

**African Banker Awards 2023 – South African Minister of Finance awarded Minister of Finance of the Year**

This evening (25 May 2023) South Africa has once again been affirmed as not only a leader and trailblazer in the African financial services sector, but also a shining example of excellence and best practices in both the public and private banking and finance sector.

At the 17th edition of the African Banker Awards 2023, hosted in Sharm El Sheik, Egypt, our Minister of Finance, Honorable Enoch Godongwane was recognized and awarded as Minister of Finance of the Year. Honorable Godongwane was recognized by the entire continent of Africa's Finance and Banking industry for carrying through prudent macroeconomic policies and reforms in South Africa through extremely challenging circumstances.

In recognition by the industry and his peers, Honorable Godongwane has been honored for his skills and dexterity to continuously creating the conditions of an appealing investment climate.

Even as we South Africans navigate significant economic challenges, we continue to be an example to the African continent and the world of grit, leadership, innovation and hope.

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