

National Anthem

Nkosi sikelel' iAfrika
Maluphakanyisw' uphondo lwayo,
Yizwa imithandazo yethu,
Nkosi sikelela, thina lusapho lwayo.
Morena boloka setjhaba sa heso,
O fedise dintwa la matshwenyeho,
O se boloke, O se boloke setjhaba sa heso,
Setjhaba sa South Afrika - South Afrika.
Uit die blou van onse hemel,
Uit die diepte van ons see,
Oor ons ewige gebergtes,
Waar die kranse antwoord gee,
Sounds the call to come together,
And united we shall stand,
Let us live and strive for freedom,
In South Africa our land.

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ELECTORAL CODE OF CONDUCT SIGNING CEREMONY GAUTENG

NATIONAL & PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS 2019

PROGRAMME



09 APRIL 2019
CAPITAL EMPIRE HOTEL



YOUR X IS YOUR SAY

Preamble to the Pledge

We the undersigned, leaders of political parties recognise that South Africa is a democratic and constitutional state premised on the principles of regular elections and multipartyism.

- 1) We accept that the elections require an environment wherein there is a free political activity, where all political parties are able to canvas support without fear or hindrance.
- 2) We recognise that democracy development in our country partly depends on the ability of voters to hear different political opinions as espoused by various parties and thus enable citizens to exercise the franchise on an informed basis.
- 3) We note that free and fair elections is the only legitimate basis on which the authority to govern is derived.
- 4) We acknowledge that the Electoral Commission is mandated to ensure free and fair elections of legislative bodies. We further acknowledge that political parties and candidates participating in the national and provincial in 2019 are obliged to observe all provisions of the Electoral Code of Conduct, which is binding on those participating parties, their candidates, members and supporters.

Statement of Commitment

The political parties gathered on the *09th day of April 2019 in Sandton, Johannesburg, Gauteng* commit themselves to uphold the underlying values and conduct required by the Electoral Code of Conduct and to which they hereby pledge to adhere.

Further Pledge

To underscore this commitment, leaders of the undersigned parties pledge:

1. To lead their parties in a manner that will reinforce a culture of tolerance towards all other parties contesting elections
2. To effectively counsel and advise all candidates on their party lists so that each candidate will in turn propagate a message of maximum tolerance
3. To publicly promote the eradication of no-go areas for political campaigns by political parties
4. To desist from using speech or from participating in actions which will have the effect of provoking either parties' supporters or members of the general public to commit acts of intolerance or take other inflammatory actions
5. That participating parties will work together to achieve the object and goals of the Code of Conduct

Signed in Sandton, Johannesburg, Gauteng on the 09th day of April 2019

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR Ms. Kim Groenewald

09h00 – 09h45	Arrival & Registration
10h00 – 10h05	National Anthem by SAPS Brass Band
10h05– 10h10	Welcome & Opening Remarks Acting Deputy Chief Electoral Officer: Outreach Mr. Mawethu Mosery
10h10 - 10h20	Election Readiness Acting Provincial Electoral Officer: Mr Thabo Masemula
10h20 – 10h30	Keynote address Vice – Chairperson IEC: Ms. Janet Love
10h30 – 10h35	Reading of the Code of Conduct Pledge Chief Electoral Officer: Mr. Sy Mamabolo
10h35 - 12h00	Pledge by Political Party Leaders & Signing of the Code of Conduct
12h10 – 12h15	Vote of thanks IEC Spokesperson: Ms. Kate Bapela
12h15 – 12h30	Media Interviews (Live - 702)
12h30	Lunch and Departure