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## 5<sup>TH</sup> SOUTHERN AFRICAN RAILWAYS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

The Southern African Railways Association (SARA), an association of Railways in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) is holding its fifth high-level Rail Conference and Exhibition drawing participants from all over the world. The Conference and Exhibition whose theme is ***“The role of Rail Transport to Economic Development in Southern Africa”*** will be held at **Emperors Palace, Johannesburg, Republic of South Africa from the 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> of May 2015.**

This rail industry solution focused Conference and Exhibition is a unique opportunity for experts in the rail industry, users of rail and industry suppliers to participate in the crafting of solutions for the betterment of regional railways.

The conference will cover major themes at the core of railway business including Transport Policy and Infrastructure, Funding/Investment, Business Strategy, Customer Perspective, Passenger Services, Infrastructure, Equipment & Technology, Operations & Marketing, Railway Safety & Security, Risk & Environmental Management, Human Capital Development, Railway Projects, Ports Infrastructure Development, Railway and Tourism, and Railway Land Property for Economic Development. Key industry stakeholders who will be in attendance include Railway Operators, Regulators, Academia, Asset Holding Companies, Railway Suppliers, Customers, Regional and International Transport Organisations, Financiers and Transport Consultants among others.

SADC Ministers, high level Government Officials and captains of industry will be participating and discussing pertinent issues about rail services in this conference.

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