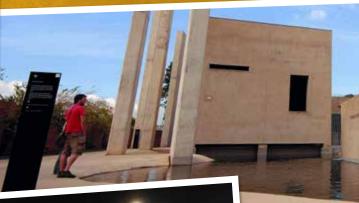
# FUTURE CHAMPIONS 2016 GAUTENG SOUTH AFRICA











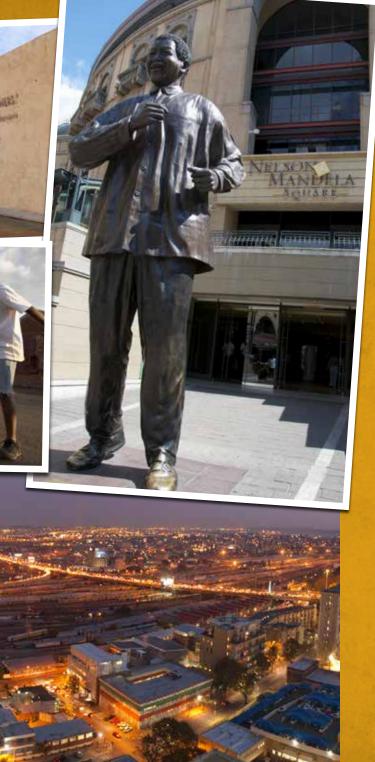






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# WHERE A CULTURAL, SOCIAL AND SPORTING REVOLUTION BEGAN LONG AGO.

The jewel in the crown of South Africa now shines brightly as a beacon of hope for a glorious nation which uses its struggles of the past to inspire a golden future.

A fiercely-proud province bursting with colour, character and charm. Glowing with ambition and imagination. Standing tall as a country which shrewdly identified the power and popularity of football to make it far stronger. The catalyst was a natural energy and enthusiasm for sport, allied to a desire for progress in a forward-thinking community.

For the best part of a decade the Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament has been a central part of this important journey. A showpiece soccer tournament which has touched the lives of thousands of youngsters since it began in 2009.

Transformative programmes have stimulated social and educational cohesion across the globe, integrated players and coaches worldwide and provided an opportunity for new talent to emerge. Future Champions is a powerful platform for host cities and countries to showcase their rich cultural heritage, world-class infrastructure and diverse landscape. It connects top clubs and academies with football, business and government across five continents.

Year-round events culminate in a momentous week of competition that transcends barriers of language, race and religion in a true celebration of the beautiful game. Future Champions International is regarded as one of the world's most prestigious and elite under 17 club tournaments. It educates young players, allowing them to gain experience and exchange football cultures in the real spirit of the game.

Teams have a unique opportunity to compete against the world's best and hone skills in an environment that prepares them mentally and physically for the demands of a professional arena. Extensive media coverage, including live broadcasts in dozens of countries, puts the Host City/Province in the spotlight, exposing a new audience to its renowned tourism sites. It promotes investment and stimulates the economy of the host city and country. In addition to the football, there is a widespread cultural programme of activities, excursions and events.



The Schools Cup began the trail towards ultimate Future Champions glory with new winners emerging in 2016.

Rosina Sedibane Modiba Sport School toasted their first success, although they faced an anxious wait before they could celebrate becoming provincial schools champions.

The final against Clapham High School was delayed because of bad weather, but Rosina Sedibane Modiba Sport School made up for lost time with a 1-0 victory thanks to a decisive goal from David Mosako - the 101st goal of the 16-team tournament.

The match was played towards the climax of the Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament, adding extra spice following a week of intensive action at Isak Steyl Stadium at the Vaal University of Technology.

The Schools Cup had been won previously by Johannesburg Secondary School (2013 and 2015), Mohloli High School (2012) and the School of Excellence (2014).

In the last four, Rosina Sedibane Modiba Sport School beat Kingsway Secondary School while Clapham High overcame Thutolore Secondary School 5-2.

The four semi-finalists progressed to the Gauteng Cup, a stepping stone to the International Tournament.

















# GAUTENG CUP

Gauteng's top football clubs and development teams descended on Eldorado Park in a battle for victory and a chance to compete against the world's best, with the Future Champions Gauteng Cup deservedly taking its place as one of the most competitive U17 provincial tournaments in the country.

The tournament produced a thrilling weekend of football with all qualifiers coming from the academy teams of Premier Soccer League sides. Kaizer Chiefs, Mamelodi Sundowns, Bidvest Wits and Black Aces finished top of their pools, sealing a place in the prestigious Future Champions Gauteng International.

The Gauteng Cup Final was played a month later in Soweto, with Mamelodi Sundowns crowned the 2016 Champions after beating off the challenge of their rivals. They will now represent Gauteng and South Africa at the renowned world's leading junior football tournament in Shenyang, China, in August.

> Around 1,600 teams from across the globe will participate in the various age groups at one of the largest junior tournaments in the world, giving the Sundowns youngsters another chance to hone their skills among the best.

It was a close run thing as Bidvest Wits had to settle for second place on goal difference after contesting a hard-fought and exciting Final.

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# INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

#### THE TEAMS

Belgium and Spain made their debuts at the 2016 edition of the Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament, adding to its wide global reach.

Atletico Madrid and Club Brugge were welcome additions to the party which included four previous winners.

Torino from Italy were back to defend their crown and joined by Brazilian giants Clube Atletico Mineiro, Shandong Luneng from China and Club Tijuana of Mexico. Those clubs would all present a powerful challenge with the other half of the 12-strong field comprising teams from Africa.

Ferroviario de Maputo, from Mozambique, returned for a second year running while Orlando Pirates FC qualified as winners of the previous year's Gauteng Cup.

The four Gauteng Cup qualifiers for 2016 were Kaizer Chiefs, Mamelodi Sundowns, Bidvest Wits and Black Aces.

#### THE DRAW AND MEDIA LAUNCH

The Draw and media launch was held in front of a packed audience at SAFA House a week before the tournament.

It was broadcast on SuperSport and beamed across the continent with other leading media outlets providing coverage for radio, print and online publications.

The MC was SAFA Communications Officer Mathomola Morake and dignitaries sharing the top table included representatives from Gauteng Provincial Government, the City of Johannesburg, SAFA.

A draw for the Soweto schools competing in the Adopt-a-Team programme took place before the main Draw.

























#### THE FORMAT

The 12 teams were split into four groups of three teams with past winners kept apart. Each team played the other two sides in the group, plus a crossover game, with the winners of each section progressing to the semi finals.

> The remaining clubs took part in classification matches to determine positions five to 12. All matches were two halves of 30 minutes.

#### ELIGIBILITY

The tournament was open to players from each club team born on or after January 1, 1999. All players were required to present their passports or ID issued by their Government to prove eligibility.

#### THE VENUE

South Africa boasts one of the world's finest sporting facilities with the Football Training Centre in Pimville, Soweto. This magnificent complex has inspired many similar set-ups around the world with its superb modern facilities. Opened by the Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger during the 2010 FIFA World Cup<sup>™</sup>, it is recognised as the established home for Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament. Facilities include stateof-the-art pitches, dressing rooms, medical room, media centre, internet area, VIP roof areas, warm-up area and coaching arena for Future Coaches training sessions.

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#### **VIP TREATMENT**

Each squad was given VIP treatment throughout the duration of their stay in Gauteng as a matter of priority. Such respect and courtesy was essential to ensure that players and officials were afforded maximum comfort and convenience, enabling them to prepare for the competition. The star treatment was considered vital for a tournament of such stature and prestige. Each party received police escorts, the careful planning and attention to detail being rewarded as the tournament went exactly according to plan.



An increase in live coverage reflected the growing stature of the 2016 Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament. South African television broadcaster SuperSport screened four matches live on each day to underline the host nation's commitment and investment in youth football. Every match was streamed on the official website www. future-champions.net and there was extensive coverage across the written and broadcast press, both in South Africa and across the globe. The eight countries which had clubs competing provided exhaustive coverage and social media sites such as Twitter and Facebook meant news was shared worldwide within seconds of a goal being scored. These outlets also provided instant analysis and reaction to the results. In addition, the official web sites of the teams followed progress closely.



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# KOPANONG HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTRE

Players, coaches and officials were accommodated at the Kopanong Hotel and Conference Centre close to Johannesburg.

Here, at this luxurious retreat, the spirit of Africa is very much alive. The hotel's peaceful surroundings provide a relaxing escape from the hustle and bustle, making it the ideal location for an enjoyable stay.

The Kopanong Estate has 56 fully detached chalets with a total of 168 bedrooms, all tastefully furnished to reflect the vibe of this world-famous destination.

The Kopanong is renowned for its exemplary level of service and outstanding cuisine. The African influence is everywhere whether dining in the Moshate Restaurant, sampling the ambience of the Imbizo Bar or sipping cocktails on the Pool Terrace.

Leisure facilities include a gym, sauna, swimming pool, Jacuzzi, sun bed, squash court and beach volleyball. A Health Hydro offers soothing therapy and beauty treatments.

Kopanong means 'place of meeting' in Sesotho and is a popular haunt for all who choose to stay here.

The hotel, which has complimentary wifi, is situated in the city of Benoni, only minutes away from Johannesberg International Airport making it easily accessible by air and road.

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CLUBE ATLETICO MINEIRO (BRAZIL)



**ORLANDO PIRATES** (SOUTH AFRICA)













**CLUB TIJUANA** (MEXICO)



CLUB BRUGGE (BELGIUM)





MAMELODI SUNDOWNS (SOUTH AFRICA)









FERROVIARIO DE MAPUTO

(MOZAMBIQUE)



TORINO FC (ITALY)



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Representatives and dignitaries from Gauteng Provincial Government, SAFA and the City of Johannesburg took part in the official proceedings, along with Future Champions Ambassador, Refilee Jane, and embassy representatives from Mexico, Spain, Italy, Mozambique and China. Director of Sport for the City of Johannesburg,

Mr. Siyanda Mnukwa, welcomed all to the city, followed by a keynote address from the Chief Director of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation in Gauteng, Mr. Ivor Hoff.

Orlando Pirates and Kaizer Chiefs walked into a packed stadium of schoolchildren and fans, accompanied by children from special needs schools including Gresswold Senior School, Kwaggasrand Special School in Tshwane and Pro-Practicum School in the West Rand as their team mascots. The ceremony was broadcast live on SuperSport, with the choirs of Thaba-Jabula Secondary School and Emshukantambo Secondary in Soweto performing the national anthem.

# day one

### THE TOURNAMENT BEGINS

Clubs travel from far and wide to send their talented youth squads to the prestigious Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament.

Club Tijuana, located on the Mexican border with California, flew more than 10,000 miles to fly the flag for their country in a competition in which they have excelled.

The Mexicans, who won the title in 2013 and were runners-up the following year, opened their campaign here against local favourites Mamelodi Sundowns.

Daniel Lopez gave the Central American side the lead before Pitso Tlotlego, who is still eligible at under-14 level, scored a second half equaliser.

Atletico Madrid enjoyed a 3-0 success against Ferroviaro de Maputo while Torino were held to a 1-1 draw by impressive local side Bidvest Wits. Agostino Rizzo had given the Italians the lead with Sibusiso Dlamini equalising.

Kaizer Chiefs were the only South African side to suffer defeat on the opening day, going down to a goal from Indio for Clube Atletico Mineiro in a hardfought encounter. It might have been different but for a late penalty save by Mineiro goalkeeper Mendez.

Shandong Luneng drew 1-1 with Black Aces and Orlando Pirates secured a 1-0 win over Club Brugge. Thabiso Monyane was on target for the Buccaneers.















#### MATCH RESULTS

Torino FC	1	v	1	Bidvest Wits
Atletico Madrid	3	v	0	Ferroviario de Maputo
Mamelodi Sundowns	1	v	1	Club Tijuana
Shandong Luneng	1	v	1	Black Aces FC
Atletico Mineiro	1	v	0	Kaizer Chiefs
Orlando Pirates	1	v	0	Club Brugge

#### GROUP A

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Atletico Mineiro	1	1	0	0	1	0	+1	3
Orlando Pirates	1	0	0	0	1	0	+1	3
Kaizer Chiefs	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0

#### GROUP B

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Mamedlodi Sundowns	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Club Tijuana	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Club Brugge	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0

#### GROUP C

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Atletico Madrid	1	1	0	0	3	0	+3	3
Black Aces FC	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Shandong Luneng	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1

#### GROUP D

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Bidvest Wits	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Torino FC	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Ferroviario de Maputo	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0







# THE BEAT GOES ON

Teams were treated to a special night of drumming at the end of their first day of competition, led by the impressive troupe that makes up Drum Café. The beat of the drum brought them together in an interactive evening of festivities. Players and coaches alike took part in the powerful event showcasing the heart of Gauteng's culture and rhythm. It was the ideal icebreaker for teams from different countries to cross barriers of language and nationality in a celebration of music and dance, setting the tone for the rest of the week.



### THE ACTION HEATS UP!

Orlando Pirates produced the biggest surprise of the six group matches on the second day with a 3-1 victory over three-time winners Clube Atletico Mineiro.



Lyle Foster scored twice for the Pirates and a third goal from Katlego Cwinyane stunned the Brazilians who could only manage a consolation from Igor.

A further goal from Oscar Clemente earned Atletico Madrid a semi-final place courtesy of a 1-0 win over Shandong Luneng.

The Spaniard were assured top spot in their group when Torino defeated Black Aces 2-0 through goals from Nahuel Jose Busato and Agostino Rizzo.

Mamelodi Sundowns and Club Brugge played out a goalless draw to leave both both sides searching for a first win in the competition.

Club Tijuana triumphed 2-0 against Kaizer Chiefs with goals from Edgar and Daniel Lopez, his second in consecutive matches.

Bidvest Wits claimed the biggest win of the day overcoming Ferroviario Maputo 4-0, with two goals from Shungu Dutiro, and further strikes by Ethan Andrews and Muzomuhle Khanyi.

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#### MATCH RESULTS

Shandong Luneng	0	v	1	Atletico Madrid
Club Brugge	0	v	0	Mamelodi Sundowns
Kaizer Chiefs	0	v	2	Club Tijuana
Ferroviario de Maputo	0	v	4	Bidvest Wits
Orlando Pirates	3	v	1	Atletico Mineiro
Black Aces FC	0	v	2	Torino FC

#### GROUP A

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Orlando Pirates	2	2	0	0	4	1	+3	6
Atletico Mineiro	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
Kaizer Chiefs	2	0	0	2	0	-3	-3	0

#### GROUP B

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Club Tijuana	2	1	1	0	3	1	+3	4
Mamelodi Sundowns	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	2
Club Brugge	2	0	1	1	0	-1	-1	1

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TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Atletico Madrid	2	2	0	0	4	0	+4	6
Black Aces FC	2	0	1	1	1	2	-1	1
Shandong Luneng	2	0	1	1	1	2	-1	1

#### GROUP D

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Bidvest Wits	2	1	1	0	5	1	+5	4
Torino FC	2	1	1	0	3	1	+2	4
Ferroviario de Maputo	2	0	0	2	0	2	-1	1



### THE FINAL GROUP GAMES

The strength of South African football was underlined as local sides Orlando Pirates and Bidvest Wits reached the semi-finals of the 2016 Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament.

Bidvest Wits striker Shungu Dutiro is rated as one of the country's hottest properties and showed another glimpse of his outstanding skills with two goals in a 3-1 win over Shandong Luneng. It took his tally for the tournament to four to lead the goalscoring charts.

Orlando Pirates topped their pool after a 1-1 Soweto derby with fierce rivals the Kaizer Chiefs. Lebohang Lesako grabbed the opener for the Chiefs who were denied by a late goal from Njabulo Ngcobo.

Orlando relegated highly-fancied Atletico Mineiro into second position on goal difference, despite their 2-1 success over Mamelodi Sundowns for whom under 14 player Pitso Tlotlego was again on the scoresheet.

La Liga giants Atletico Madrid kept up their 100 per cent record with a slender 1-0 win over Black Aces.

Defending champions Torino ended the pool stage with an emphatic 4-1 victory over Ferroviaro de Maputo with a hat-trick from Alessandro Iacuaniello.

Club Brugge claimed their first win at the third attempt with a 1-0 win over Club Tijuana who topped the group on goal difference. Murad-Han Gonen scored the goal which put the Belgians into the semi-finals.





#### MATCH RESULTS

Bidvest Wits	3	v	1	Shandong Luneng
Atletico Madrid	1	v	0	Black Aces FC
Torino FC	4	v	1	Ferroviario de Maputo
Atletico Mineiro	2	v	1	Mamelodi Sundowns
Kaizer Chiefs	1	v	1	Orlando Pirates
Club Tijuana	0	v	1	Club Brugge







#### GROUP A

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Orlando Pirates	3	2	1	0	4	2	+2	7
Atletico Mineiro	3	2	0	1	4	4	0	6
Kaizer Chiefs	3	0	1	2	1	4	-3	1

#### GROUP B

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Club Tijuana	3	1	1	1	3	2	+1	4
Club Brugge	3	1	1	1	1	2	-1	4
Mamelodi Sundowns	3	0	2	1	2	3	-1	2

#### GROUP C

TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Atletico Madrid	3	3	0	0	4	0	+4	9
Shandong Luneng	3	0	1	2	2	5	-3	1
Black Aces FC	3	0	1	2	1	4	-3	1

#### GROUP D

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TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Bidvest Wits	3	2	1	0	8	2	+6	7
Torino FC	3	2	1	0	7	2	+5	7
Ferroviario Maputo	3	0	0	3	1	11	-10	0









# CELEBRATORY DINNER

A celebratory dinner for all teams and invited guests took place midway through the tournament at the Kopanong Hotel. A local dance troupe specialising in gumboot dance entertained the teams, along with local music played by DJs. Teams took part in the festivities by showing off their moves and freestyle beats in a special X Factor dance-off.

















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# DAY FOUR

### GAUTENG'S MAGICAL MIXTURE OF TOURIST ATTRACTIONS DRAW MILLIONS OF VISITORS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD.

The 12 teams were given a sightseeing tour of these famous landmarks which help make this province such a jewel in South Africa's crown.

The excursions, kindly hosted by Gauteng Tourism Authority, included a trip to Maropeng, the official visitor centre of the Cradle of Humankind.

One of eight World Heritage Sites in South Africa, it is widely recognised as the place from which all of humankind originated. The site has unearthed the best evidence of the complex journey our species has made to make us what we are today.

The party was also taken to Vilakazi Street, Soweto, home to two former Nobel Peace Prize winners in Nelson Mandela and human rights activist Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

Players saw Mandela's house which has been converted into a national monument to one of the world's most revered statesmen and the Hector Pieterson Monument built in remembrance of the first victim of the 1976 student rising.

Also on the itinerary was a stadium tour of Soccer City, venue for the first FIFA World Cup™ on African soil in 2010.

No doubt memories of Spain's 1-0 win over the Netherlands in the final came flooding back for the Atletico Madrid squad although they would have been much younger back then.

Words could not describe the magnificent wildlife at Lion Park. Any visit would not be complete without a glimpse of the zebras, giraffes, antelopes, lions, hyenas and cheetahs.

Animals at large reflecting South Africa's natural habitat, a safari adventure which helps make this beautiful country such a wonderful tourist playground.

Acknowledged as one of the world's pre-eminent museums dealing with racism and legislated segregation, the Apartheid Museum provides visitors with a powerful opportunity to understand the legacy of apartheid in South Africa. Gauteng Tourism Authority arranged for teams to visit the museum, which proved to be a moving and unforgettable experience. The museum serves a beacon of hope, showing the world how South Africa is coming to terms with its oppressive past and working towards a brighter future.











### THE PLAY-OFF MATCHES

Mamelodi Sundowns created a record by registering the biggest victory in the history of the Future Champions International Tournament with an incredible 11-0 hammering of Ferroviario de Maputo.

The Mozambique side were swept aside as Siphamandla Ntuli turned the game into a personal triumph with six goals to jump to the top of the individual scoring charts.

Pitso Tlotlego and Likhanyile Ndlendle each scored twice with Musawenkosi Mdhluli getting the other goal for the South African outfit.

For the record, the previous highest score was a 7-0 victory for Ghanaian side Nania FC over Mohloli Secondary School in 2012.

The host country would be represented in the final for second consecutive year after Bidvest Wits overcame Club Tijuana 2-1. Shungu Dutiro and Edson Khumalo were on target with Edgar Lopez the Mexican scorer. Their opponents in the final were Atletico Madrid who earned a tough 1-0 win over Orlando Pirates. Joaquin Munoz settled the contest as the Pirates tried desperately to force an equaliser. URUNTU - B

Torino claimed a 1-0 play-off success against Club Brugge thanks to Alessandro Iacuaniello's fourth goal of the tournament.

Club Atletico Mineiro, for once out of the running for silverware, beat Shandong Luneng 1-0 and Kaizer Chiefs won the all-South African affair beating Black Aces 1-0.















#### MATCH RESULTS

Club Brugge	0	v	1	Torino FC		
Atletico Mineiro	1	v	0	Shandong Luneng		
Mamelodi Sundowns	11	v	0	Ferroviario de Maputo		
Kaizer Chiefs	1	v	0	Black Aces FC		
SEMI FINAL 1						
Orlando Pirates	0	v	1	Atletico Madrid		
SEMI FINAL 2						
Club Tijuana	1	v	2	Bivest Wits		







### THE FINAL DAY

A new name joined the impressive list of winners of the Future Champions Gauteng International Tournament as Atletico Madrid were crowned champions.

The Spanish La Liga giants defeated Bidvest Wits 2-1 in the final to deny the South Africans the honour of becoming the first side from the host country to lift the coveted under 17 title.

The Atletico goals were scored by Joaquin Munoz and Oscar Clemente with the reliable Shungu Dutiro grabbing the Wits goal. That took his total to six to make him the joint leading goalscorer for the tournament with Siphamandla Ntuli of Mamelodi Sundowns.

A South African side had lost in the final for the second year in a row after SuperSport United were beaten by Torino in 2015.

Club Tijuana secured the bronze medal with a 2-0 triumph over Orlando Pirates. Daniel Lopez doubled his tally to four for the tournament.

Torino could not emulate the heroics of the previous year, ending in fifth place with a 2-0 victory over Clube Atletico Mineiro while Club Brugge finished seventh in emphatic style with a 6-0 win over Shandong Luneng, all the goals coming from different players. Mamelodi Sundowns came ninth with a 1-0 win over Kaizer Chiefs, while Ferroviario de Maputo defeated Black Aces by the same scoreline.



















# CLOSING CEREMONY

Representatives from Gauteng Provincial Government, Global Sports International, the City of Johannesburg, Gauteng Tourism Authority and the Soweto Football Association led the official meet-and-greet on the pitch. The MEC for Gauteng Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation, Ms. Faith Mazibuko, gave the keynote address prior to the kick-off of the Final between Atletico Madrid and Bidvest Wits.

Embassy officials and LaLiga Future Champions Ambassador Christian Karembeu joined in the trophy celebrations, congratulating Atletico Madrid on their well-earned victory.

#### MATCH RESULTS

Ferroviario de Maputo	1	v	0	Black Aces FC
Mamelodi Sundowns	1	v	0	Kaizer Chiefs
Club Brugge	6	v	0	Shandong Luneng
Torino FC	2	v	0	Atletico Mineiro
Orlando Pirates	0	v	2	Club Tijuana
Atletico Madrid	2	v	1	Bidvest Wits

#### **PREVIOUS WINNERS**

YEAR	WINNER	COUNTRY	VENUE
2016	Atletico Madrid	Spain	Gauteng, South Africa
2015	Torino FC	Italy	Gauteng, South Africa
2014	Clube Atletico Mineiro	Brazil	Gauteng, South Africa
2013	Club Tijuana	Mexico	Gauteng, South Africa
2012	Clube Atletico Mineiro	Brazil	Gauteng, South Africa
2011	Clube Atletico Mineiro	Brazil	Belo Horizonte, Brazil
2011	Clube Atletico Mineiro	Brazil	Gauteng, South Africa
2010	Clube Atletico Mineiro	Brazil	Belo Horizonte, Brazil
2010	Shangdong Luneng	China	Gauteng, South Africa
2009	Boca Juniors	Argentina	Gauteng, South Africa

# FUTURE CHAMPIONS GAUT







GROUP A
Clube Atletico Mineiro (Brazil)
Orlando Pirates (South Africa)
Kaizer Chiefs (South Africa)

Bidvest Wits FOOTBALL CLUB

GROUP B
Club Tijuana (Mexico)
Club Brugge (Belgium)
Mamelodi Sundowns (South Africa)

GROUP C
Shandong Luneng (China)
Atletico Madrid (Spain)
Black Aces FC (South Africa)

GROUP D						
Torino FC (Italy)						
Ferroviario de Maputo (Mozambique)						
Bidvest Wits (South Africa)						

MONDAY 14 MARCH 2016						
Torino FC	1	v	1	Bidvest Wits		
Atletico Madrid	3	v	0	Ferroviario de Maputo		
Mamelodi Sundowns	1	v	1	Club Tijuana		
Shandong Luneng	1	v	1	Black Aces FC		
Atletico Mineiro	1	v	0	Kaizer Chiefs		
Orlando Pirates	1	v	0	Club Brugge		

TUESDAY 15 MARCH 2016						
Shandong Luneng	0	v	1	Atletico Madrid		
Club Brugge	0	v	0	Mamelodi Sundowns		
Kaizer Chiefs	0	v	2	Club Tijuana		
Ferroviario de Maputo	0	v	4	Bidvest Wits		
Orlando Pirates	3	v	1	Atletico Mineiro		
Black Aces FC	0	v	2	Torino FC		

WEDNESDAY 16 MARCH 2016							
Bidvest Wits	3	v	1	Shandong Luneng			
Atletico Madrid	1	v	0	Black Aces FC			
Torino FC	4	v	1	Ferroviario de Maputo			
Atletico Mineiro	2	v	1	Mamelodi Sundowns			
Kaizer Chiefs	1	v	1	Orlando Pirates			
Club Tijuana	0	v	1	Club Brugge			

GROUP A								
TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Orlando Pirates	3	2	1	0	4	2	+2	7
Atletico Mineiro	3	2	0	1	4	4	0	6
Kaizer Chiefs	3	0	1	2	1	4	-3	1

GROUP B								
TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Club Tijuana	3	1	1	1	3	2	+1	4
Club Brugge	3	1	1	1	1	2	-1	4
Mamelodi Sundowns	3	0	2	1	2	3	-1	2

GROUP C								
TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Atletico Madrid	3	3	0	0	4	0	+4	9
Shandong Luneng	3	0	1	2	2	5	-3	1
Black Aces FC	3	0	1	2	1	4	-3	1

GROUP D								
TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Bidvest Wits	3	2	1	0	8	2	+6	7
Torino FC	3	2	1	0	7	2	+5	7
Ferroviario Maputo	3	0	0	3	1	11	-10	0

















FRIDAY 18 MARCH 2016							
Club Brugge	0	v	1	Torino FC			
Atletico Mineiro	1	v	0	Shandong Luneng			
Mamelodi Sundowns	11	v	0	Ferroviario de Maputo			
Kaizer Chiefs	1	v	0	Black Aces FC			
	SEMI FINAL 1						
Orlando Pirates	0	v	1	Atletico Madrid			
SEMI FINAL 2							
Club Tijuana	1	v	2	Bivest Wits			

SATURDAY 19 MARCH 2016					
Ferroviario de Maputo	1	v	0	Black Aces FC	
Mamelodi Sundowns	1	v	0	Kaizer Chiefs	
Club Brugge	6	v	0	Shandong Luneng	
Torino FC	2	v	0	Atletico Mineiro	
Orlando Pirates	0	v	2	Club Tijuana	
Atletico Madrid	2	v	1	Bidvest Wits	

	FINAL STANDINGS
1	Atletico Madrid (SPAIN)
2	Bidvest Wits (SOUTH AFIRCA)
3	Club Tijuana (MEXICO)
4	Orlando Pirates (SOUTH AFRICA)
5	Torino FC (ITALY)
6	Clube Atletico Mineiro (BRAZIL)
7	Club Brugge (BELGIUM)
8	Shanding Luneng (CHINA)
9	Mamelodi Sundowns (SOUTH AFRICA)
10	Kaizer Chiefs (SOUTH AFRICA)
11	Ferroviario de Maputo (MOZAMBIQUE)
12	Black Aces FC (SOUTH AFRICA)





# FUTURE COACHES

Future Coaches fosters a unique and powerful programme of education and training, motivating and inspiring future leaders in sport.

This year's Future Coaches programme reached over a hundred youth and development coaches, educators, and other individuals interested in youth sports development throughout Gauteng. A Coaching Clinic was held during the week of the International Tournament, comprising two components: a SAFA D Licence Course, run by SAFA coaches, and an intensive Future Champions coaching course for women facilitated by an experienced international coaching expert. The course entailed a series of seminars, both practical and theoretical, with some of the coaching staff from participating teams in the International Tournament contributing their expertise.

Participants were exposed to some of the latest developments in youth training and leadership in football. Those participating in the SAFA course received a D Licence qualification, enabling them to develop as professional coaches.

One coach from the course was selected as the 2016 Future Coaches Ambassador. This year's coach is Christa Kgamphe from Tshwane. Christa is currently completing her Master's degree in Sport Management at the University of Johannesburg (UJ). She is also the Sport Secretary and Head of Basketball at St Mary's School Waverley.





Christa plays football for the UJ Senior ladies team as a Goalkeeper and assists with coaching basics for first-time goalkeepers. She is a trained conditioning coach and handles on-field first aid duties. Christa completed the Future Champions coaching clinic as well as the SAFA D License coaching course, with the intention of progressing to the next level of coaching in the near future.

As the 2016 Future Coaches Ambassador, Christa will accompany the three selected Future Players finalists to Spain later in the year, visiting LaLiga academies and training facilities. She will also become a leader of the Future Coaches programme, along with previous Coaching Ambassadors.

"The Future Champions coaching course is an amazing platform for coaches to apply themselves while learning. I benefited a lot from my participation and gained confidence as a coach in the male-dominated world of football. I was able to meet a network of female coaches, where we



shared ideas in a productive environment and had a space to grow. I particularly appreciated being able to learn some of the latest cuttingedge football techniques in coaching."

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Christa Kgamphe



# FUTURE Players

The Future Players programme provides an opportunity to 10,000 talented young players between the ages of 12-16 from schools and Local Football Associations across Gauteng, to showcase their skills.

This year's programme commenced with skills tests at the Future Champions Schools Cup, with Future Players events continuing until June 2016, aligning with the local football calendar. Thousands of eager players were assessed by those involved with the Future Coaches programme, with the Top 100 scorers invited to the Final in July. From this talented pool, the top 3 players were selected to represent Gauteng and South Africa as the Finalists.

In addition to the skills tests, Love Life leads a life skills curriculum at all major Future Champions events, utilising the popularity of football to educate and inspire youth to lead a positive, proactive and healthy lifestyle. Their groundbreakers seek to empower teenage boys and girls, whilst addressing the stigmas and habits that perpetuate the spread of HIV/AIDS.

Future Players is an aspirational and motivational programme aiming to keep teenagers engaged in healthy activities, often held in communities facing poverty, and substance abuse. It has provided a powerful opportunity to over 30 young players and coaches to embark on an international football trip, broadening their horizons and life experience.













### FUTURE Players Final

The winners of the 2016 Future Players Gauteng were selected in July. They will travel to Spain courtesy of LaLiga, accompanied by the Future Coaches Ambassador and representatives from Gauteng Provincial Government.

The 2016 winners are: Philani Kunene, 13, from Orange Farm; Prince Moeketsi, 16, from Kagiso; and Charlton Jade, 16, from Vereeniging.

As the first Future Players winner from 2009, Refiloe Jane, jetted off to Rio to represent South Africa at the 2016 Olympics, these aspiring players were presented with a winner's cheque by LaLiga at the Final. Hopefully they will follow in her footsteps and likewise take SA to glory!



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### FROM GAUTENG TO MANCHESTER

The 2015 Future Players winners flew to England in September 2015, along with the 2015 Future Coaches Ambassador and representatives from Gauteng Provincial Government.

The Future Players winners were Karabo Makhurubetshi from Thomas Mofolo Secondary School, Itumeleng Bereng of Mosupatsela Secondary School and Leonardo Rooi from R.W. Fick Secondary School, while Abel Malanda, a coach from Orange Farm, was the selected Future Coaches Ambassador.

The group travelled to England for a week, visiting top academies, clubs and stadiums in Manchester as well as being hosted in Sunderland by the Sunderland Football Club Academy. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience, as their horizons broadened with new opportunities and challenges. The life skills gained help to develop their selfconfidence and awareness, inspiring and motivating them with new motivations.

Since their return, Karabo has joined the national U17 women's team and represented South Africa at international tournaments, while Leonardo has been invited to attend the Football School of Excellence, paving the way for a bright future in professional arenas.

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"Being on a plane for the first time was an incredible experience! We arrived in Manchester to a warm welcome, with highlights of our time there being the visit to the National Football Museum and a tour of Old Trafford. I especially loved our time in Sunderland, exploring the academy and seeing a Premier

League match against Tottenham FC. I enjoyed everything in the UK. It was an amazing experience and I hope to go back there to play."

#### Karabo Makhurubetshi

"We really all felt like we were celebrities going to represent South Africa at the airport, as the crowd was singing nonstop and blowing vuvuzelas. It was a very special sendoff to the UK. When we arrived in Manchester, it felt like we had arrived to a home away from home. At Soccerex, we had the opportunity of meeting



Geoff Thompson, the former karate champion, who spoke about the work he's doing in the UK and South Africa, as well as Quinton Fortune and other legends of the game. I think it was an inspiring and incredible trip for all of us. I learnt so much from the coaches there. In my work back home, I hope to give back to the people of Orange Farm what I learnt in England. I am thankful to Future Champions and really appreciate this experience."

#### Abel Malanda

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### ADOPT A TEAM

The City of Johannesburg spearheaded a powerful 'Adopt a Team' campaign for Soweto schools surrounding the stadium during the International Tournament. Twelve schools were selected and each given a team to support throughout the week of the tournament. They displayed flags of their adopted countries and arrived at the stadium with faces painted and songs prepared, celebrating each victory of their team with great enthusiasm.

Children from each of the schools were selected as team mascots for the live televised matches, accompanying players onto the pitch with much fanfare and excitement.

#### THE PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS



PAUL MOSAKA PRIMARY SCHOOL KAIZER CHIEFS FC



PIMVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL SHANDONG LUNENG



BATSOGILE PRIMARY SCHOOL CLUB FERROVIARIO MAPUTO



**WISANI PS** ATLETICO MINEIRO



**NTHWELLA HLONGWANE PS** ORLANDO PIRATES FC



LULAMA PRIMARY SCHOOL CLUB TIJUANA





WELIZIBUKO PRIMARY SCHOOL CLUB BRUGGE

MOTJOLI PRIMARY SCHOOL ATLETICO MADRID



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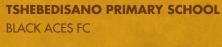


NKHOLI PRIMARY SCHOOL TORINO FC

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### FUTURE CHAMPIONS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers from all regions of Gauteng assist Future Champions at all events. Their enthusiasm, dedication and hard work contributes to the successful execution of this project. To all Future Champions Volunteers, we say: THANK YOU!

Student partnerships were initiated with the Vaal University of Technology and the University of Johannesburg as part of the Volunteer Programme. Students involved in the field of sports marketing were selected and trained to be part of the Future Champions team; they in turn were able to complete the necessary work experience for their programmes of study. The students gained invaluable experience and skills with the opportunity of working on such a large-scale project.

















"Volunteering for Future Champions has been a wonderful tool for growth in every aspect of my life; it wasn't just acquiring work experience but growing as a person, as a future employee going forward."

Palesa Magetla - VUT student

"We had the opportunity of meeting different people from across all paths of life, even from around the world, which really broadened our social outlook and network."

Xolani Munisi - VUT student

"Working on Future Champions, it felt like we were part of something much bigger than football. We were part of a team that motivated us every day, where we could carve out new skills and improve existing ones."

Rainy Mahatlane - VUT student







GAUTENG PREMIER MR DAVID MAKHURA "We are delighted to once again host the Gauteng Future Champions, which showcases the best footballing talents not only in our province but also around the world. Football is a huge part of our communities across the province and we have made it our goal to better serve the people of Gauteng in all our engagements with them. It is why we launched the Ntirhisano service delivery model in 2014 that has been such a huge success and why we continue to make delivery to our people a top priority."



GAUTENG MEC FOR SPORT, ARTS, CULTURE AND RECREATION MS FAITH MAZIBUKO

"We are truly excited to have this opportunity to not only catch a glimpse of future internationals from around the world, but also from our very own Province. All five Gauteng teams competing this year have a rich history of developing players for the local game and this makes for compelling viewing for any South African football fan, allowing us to once again show that Gauteng is the enabler of sporting excellence!"



#### GAUTENG MEC FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MR LEBOGANG MAILE

"It is an honour to have introduced players from around the world to our South African heritage and the hospitality that Gauteng is renowned for. We believe that following their future success, players will look back to this tournament for its immense contribution to their international footballing experience. I would also like to extend my thanks to Global Sports International for their continued belief in the project and Gauteng as a host, as well as all other stakeholders who are crucial to making this project the success that it is today."



GAUTENG MEC FOR FINANCE MS BARBARA CREECY

"The Future Champions Gauteng is the perfect platform to give young learners the chance to grow their self-esteem and revel in the healthy lifestyle that comes with playing sport. Gauteng is the Home of Champions and through powerful programmes such as Future Champions, the rich talent among our young people can be nurtured both on and off the sporting fields."



#### GAUTENG MEC FOR EDUCATION MR PANYAZA LESUFI

"Future Champions is vital in helping to educate our learners and players about being responsible citizens. We are proud to have provided educational and sporting programmes to tens of thousands of learners down the years and we know that a great many of those have been able to change their view of the world based on these experiences. We are delighted to be a part of this exceptional project."





#### SAFA COO MR MTHOBI TYAMZASHE

"We should give praise to the Gauteng Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation for the way they have embraced the Future Champions Gauteng concept and afforded these youngsters the platform to showcase their skills. Since 2009 we have seen many players and coaches come through our programme and go on to represent our junior national teams, not least current national Under-20 coach Thabo Senong, who also acts as assistant to Bafana Bafana coach Shakes Mashaba."



#### CHAIRMAN, SOWETO FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

MR PHIL MOGODI

This project started in Soweto and it has been remarkable to see its expansion in Gauteng and South Africa. Soweto Football Association has been proud to contribute to this growth. Future Champions provides a unique platform for our players to develop, learning from their peers around the world in a highly competitive arena. We look forward to the future with every confidence that Future Champions will continue to be one of the best U17 tournaments in the world.



### PRESIDENT OF SAFA GAUTENG

"We must thank tournament director Ray Whelan for giving attention to developing our coaches as well as our players, we have many more up-and-coming coaches that will help to improve our football in the coming years. And for our players there is much to be learned as they come up against contrasting styles of play and tactics that many have never seen before. This project gives us all a glimpse into the future international stars that we are sure will one day grace some of the biggest stages in world football and even, perhaps, lift the FIFA World Cup trophy.



#### GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DIRECTOR, SCHOOL SPORTS

MR CEDRIC RANCHOR

"For these young boys to interact with learners from all around the world has a significant educational value and we urge all the teams to come together in the spirit of friendship and comradery. There is much to learn from each other and we are happy to welcome our guests from around the world so that they can enjoy their stay in our Province and learn what makes South Africa such a special country."



#### HEAD OF GAUTENG CONVENTION AND EVENTS BUREAU

MS NONNIE KUBEKA

"One of the great benefits to the players of the Future Champions Gauteng is the fact that we provide them with numerous excursions and opportunities to learn about Gauteng and South Africa outside of football. We don't believe in leaving them holed up in their hotel rooms, but rather want them to experience all we have to offer as a Province. Certainly the players have shown great appreciation for this."



#### MMC FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: CITY OF JOHANNESBURG

MR CHRIS VONDO

"We believe we are a world-class city and one that has much to offer our visitors. Football is very much in the fabric of our city with so many top teams situated here and the real passion that our citizens have for the game. We are therefore proud to host such a prestigious junior tournament once again and are delighted to have welcomed players from around the world."





# Legacy partnerships



#### Future Champions spearheaded various partnerships with organisations and companies to foster ongoing legacy initiatives and activities.

LaLiga provided merchandise and kit to thousands of learners and fans at all Future Champions events, with a special investment in the adopted school of Atletico Madrid, Motjoli Primary School in Soweto. LaLiga will be sponsoring the Future Champions trip to Spain later in the year, bringing SA's top young talented players and a promising coach to their worldclass academies and training facilities. Clinix provided Soweto-based medics for the Future Champions tournaments, bringing their professionalism and quality healthcare to the pitch.

HIP (Hellenic Italian Portuguese Alliance) held various activities throughout the International Tournament, with the support of the Italian and Greek embassies. A number of dinners and events were held during the week for players and those involved with the Future Champions project, as well as a networking lunch on the final day of the tournament, with Italian delicacies and entertainment on display. Nkholi Primary School in Soweto, who adopted Torino FC during the tournament, was in turn adopted by HIP. Kit, merchandise and gear was provided to the school, with ongoing initiatives taking place following the tournament.

FC Brugge and Black Aces FC have similarly adopted their schools in an ongoing alliance, providing the schools with kit and other merchandise.



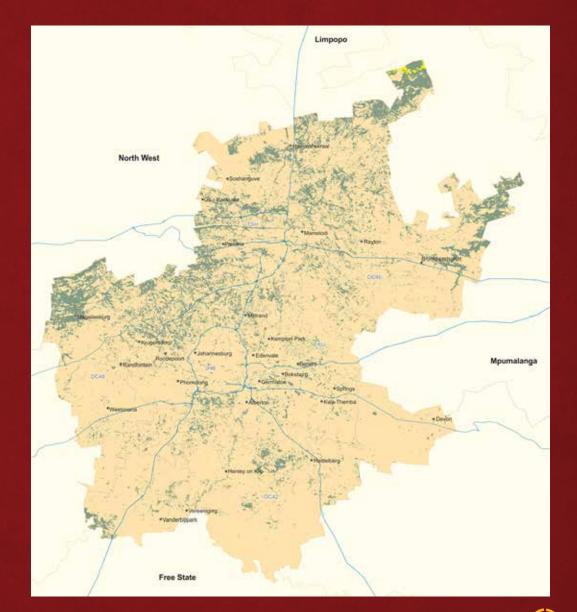
## THANK YOU GAUTENG

To the Local Football Associations, fans, players, school children, volunteers, drivers, cleaners, groundsmen, referees, caterers, medics, police escorts, field marshals, DJs, media and service providers of Gauteng who helped to make the Gauteng 2016 Future Champions a success, we say: Thank You! We could not have done it without you.

In particular, we'd like to thank the following communities for welcoming us with their warmth. TOGETHER, MOVING GAUTENG CITY REGION FORWARD!

- SOWETO
- ELDORADO PARK
- VEREENIGING
- BENONI
- GA-RANKUWA
- KRUGERSDORP
- RANDFONTEIN
- ENNERDALE
- TEMBISA
- MAYFAIR
- EDENVALE
- KWA-THEMA
- RATANDA

- COSMO
- MAMELODI
- ALEXANDRA
- ORANGE FARM
- RANDBURG
- BALFOUR PARK
- **KEMPTON PARK**
- SPRINGS
- VANDERBIJLPARK
- KATLEHONG
- ROODEPOORT
- CULLINAN
- ATTERIDGEVILLE







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