

THE ROLE OF LEGISLATION IN TRANSPORT AND SAFETY AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN PARTICIPATION

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ABSTRACT

Transport and safety legislation are the basis of the control of the manufacture, use and road sea, rail or airworthiness of the motor vehicles, trains, aircraft and ships. The legislation is supported by South African National Standards, guidelines and policy documents.

Unfortunately amending legislation to keep up with new developments and concepts such as disruptive transport technologies has become a real challenge for government. Amendments to legislation that used to take on average 12 to 18 months to amend, is taking 5 to 6 years.

This is discouraging new investors and entrepreneurs to pursue new avenues of business and to invest in any type of transport that is not covered by the legislation.

The presentation will address some of the stumbling blocks in introducing disruptive transport technologies and possible time frames for such changes.