

The logo for Gestalt Growth Strategies, featuring the word "gestalt" in a bold, lowercase, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a graphic of a honeycomb pattern made of yellow hexagons, with one hexagon in the center being a darker shade of brown.

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**BEE-Cause**

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## **The Requirements for Empowering Supplier Status delayed indefinitely**

We can now confirm that Dr. Rob Davies, Minister of Trade and Industry, has determined that all companies will automatically be recognised as Empowering Suppliers until further notice.

This applies to valid B-BBEE Verification Certificates, Exempt Micro Enterprise and relevant Qualifying Small Enterprise Sworn Affidavits and CIPC Certificates that have already been issued in terms of any Code as well as all verification that is in process or is yet to commence.

One of the more contentious requirements that was included in the Amended Codes of Good Practice and the Amended Sector Codes, that are in various stages of approval and implementation, was the Empowering Supplier Status, without which all companies, other than Exempt Micro Enterprises, would be excluded from any recognition in Preferential Procurement.

The requirement had good intent. It was meant to advantage companies that focused on localisation and value-add. It was, however, mired with complex and unclear compliance and measurement criteria. Significant effort was made to clarify and improve it, but in the end the Minister made the correct decision to grant the status to all companies until the rules are cleared up.

*Gestalt is a specialised BEE consultancy. We can assist you to develop and implement your BEE strategy and make sure that you don't miss a point for your next verification.*

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### **More about Gestalt**

Gestalt is a BEE Strategy and economic empowerment consultancy that operate in South Africa and Africa. Gestalt owns Veri-Com, a Level 2 B-BBEE SANAS Accredited Agency.

Our group CEO is on the board of ABP (Association of BEE Professionals)

### **Things we can do for you**

- Get ready for the Amended Codes.
- Sort out your Skills Development.
- Get the right Black Partner.
- Get a firm grip on supplier transformation.
- Turn BEE into a competitive advantage.

### **Workshop**

Book your seat and get guidance from our CEO, as you navigate your organisation's challenges and opportunities on the BEE front. Expect to either be put at ease or be woken up from an unrealistic comfort zone.

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