

# Welcome to Business Trust



**The Business Trust combines the resources of business and government to create jobs, build capacity and combat poverty. The Business Trust believes that by working together, much more can be achieved than by independent action.**

Resources are mobilised from companies operating in South Africa to support programmes that accelerate the achievement of agreed national objectives. Since 1999, over 140 companies have committed more than R1,2bn to the Business Trust.

## Progress Report 2009



2009 was not much fun for anybody - least of all the poor. It was however a year in which the work of the Business Trust grew with sustained support from business and government...[read more](#)

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## Supporting Farmers

Smallholder farmers in Bushbuckridge, one of South Africa's poorest areas are showing dramatic increases in productivity and profits. They are doing this by gaining access to markets, improved farming methods and effective extension services. [Read more](#)



## Infrastructure Dialogues



The Infrastructure Dialogues comprises a series of high level monthly seminars dealing with relevant topics and issues within the infrastructure sector.

To learn more about the Infrastructure Dialogues, click [here](#).

## Business Process Outsourcing



At the end of 2005, the government identified Business Process Outsourcing and Offshoring as a priority sector for the attraction of investment and creation of jobs. It was determined that business and government should work cooperatively to develop and execute a strategy that would make South Africa preferred location for offshored business processes.

The development of the BPO sector has tested SA's ability to:

- compete internationally
- Organise a cooperative effort across government departments and between government and the private sector; and
- use sector strategies to meet South Africa's development goals, especially the provision of work for young and unemployed people.

This report shows South Africa's ability to rise to these challenges. The strategy agreed by the dti and leading firms in the private sector provides an example of the way in which sector strategies may be crafted in the future. To download the report [click here](#).

## **Impact of Global Economic Crisis on BPO**

The Business Trust has commissioned a report on the impact of the economic crisis on Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) and the impact for the South African outsourcing industry. To download the report, [click here](#).

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## **Ready to Compete - SA's capabilities in the Financial BPO Sector**



The Financial Services sector constitutes the largest segment (about 45%) of the global outsourcing industry. South Africa's standing in this sector is world class. The sector presents a significant opportunity for firms building offshore global delivery networks.

This report was commissioned by the Business Trust to provide potential investors with fine-grained information to support the business case for investing in Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) Financial Services in South Africa. To download the report [click here](#).

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