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Dedication

For

My wonderful parents:

late mom Ausi Tshidi Mmusi and my living dad Bra Pule Mmusi.

Thank you folks for your love!

Abstract

The restructuring of the Greater Johannesburg Metropolitan Council (GJMC) under the plan iGoli 2002 was part of the broader restructuring initiatives of the economy and social institutions in South Africa after the advent of democracy. Johannesburg is particularly important for any study that examines local government, not only due to its socioeconomic and cultural prominence but also because the plan represented a test case for the restructuring of the local government fraternity. The report examines the restructuring plan in the context of South Africa's development trajectory since the country was ushered into a democracy. The report examines not only what the iGoli 2002 plan represents in development terms, but organised labour's policy responses to the changes that were imminent in Johannesburg.

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