



**SOUTH AFRICA
BUSINESS FORUM
BOTSWANA**



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ESTABLISHMENT

The South African Business Forum (SABF) was established in Botswana in 2015, through the facilitation of the South African High Commission, with the main aim of facilitating good relationships between the Botswana Government and South African businesses in Botswana.

PRIMARY PURPOSE

- Assist and enhance the ability of SA companies to fulfill their business aspirations
- Guide and provide platform for SA companies to contribute to the attainment of economic growth, people development and social transformation of Botswana and the SADC region
- Provide platform to interact, dialogue and exchange views amongst and between members, Government, other businesses and civic organizations in the country and regionally to advance members and mutual interests
- Create a positive image of South African companies and South Africa in Botswana
- Participate in the diversification of the economy in Botswana

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Serve as a forum for networking and collective bargaining.
- Provide business development opportunities
- Facilitate for members to promote their products and services
- Keep members informed of relevant business, trade and legal development in the countries of Botswana and South Africa
- Be a source of information and assist individuals and companies on the lookout for business, trade or investment
- Offer a complete directory of members/companies
- Organize informative seminars, discussions, luncheons and social events
- Support the vision and objectives of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)
- Work in partnership with representatives of the South African High commission
- Encourage Good citizenry and participation in the Botswana Community



MEMBERSHIP TO THE FORUM

Membership of the SABF is open to any body corporate operating in Botswana, in which SA entities have equity and/or influence and/ listed entities in the JSE. Consistent with Government of Botswana definitions, companies falling into one of the following categories are eligible for membership to the SABF:

Annual Membership

Membership fees are as follows:
- Annual Membership - P 20 000

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

- Liberty Botswana
- PPC Cement
- ABSA
- Old Mutual
- Alexander Forbes
- Stanbic Bank
- Bokomo
- Woolworth Botswana
- CA Sales
- Distel Botswana
- Flo-Tek
- Pep Botswana
- Concor Botswana



ROLE

- Raise funding for the operation of the forum and implementation of its activities from member fees, earn marketing revenues generated from hosting relevant public events, exhibitions, trade shows, research, compilation and dissemination of periodicals and any other communication platform approved by the Forum leadership as advancing the interest of member companies and the Forum.
- Develop and maintain positive communication channels with key stakeholders across the socio-economic landscape including, but not limited to government departments, ministries, other business and civic associations in Botswana and in the region, to ensure Forum members' interests are protected and advanced.
- Be a channel to provide information to members' companies on regional and local business opportunities, in so doing encourage local linkages and collaborations between Botswana companies, executives from both countries and other complimentary business interests in the region.

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- The powers of the forum shall be construed in a wide and unrestricted sense and may be extended, altered or modified from time to time as decided by the Forum at its General Assembly.
- The Forum, as an organisation, is excluded from engaging directly in the practice of any commercial business, other than for the purposes of funding and facilitating the activities of the Forum.
- The Forum, as an organisation, shall not engage in any political activity in Botswana nor allow its funds and facilities to be used for political purposes.

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