

**Press release:**

***Team spirit abounds as Dekra Industrial celebrates Global Dekra Day in South Africa***

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Global Dekra Day was celebrated at the beginning of July in fine style locally, as Dekra Industrial employees around the country came to work, eagerly anticipating their colleagues' cultural fashion and an assortment of delicious traditional South African dishes.

Dekra Industrial Managing Director Johan Gerber explains: "Dekra Industrial employees enjoy this special companywide commemoration day every year, to promote our vision of a safe, secure and sustainable world. The 2022 theme globally was '***Celebrate Team Spirit***'."

"In line with this fun theme," says Gerber, "we were able to get into the spirit of the weekend as our employees came together to celebrate their traditional fashion and enjoy tasty local fare. Prizes were given for the best-dressed branch, as well as the best-dressed individual. It was gratifying to know that Dekra employees and colleagues everywhere – including right here in South Africa - were watching the same pre-produced video, the ***Global Dekra Day Show***, and then discussing it afterwards while socialising together. Above all, we took pride in embracing our country's diverse heritage, as well as sharing what Dekra Industrial and safety means to each individual personally."

Gerber says the event was very well received, and he attributes this partly to the use of social media messaging that was sent to employees at weekly intervals in the month leading up to Dekra Day in South Africa.

"We take pride in our positive relationship and communications with our valued staff members," he adds.

"I believe the regular messages that were sent to them individually certainly played a role in helping to build the excitement throughout the company ahead of the Dekra Day celebration.

It was also wonderful to see our beloved country's diverse heritage being showcased at branches nationwide, as people came to work dressed in their finery, and enjoyed their get-togethers in the spirit of the great South African braai.

I am always enormously proud of our Dekra Industrial employees and their ongoing commitment to teamwork, and to being '***Heroes of Safety***', as part of our parent company Dekra's 97-year global safety heritage," concludes Gerber.

***(359 words)***

## **About Dekra Industrial and Dekra Institute of Learning**

With 97 years in the industry through its global parent company, Dekra Industrial SA has established a formidable reputation as a leader in inspection services, non-destructive testing (NDT), material testing, laboratory services, Advanced NDT, and asset integrity services, and offers industry training through Dekra Institute of Learning. With a Group presence in more than 50 countries on five continents, Dekra Industrial RSA provides safety solutions across a multitude of industries, including power generation, oil and gas, construction, petrochemical, manufacturing, fabrication, pulp and paper, rail, mining, steel industry and foundries, within South Africa and pan-Africa.

Dekra Industrial SA is a holistic, '*one-stop*' services provider of NDT inspection, corrosion control with rope access, lifting and drone inspections, Dekra Industrial SA is Level 3 BBBEE-compliant, with 51 percent black woman ownership.

The company is also RD 0034-compliant, a nuclear safety compliance standard and is one of the few NDT companies locally to hold the ISO 45001 certification.

Dekra Institute of Learning is QCTO-accredited and delivers online learning across all industries, in both public and private sectors, with training pitched to all levels of competency, focusing on HSE, ISO and CPD-aligned courses. Classroom-based and distance learning are also available.

Dekra Industrial strives to be recognised as the 'heroes of safety'.

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