

Time: 16:00 - 18:00

Venue: The Innovation Hub, Pretoria

Please RSVP to media@treasury.gov.za by close of business on 17 March 2026. Media only.

For any enquiries, please contact Media@treasury.gov.za

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