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**STUDY VISIT TO BAVARIA, GERMANY
20-24 APRIL 2026**



A delegation consisting of the Speaker, Chief Whip of the Majority Party, nine Members, Secretary to the Provincial Parliament, and four administrative staff undertook an official study visit to Bavaria, Germany from 20–24 April 2026. This visit featured a series of high-level engagements with parliamentary, governmental, and institutional stakeholders based on the Memorandum of Intention (MOI) between the WCPP and the Bavarian State Parliament.

The delegation began with meetings at the Hanns Seidel Foundation and the South African Consulate in Munich, followed by exchanges with the Bavarian Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Forestry, and Tourism. Over subsequent days, delegates were formally received at the Bavarian State Parliament, where they participated in bilateral discussions with Members of Parliament, observed plenary proceedings, and engaged in committee-level meetings on environmental affairs, education, cultural affairs, agriculture, and economic development. Courtesy meetings were also held with senior Bavarian officials, including Dr. Florian Herrmann, Head of the Bavarian State Chancellery.

The programme further included engagements with the Bavarian State Criminal Police Office (LKA Bavaria) on forensic technology and hotspot policing, as well as collaborative discussions at the Hanns Seidel Foundation on joint policing projects with the Western Cape Government. Delegates visited Police Station 13 to examine facility management and policing practices and concluded with sessions at the Applied AI Institute of Europe, focusing on AI governance and regulation, and the Berufsbildungswerk Munich (BBW), where vocational training and campus facilities were showcased.

These engagements provided a comprehensive platform for institutional learning, and benchmarking across governance, security, technology, and education.