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**THE IMPACT OF MUNICIPAL AMALGAMATIONS ON SERVICE DELIVERY**

The Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB) has conducted amalgamations of several municipalities since the first democratic local government in the year 2000. As such, much was anticipated that these amalgamations would result in municipalities that are effective in fulfilling their socio-economic developmental mandate which includes providing proper service delivery to the communities.

In partnership with the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC), the MDB will host a research seminar wherein the root causes of impediments to service delivery will be unpacked as well as to determine if amalgamations have a direct impact on service delivery.

Members of the media are invited to the seminar session to be held as follows:

**DATE: Thursday, 07 November 2019**

**TIME: 12h30 –14h00**

**VENUES: HSRC (Pretoria), Vidyo Livestream in Cape Town and KwaZulu-Natal**

It is envisaged that the session will result in sustainable interventions to improve the performance of municipalities' and speed up delivery of services to achieve goals of a developmental state as enshrined in the National Development Plan.

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