

IAGA/IAGR Women's Forum Breakfast

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

VENUE: The Terrace Salon & Patio/The Phoenician
DATE: 20 September 2004
HOST: Linda M. Kassekert

Linda, in her opening speech, thanked South Africa profoundly for steering this forum to this morning's breakfast forum and singled out Nozibusiso Shabalala of KwaZulu Natal Gambling Board in South Africa for initiating the Women's Forum in the IAGA/IAGR Conference held in Lisbon, Portugal in 2003.

Her approach as host of the Women's Forum Breakfast was very inviting to the women to come forward with issues of interest to Women in IAGR. Professor Linda deVries, Chairperson of the Western Cape Gambling Board, presented a written proposal for the Women's Forum on behalf of South Africa's IAGR Women's Forum.

After noting the proposal handed to all women who attended the breakfast, Linda M. Kassekert invited women for comments.

Some called the initiative "***A Dream Come True.***"

After introducing themselves individually, the women were invited to indicate their interest in serving in the IAGR Steering Committee.

Among those who wished to serve on the committee were:

- Linda M. Kassekert
- Thebi Moja
- Linda deVries

Nozi Shabalala volunteered to be the International Organizer for the IAGA/IAGR Women's Forum.

After very positive deliberations, the ladies agreed that their breakfast forum with the deliberations will be brought to IAGR Conference for Tuesday, 21 September 2004.

The Chairperson further requested members to submit suggestions after the meeting.

Linda Kassekert thanked all for attending the Women's Breakfast in closing and called for all to go back to conference at 9:15 a.m.

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Submitted by: Nozibusiso Shabalala