



**GLOBAL LIFT  
& ESCALATOR  
EXPO 2019 AFRICA**



**REPORT**



**1<sup>ST</sup> EXCLUSIVE  
ELEVATOR & ESCALATOR  
EXPO IN AFRICA**

**27 - 29 August 2019**  
Sandton Convention Centre,  
Johannesburg,  
South Africa

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# GLE Expo 2019: SUMMARY

The 1<sup>st</sup> International exhibition & conference on the elevators, escalators and components industry was successfully held from 27-29th August 2019 at Sandton Convention Center, South African. The expo was inaugurated by the Minister T.T Nxesi , Department of Employment and Labor along with Counsel General of India Mr. Anuj Gupta and Mr. Lexiang Zhang, Secretary General, China Elevator Association. This dedicated event was conceptualized to create a platform for the global vertical transportation industry to showcase latest products & technology and share knowledge with the buyers and influencers of African continent under one roof.

Minister Nxesi in his opening address emphasized on the need to enhance manufacturing in South Africa for this sector and urged the industry to give utmost importance to the safety of products and people.

Ms Tasneem Motara addressed the audience and spent lot of time understanding the industry, its players and technology at display. She promised to be a part of this initiative on a continues basis to make sure the industry and government work hand in hand .

Mr. Lexiang, said Africa is an important continent for the Chinese players and South Africa can be the gateway for the African continent.

The event concluded on a high note and it effectively met its objective of bringing the attention of global players to the African continent and exposing its potential for this industry. The 60+ participants from 9 countries returned with quality leads and business prospects. The testimonials from various participants are extremely encouraging and we believe brand Gleexpo 2019 Africa.

## LAUNCH OF ELEVATE AFRICA MAGAZINE

A dedicated publication for the continent to connect and communicate among the regional and international industry players and other stakeholders was launched at the event. This digital publication will showcase latest news, product and technology articles, update on real estate, infrastructure developments etc. from the continent. The buyers, influencers, Government bodies regulators and industry players from across the globe will have opportunity to interact with industry players of this region and educate them.



The expo attracted closed to 1400 quality visitor from across South Africa, Portugal, Kenya, Botswana, Angola, Nigeria, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Lesotho, Italy, Austria, Australia, Turkey, India, Germany, China and many other countries from around the world.

Majority of the visitors came sourcing for Elevators, Escalators & components and they were looking for business tie-ups. The attendance and support received from the senior officials from various government departments like PWD, DID and DEL was well appreciated by the industry. Gleexpo established a bridge connecting regulatory authorities, industry players and the property owners/buyers.

The expo also created an apt platform to share knowledge through the presentations and panel discussions. All stakeholders enthusiastically participated in these sessions and got an opportunity to hear from industry leaders and experts. The topic addressed and the overall agenda for the conference is given below.

# EXHIBITION & SEMINAR SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	INAUGURATION	NAME	TITLE
Tuesday 27th Aug 2019	10h00 to 10h15	Opening	Mr. Freddy Leketi	MC
		Safety Briefing	Paballo Makhlemele	Miktor (Sandton Convention)
		Welcome Virgo Team	Ms. Anitha Ragunath	Director Virgo Communications & Exhibitions (Pty) Ltd
		Ribbon Cutting	Dignatories	
	10h15 to 10h45	Opening Address	Minister T. Nxesi	Minister of Employment & Labour
		Opening Address	Mr. Tibor Szana	DEL Chief Inspector
	10h45 to 11h00	Elevator Regulations & Safety SA	Mr. Jacob Malatse (DEL)	Director Electrical Engineering DEL
	11h00 to 11h15	Woman in Lift Industry	Ms. Lynnette Vermaak	SANAS Quality Manager (Solutions for Elevating)
	11h15 to 11h30	SA Lift Industry Overview	Mr. Hennie Hudson	Manager Projitech Consultants
	11h30 to 11h45	Launch Elevate Africa emagazine	Mr. Segren Reddy	Director Virgo Communications & Exhibitions (Pty) Ltd
	14h00 to 14h30	China International Lift Market	Mr. Lexiang Zhang	Secretary China Elevator Association
	14h30 to 15h00	Role of European Standards in promoting Innovations	Mr. Dennis Lindeboom	International Account Manager Lift Instituut (Netherlands)
	15h00 to 15h30	Lift Owners Responsibility	Mr. Bill Murphy	Projitech MD
	15h30 to 16h00	Home Lifts SA	Mr. Arno Nel	Project Manager at Lifta SA
Wednesday 28th Aug 2019	10h00 to 10h30	Opening Address	Ms. Patricia De Lille	Minister of Public Works Department
	10h30 to 11h00	Smart Urban Mobility	Mr. Guntram Begle	Snr VP Schindler Ahead, Schindler Digital
	11h00 to 11h30	Green Energy	Mr. Vally Padayachee	Strategic Advisor AMEU
	11h30 to 12h00	Facility Management SA	Mr. Andre Klopper	National Facility Manager Redefine Property
Thursday, 29th Aug 2019	10h00 to 10h30	Department of Infrastructure Gauteng	Ms. Tasneem Motara	MEC Gauteng Department of Infrastructure
	10h30 to 12h00	Panel Discussion	Mr Bethuel Netshiswinzhe	Department Infrastructure Development HOD
		Topic-Current & Future of SA Lift industry	Mr Bill Murphy	Projitech MD
		Key Actions and Outcome	Mr H. Monyaki	DEL Senior Manager
			Mr. John April	Merseta & QCTO
			Ms. Jackie Gokamilwe	LEA Chairperson
			Mr. Patrick Qwabe	SABS Manager
			Mr. Sanjeev Singh	LIASA
			Ms. Linda Grundlingh	SANAS
			Mr. Ebrahim Moola	CIDB

# EXHIBITOR LIST

AFAG Messen Und Ausstellungen GmbH

Ake Elevators and Escalators

Algi Alfred Giehl GmbH & Co. KG

Blain Hydraulics GmbH

China Elevator Association (CEA)

China Shippers Association (CSA)

Cobianchi Liffteile AG

Crane Worldwide Logistics

Escalators for Africa

Elevator World

Elevate Africa

Etulu Lifts

Gen Elektromekanik San. TIC. Ltd. STI. - Genemek

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IFE Elevators

Iranudi, S. A

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Meilier Aufzugturen GmbH

Mik-EI Elektronik San Ve Tic Ltd STI

Mofasa Escalators

Movilift Italy

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## CONCLUSION

GLE EXPO 2019 AFRICA laid a strong foundation for the industry to showcase itself and grow. All participants benefited immensely and expressed their gratitude.

Elevate Africa was well received and appreciated by on and all.

The knowledge forum and the panel discussion addressed all key issues of the industry and brought the industry closer.

Virgo will host GLE EXPO biennially and continue to support the industry through Elevate Africa.



## TESTIMONIALS

“The GLE Expo has been a nice experience, Africa’s first all-exclusive lift and escalator expo. It’s been nice net working with professional pious from the industry and also potential clients. It’s been a wonderful experience the organisation has been very very wonderful and the turnout of people seeking new solutions and coming to the expo with what the exhibitors have to offer has been full filled. All expectations have been met or I should say over met and are we very grateful of this opportunity. It’s a big door opener for Schaefer in the African continent we have beautiful components for visualizations and operation of lift and lift installations but we need a gate way to reach the Africa market. That is the opportunity that GLE has given us the platform in Africa

*Mr.Felix Sango, Schaefer, Germany*

“we are here at the 1st GLE Expo 2019 at Sandton and it has been a huge experience for us and the for the industry and as a company I think the industry is shifted and in my view all the business generated for all who have participated for all the players in the expo is phenomenal and look am looking forward for the next one” Thanks.

*Mr. Dewald Lassen, Managing Director, SAEC*

“So having experienced the 1 st Global lift and Escalator expo in South Africa or Africa. I think it has been a great start, a great experience. Congratulations to the organisers, Job well done. I guess there should be some learning to take from here, what’s good is the level of participation from all the different suppliers, the service providers, the various type of products. I think we have brought great awareness to all the general public, property developers , architects , all relevant persons involved with the vertical transportation, it’s nice to see the level of exposure that they have received in terms of various offering and innovations.

*Mr. Randall Amra, Director New Installations, Schindler , South Africa*

“Good morning and thank you for giving us an opportunity to represent the small business enterprise. We believe, that the exhibition has given us a chance to the Black Enterprise, the real South African local business. It has relevant exposure from this we going to move a step forward towards success.

*Mr. Jackie Gokamilane, Nqoba*

“Hi I am Annie Jiang from China Elevator Association, we are the organisers of China Pavilion. We bring Chinese Elevator companies from outside china . The 1st GLE expo is nice and special for us and all the Chinese exhibitors are satisfied. We had professional visitors, buyers Africa is a big and potentiation market and look forward to do a lot of business in the Africa market.

*Ms. Annie Jiang, Elevator Market, CEA China*

“The expo was very, very important for us as Department of Labour because it has enhanced the perspective with regards of safety of lifts in the industry. The competence that are needed to insure the lifts are safe. The transportation of people with the lifts are safe and comply to standard of South Africa. But also one best spin is to bring many strong players from the industry to invest in South Africa and look create mare jobs within Africa.

*Jacob Malatse, Department of Labour*