

**PROVINCIAL TREASURY** 

## MEDIA ALERT

## Limpopo Civic Information Drive: enhancing public participation in the budget process!

Government budgets can be intimidating to try and understand as they are often presented in complicated and inaccessible formats. For this reason, Vulekamali was created, to make National and Provincial government budgets accessible to everyone in South Africa. Currently, this includes a combination of interactive visualisations, simple graphs, summarised budget documents and educational videos. At every stage of open budget portal's development, there are opportunities for users (that's you) to provide input on the design, content and functionality of www.vulekamali.gov.za.

National Treasury in partnership with civil society coalition IMALI YETHU, are developing a budget portal called vulekamali.gov.za. This is in line with National Treasury's continued commitment to transparency and increased public participation in the budget process.

National Treasury, IMALI YETHU and Limpopo Provincial Treasury, will be hosting a two day Budget Literacy Training. The aim of the training is to raise awareness about vulekamali.gov.za, encourage participants to engage with the South African national and provincial departments budgets, and stimulate thinking on budget data-driven solutions to some of the problems experienced by local communities.

The media is therefore invited to this two days budget Literacy training to be held as follows:

Date : 21 & 22 August 2019 Venue: MLab Southern Africa, 15 Biccard Str, Polokwane Central. Time :

## To confirm your attendance, you are requested to contact:

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