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Letter of Intent between the municipalities of Tyresö and Theewaterskloof

This letter is a declaration of cooperation between Tyresö Municipality, Sweden and Theewaterskloof Municipality, South Africa. The intent is to build a mutual partnership between the two municipalities to

- **Promote cross-country learning and understanding**
- **Create linkages between the administration and political spheres of the two municipalities, with the ultimate goal of improving the living conditions for citizens of the two municipalities**
- **Stimulate exchange of knowledge and experience within the area of local self-governance**

The intent is also to include other relevant stakeholders, such as provincial and national agencies and departments – as well as non-state actors - that can make relevant contributions to the partnership.

After an initial period of exchange of ideas and planning, we agree to apply for funding from ICLD for the following:

Project

The youth unemployment within the Theewaterskloof area is considered one of the biggest poverty alleviation and social development challenges faced by the municipality. The project objective is to develop the entrepreneurial spirit, mentality, confidence and skill of school-aged youth in Theewaterskloof and Tyresö in order to enable them, when entering the labour market, to create their own jobs instead of relying on the state and the formal business sector to do that for them.

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The project will develop a South African tailored Entrepreneurial Programme based on the Tyresö model of “Ung Företagsamhet”. The partnership between the municipalities will grant an international dimension to the programme and enhance the opportunities for import and export between the enterprises run within the programme in Tyresö and Theewaterskloof. The cooperating partners believe that the international dimension of the entrepreneurial programmes will also make the secondary schools running the programme more attractive to young people.

Management and Coordination function

A management committee for the partnership has been established and a coordinator in each municipality has been appointed. The management committee consists of representatives of the political majority, the opposition, senior municipal officials and the coordinators in each of the respective municipalities.

The two parties agree to support the above activities and to partner on a successful outcome.

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