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Are You Ready?

The news that the link to get your [digital vaccination certificate](#) is up and running, coupled with the removal of South Africa from the UK's red list, shows positive movement is on the increase to get more in-person attendees at events.

This may or may not signal the much-anticipated shift into a sustained collaborative recovery with the added support of a single platform that will house the information of vaccinated citizens.

We may all agree the above signals steps in the right direction.

Within our country, we wait in anticipation, as the South African Football Association intends to welcome vaccinated spectators back into the stadium next week, when our football teams play a World Cup qualifying fixture at Soccer City.

We have shared our views on the possibility that vaccination certification is one way of opening the Business Events Industry and this would allow for a more sustained recovery process. Across the world, many in our industry are opening. As week one of the World Expo comes to an end, we ask ourselves "How soon can we open fully?" and "How soon can we welcome international delegates to our shores?"

The question to members is: "ARE YOU READY?"

Taking everything into account and everything that that has transpired during these 19 months, are we ready to activate and get moving again?

Barring any further delays, **the time has arrived to get moving.**



SAACI National AGM – Monday 18, October 2021

The National AGM notification has been circulated the link to the notification can be found [here](#).

Changes to the Associations' AGM are being proposed, please find the voting link [here](#).

We are also proposing a refreshed logo change, please provide us with your feedback on question 12 [here](#).

[AGM Notification](#)

!!!INVITATION !!!

Skal Pretoria and Johannesburg club
Invites you to join our monthly lunch in Woodmead

Skal Pretoria will also welcome Gillian Saunders as guest
speaker to our Lunch

Date: 21 October 2021

Venue: Cedarwoods of Sandton
120 Western Service Road,
Woodmead, Sandton

Time: 12:30 for 13:00 Registration and networking
13:00 – 15:00 Lunch in the Restaurant
15:00 – 15:30 Site inspection

Cost: Members: R190.00 per person
Non members: R250.00 per person

Please use the above link to book your ticket



SKAL OCTOBER lunch

Skål international Pretoria & Johannesburg is hosting a monthly lunch, Hosted by Cedar Woods in Sandton and are excited to announce that **Gillian Saunders (Tourism and Hospitality Adviser)** will be the guest speaker at the lunch on the **21st of October**.

Skål invites you to "bring your banner" and let the industry know that you are in business. Bring a raffle prize, in exchange.

[Book Tickets Here](#)



October is Mental Health and Depression Awareness Month, we ask you to continue staying in touch...with friends, your loved ones and to remember that “you never know what someone else is going through”.

Reach out to connect.

The past few weeks have brought hope with some intent to return to life with limited restrictions. While this is welcomed, we are not out of the woods yet and we need to remain agile and alert.

We may be in a period where we need to start living with the knowledge that COVID-19 is not gone.

However, life needs to start, and we need to rely on what we know, with the available vaccine as an alternative for those that are ready to TAKE THE **#Jab4Events**.

Take care,
The SAACI Team



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