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Compliments Of The Season

As we work our way through December and into the New Year, stress will try to creep into your life. The many business activities and daily hot weather will wear on the strongest of try to follow all good health rules.

**Wish you a happy and wonderful new year.
May 2015 be your best year**

- CHIETA's list of organizing framework occupational codes, trades and specialization designated to the CHIETA is now published. Please download it from the CHIETA website
- Five mineral value-chains prioritized in South Africa's draft beneficiation plan

The Mineral Beneficiation Action Plan (MBAP), which is currently in draft form, should be finalized by the end of March 2015, the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) has confirmed. The department is leading the drafting process, which also involves the National Treasury, the Economic Development Department, the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) and the Department of Science and Technology. The Economic Sectors, Employment and Infrastructure Development Cluster announced that the MBAP would seek to advance "local value-addition across five mineral value-chains, namely, iron-ore and steel, platinum-group metals, polymers, titanium and mining inputs".

- Africa key to 'reigniting' SA's chemicals industry

Moving into the rest of Africa could "reignite" South Africa's lagging chemicals industry with vast opportunities for growth in the rest of the continent as the population expands and the middle class grows.

The local chemical sector was found to be South Africa's fourth-largest employer and was seen as a critical component of economic growth. The greatest opportunity for South Africa's chemical sector was in Africa and companies seeking growth should embrace the economic opportunities presented by sub-Saharan Africa's faster growing neighbours,



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