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Worker Training: WIETA Training Session at Boekenhoutskloof Winery: Empowering Workers with Knowledge

In January 2024, WIETA conducted a comprehensive training session at Boekenhoutskloof Winery in Somerset West, with a total of 45 workers in attendance, including junior management staff. The training focused on two crucial areas:

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WIETA Promotes Social Dialogue and Best Practices in Human Rights Due Diligence

On 12 March 2024, WIETA hosted a significant session at our offices focused on fostering social dialogue among key stakeholders in the wine industry. Attendees included representatives from trade unions, producers, civil society organisations, as well as the Department of Employment and Labour and the Department of Agriculture. Partner Africa and KVV Pty Ltd also contributed valuable insights.

The session covered several essential topics:

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Certified vs. Non-Certified Temporary Employment Services – What to expect on the day of audit.

WIETA strongly encourages the use of certified temporary employment services or labour contractors, as this adds another level of ethical protection to our supplier and wine brand members. However, not all temporary employment services or contractors can meet the required compliance requirements or indeed, can afford the audit and compliance costs. In fact, last month WIETA suspended over 40 TES from the WIETA online system for not being able to fulfill their obligations.

So what do you need to know when facing an audit and determining whether to use a certified or non-certified individual?

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Introducing Systembolaget's Most Sustainable Products Category for Wine

Aligned to Systembolaget's sustainability strategy, the monopoly has recently introduced their Most Sustainable Products category for wine and beverages. These products are shaped by their strategy to focus on sustainable consumption going forward to 2030. Products are evaluated based on 4 criteria, namely:

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Get Going Campaign

Due to the challenges of unemployment and food insecurity facing the majority of South Africans today, nutritional food intake is being replaced with cheaper, less healthy meals. This is having a damaging effect on health and economic stability.

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