

Business Session I

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Welcome everybody.

I am pleased to introduce to you our speakers for the first session this morning, which will primarily look at the economic outlook here in South Africa as well as the expected growth. We will finish the morning session with discussions on the financial support of infrastructure projects in developing countries.

Our first speaker, Mr. Rudolf Gouws, was chief economist of the Rand Merchant Bank from 1986 to 2009. While he was at Rand Merchant he also chaired the Economic Policy Committee of BSA, which is Business of South Africa, from 1996 to 2003. He has recently relocated to the Cape, but he remains a Consultant to RMB. I like to welcome Rudolf. Please come up and give your presentation.