

# Handouts don't help Africa

AFRICAN leaders must move away from relying on handouts from Europe.

That will be the focus of the African Business Leadership Forum when it meets for two days in South Africa next month.

The Eskom Development Foundation's Joe Matsau said: "All of us on the continent need to work as partners. We have to identify conflicts in Africa and deal with them ourselves rather than wait for someone from another continent to do it for us.

"They start by helping, but end up calling the shots," he said.

NGOs, governments and private sector delegates from 30 African countries are to attend the conference from 12-14 October at Joburg's Sandton Sun Hotel.

The conference sponsors are Eskom, MTN, Honeywell and the SA Ports Authority. - DIKGARI RAMOTHATA