

# Mine scoops top award

Palabora Copper scooped the 2017 Limpopo Productivity Corporate Sector Award

Palabora Copper has won the 2017 Limpopo Productivity Awards for its energy saving management programme. The 2017 Limpopo Regional Productivity Awards ceremony was held in Modimolle in Waterberg District Municipality on 31 August 2017. Palabora Copper's energy saving programme is coordinated and managed by Palabora Copper's Asset Management Division led by Mr Zakes Malepe as the General Manager.

The Productivity Awards are managed by Productivity SA which has been established in terms of section 31 (1) of the Employment Services Act, No. 4 of 2014, to amongst others; lead and inspire a productive, competitive South Africa and improve productivity culture by diagnosing, advising, implementing, monitoring and evaluating solutions aimed at improving South Africa's sustainable, growth, development and employment through increased competitiveness. Consequently, the Productivity Awards aim to promote a culture of increased productivity in the workplace (in philosophy and practice) and reward productivity improvements projects that encourage market competitiveness and prevent job losses.

Palabora Copper (PC) was selected for its energy saving programme which was termed as one of the sustainable projects in the mining industry and South Africa. Speaking at the award giving ceremony, the External Affairs and Communications Manager for Palabora Copper, Lydia Radebe indicated that PC's energy saving management programme is coordinated and implemented by Palabora Copper's Asset Management Division and its objective is to



**CORPORATE SECTOR WINNER: CEO of Productivity SA, Mr Mothunye Mothiba, External Affairs and Communications Manager for Palabora Copper, Ms Lydia Radebe and MEC for LEDET, Mr Seaparo Sekoati, MPL, after announcing Palabora Copper as the ultimate Corporate Sector Winner for Limpopo Productivity Awards.**

identify energy cost saving projects in order to reduce PC's energy consumption. "The management of Palabora Copper led by our CEO, Mr Han and his EXCO team always encourage employees to be creative and find solutions that will ensure sustainability of PC to ensure continued benefit for employees, stakeholders and communities. Thus, on behalf of PC management, we dedicate this award to our employees and communities," Radebe said

During the Award handing ceremony, Productivity SA affirmed Palabora Copper to be a leader that has created a sustainable energy saving model that is environmentally friendly and sustainable at the same time.

Palabora Copper competed against 11 contestants and emerged as the 2017 Limpopo Productivity Winner thus receiving the ultimate winner gold trophy and a finalist certificate. Palabora Copper will thus compete at national level in October 2017.