

MEDIA ALERT

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WORLD FISHERIES DAY CELEBRATIONS TO BE HOSTED IN PORT ELIZABETH

Cape Town – Thursday, 22 November 2018: The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries is hosting a World Fisheries Day celebration in Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape on the 29 November 2018. The theme of this event is focused on Small-Scale Fisheries and Aguaculture under the Operation Phakisa initiative.

World Fisheries day is celebrated every year in November throughout the world by fishing industry and communities to highlight the importance of maintaining the world's fisheries and their critical importance to human lives and ecosystems.

Sharp attention will be drawn to the Small Scale Fisheries Sector, Operation Phakisa which serves as a vehicle to accelerate the development of aquaculture in the country and the protection of South Africa's marine resources.

Members of the media are cordially invited to attend this event on Thursday 29 November 2018 as follows:

1. Media Tour with Minister and journalists:

Time: 08h00 until 10:00

Venue: Port Elizabeth Harbour, Ruth First DAFF Compliance Vessel

2. Minister's address:

Time: 11:00

Venue: Nelson Mandela University

Please RSVP to: MerleVD@daff.gov.za, Tel: 021 402 3148; Cell: 083 301 9400 by

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