

## A Gender Impact Analysis of Kusile and Medupi Investment on Employment by Economic Sectors in South Africa: Application of Social Accounting Matrix

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### Abstract

Gender equality has for many decades been at top of both local and international developmental agenda. Very few economists have recently started to appreciate “gender equality and women empowerment” as intrinsic part to development, if in any way a state need to achieve sustainable development. While on the other hand, infrastructure development is a pre-requisite for economic growth and development; gender equality has been neglected as an integral part of infrastructure planning, implementation, operationalisation and maintenance. It is evident from the findings that electricity industry is male dominated hence the females job opportunities remains lower than that of males in this industry. Across all economic sectors, more males will benefit in terms of employment compared to females which reflect extent the of gender inequality in South African Labour Market.

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