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Introduction

- ◆ DEA is excited for being part of this global land remediation community
- ◆ This gathering came at the right time when we are about to have Part 8 of the Waste Act coming into effect
- ◆ ICCL creates an opportunity for us to learn best practice approaches in land remediation from people that have walked the path
- ◆ The past two days have been exciting: So much have been discussed and shared and will be further elaborated on by The ONE AND ONLY (Dominique)
- ◆ Because we care about industry needs we deemed it fit to share these benefits with you

Key issues arising from the past two days

- Remediation efforts must be integrated with sustainability considerations
- Policy frameworks with clear remediation objectives and implementation thereof
- ◆ Good governance and transparency are needed in remediation decision –making
- ◆ Networking platforms need to be created for knowledge sharing
- ◆ Public-Private Partnership is needed in remediation
- ◆ Public Participation throughout project life cycle

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- ◆ There is a need to evaluate potential excavated soil re-use on site or outside.
- ◆ Improvement of engineering capability and in situ technology for land remediation is important
- ◆ Recognition that contaminated land can contribute to societal challenges. Therefore, making contaminated land profitable is important
- ◆ Contamination site investigation must be taken into account at an early stage for risk identification before remediation decisions can be taken. This you are experts on and I just want to remind you.

What happens after the conference?

- ◆ Good working relationship between authorities and Industry in site remediation
- ◆ Prospect for development of local and regional net working platform (establishment of Africa Forum on Land Remediation)
- ◆ Authorities will continue to support industry in relation to site remediation as has always been the case.