

PIVOTAL DISCRETIONARY GRANT 2025/26 FUNDING WINDOW

The W&RSETA invites accredited business schools or universities to apply for the delivery of the 2025/26 International Leadership Development Programme (ILDP). The executive development programme is aimed at accelerating the development of senior managers through curated international immersions combined with a learning programme.

INTERVENTION	UNITS	REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA
INTERNATIONAL	Total: 60 delegates	SCOPE OF SERVICES
LEADERSHIP	Totali oo dologatoo	The scope of service for the institution of higher learning to
DEVELOPMENT	NQF Level 7 & 8	perform the following deliverables:
PROGRAMME		Recruitment and Selection of delegates
2025/26		
REF: SP2526/ILDP/0001		 Admit and register delegates on SAQA or CHE or QCTO accredited qualifications/programmes registered at NQF level 7 and/or 8
		Design a customised International Leadership Develop- ment Programme qualification suitable for the Wholesale and Retail Sector with detailed timelines and a calendar for the duration of the programme.
		Deliver the programme and provide academic support for the duration of the programme.
		Coordinate and deliver the training programme through a hybrid model (online and physical classes) and provide the delegates with all study materials, laptops/tablets, accommodation and transport for physical block classes.
		Design and coordinate local and international immersions to expose delegates to international wholesale and retail best practices.
		 Develop a communication plan on processes, require- ments and expectations from registration throughout the programme including stakeholder briefings and quarterly feedback sessions.
		 Engage in alignment processes with other institutions appointed to deliver the programme to ensure standardi- sation and efficient communication and stakeholder man- agement.
		Issue to delegates who successfully complete the programme a SAQA registered qualification accredited with relevant quality assurance body i.e. CHE or QCTO.
		EXPECTED OUTCOMES AND DELIVERABLES
		The training provider will be required to:
		Sign a memorandum of agreement/contract with the W&RSETA prior to implementation of the programme.
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		 Customise an accredited qualification to deliver an International Development Programme
		 Incorporating sector experts and/or leaders in facilitating relevant local and international immersions.
		Provide an implementation plan for the duration of the
		programme including delegate support, detailed
		calendar, communication and programme overview
		including the core modules and electives (where applicable).
		Register the allocated number of delegates from the
		Wholesale and Retail Sector on an NQF level 7/8.



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LEADERSHIP		Submit to the W&RSETA proof of registration with
DEVELOPMENT	NQF Level 7 & 8	required documentation.
PROGRAMME		Facilitate selection and recruitment of suitable delegates
2025/26		in conjunction with the W&RSETA.
REF: SP2526/ILDP/0001		 Facilitate interviews of shortlisted candidates in conjunction with the W&RSETA.
REF. 3P2920/ILDP/0001		Conduct orientation by 28 February 2026.
		Administrative reporting on the programme including
		attendance registers, facilitation reports and delegate reviews/feedback and monthly progress reports.
		 Facilitate related events in consultation with the W&RSETA, locally and internationally, including but not limited to programme launch, Action Learning Projects presentations and a graduation ceremony. Submit closure reports at the conclusion of the
		programme.
		INTERNATIONAL IMMERSIONS
		The institution will be required to facilitate end-to-end international immersions including the following key components:
		• Recommend to the W&RSETA a list of viable
		international immersion destinations to ensure extensive
		learnings and exposure to retail functional areas and
		leadership practices aligned to the Wholesale and Retail Sector's strategic focus areas and topical issues impacting the sector.
		Coordinate international study tours for best practice
		 exchange, benchmarking and leadership practices. The group will be divided into three groups to travel for
		two weeks in two countries in the East, and West and a week to an African country, per group.
		Academic exchange with international business schools.
		Facilitate and make logistic arrangements for
		engagements between the W&RSETA and South
		African envoys internationally and strategic partners on areas of possible collaboration and opportunities for the W&RSETA.
		Coordinate travel, accommodation and
		logistic arrangements for delegates, one project team
		member and one executive from the W&RSETA per
		immersion and international events such as welcome dinners, conference facilities for engagements with host companies
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		GRADUATION CEREMONY
		Coordination of a graduation ceremony for people to be held in the province where the institution's main campus is based. This graduation is separate from the institution's energy public graduation.
		institution's open/public graduation.Cost of delegate attendance for the graduation



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS

- The institution/university or business school must have a valid SAQA registration credentials and be registered with the Department of Higher Education and Training.
- The institutions must be in good standing with the South African Revenue Services.
- Applications must be made on the <u>PIVOTAL DG25/26 Funding Window ILDP Application</u> Form (available from the W&RSETA website).
- Applicants should submit the application form with relevant supporting documents.
- Applicants must submit a proposal plan with a clear implementation plan; The plan must include costing for the academic programme delivered on campus and international immersions, incorporating cost of travel and accommodation for the delegates and three W&RSETA officials for each immersion. The plan must further include programme costs including a graduation ceremony. The detailed implementation plan must include the profiles and experience of the faculty that will be for the programme.
- Demonstrate a track record with client references or recommendations of successful implementation of international leadership development programmes with extensive networks for immersions. The reference letters must be on the Client's letterhead with details of the contactable referee.
- Experience in delivering leadership development programmes in the Wholesale and Retail Sector will be an added advantage.
- All delegates must be registered with the institution by 31 January 2026.
- Registration of all delegates on the W&RSETA Learner Management System by 31 January 2026.
- Failure to meet deliverables within the stipulated timeliness will result in the withdrawal of the allocation and funding will be re-allocated to an institution that is able to meet the timelines.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

Shortlisted institutions may be required to make presentations to the W&RSETA.

Applications must be submitted to <u>ILDP@wrseta.org.za</u> by 31 July 2025. No late applications will be considered.

The application form is available from www.wrseta.org.za

All queries related to this advert should be directed to the Special Projects Manager: Marcus Mokgohloa at mmokgohloa@wrseta.org.za

*The W&RSETA reserves the right not to award the funding window.

