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### MEDIA STATEMENT

#### **DWS partners with Kingdom of Denmark and various private organizations to save water**

31 March 2017

Department of Water and Sanitation in partnership with the National Cleaner Production Centre (NCPC), the Denmark Ministry of Environment and food, Strategic Water Partners Network (SWPN) and Grundfos held the Industrial Water Efficiency Workshop in Germiston, Gauteng.

The main objective of the engagement is to bring together local and international water stakeholders to enable them to address pressing water challenges in the country. At the centre of the workshop was the presentation of relevant findings from the South Africa-Danish Sector activity of Integrated Water Efficiency Program(IWE),its plans for future activities in South Africa and most importantly.

DWS 'Deputy Director-General for Planning and Information, Ms Deborah Mochotlhi gave a keynote address highlighting DWS policy standing on efficient water use by huge industries using the Integrated Water Resources Management as an approach.

Various Organisations took to the stage to share their different water saving methods and initiatives that ranged from using waterless innovations to wash cars, plans to reuse of excess saline mine water for agricultural irrigation as well as the introduction of the No-Drop incentive based monitoring developed to encourage progress in water use efficiency and water loss management by South African Municipalities.

Other matters that delegates discussed are those of policies and enabling environment for IWE,IWE assessments and how to spread lessons learned from case studies to sector level.

The Department of Water and Sanitation signed a memorandum of Understanding with the Government Of Denmark in the field of water sector, water use and water sources that underpin a balanced social, environmental and economically sustainable development within the UN post-2015 sustainable development framework.



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