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Summary of qualifications

1983 - 1987

University of Pretoria

Pretoria, Gauteng

B.Sc. degree with Botany and Zoology as majors have been obtained in 1987 as well as a Higher Education Diploma.

1992-1996

University of Pretoria.

Pretoria, Gauteng

MBA (Masters Degree in Business Administration) obtained in 1996. This was done by studying part time and working full time. It consisted of 3 years of evening class to complete 16 subjects and a fourth year to complete a dissertation. The subjects included: Labour relations, Human Resource Management, Strategic Management, Financial Management and Project Management. The thesis was done in Entrepreneurship.

1997-2000

University of Cape Town.

Cape Town

Enrolled for the Ph.D. course in Energy and Sustainability in November 1996. The Ph.D. consists of one thesis. The title of the thesis was: 'Road Transport Requirements for Sustainable Growth in South Africa from an energy perspective.' This study included amongst others an investigation into the current transport system in South Africa and discusses several possible scenarios to curb air pollution, accidents, congestion and to increase the viability of public transport. Graduated 14 December 2000.

Recent Work experience

February 1996-
November 1997

National Department of Minerals and Energy.

Pretoria, Gauteng

Position Senior Energy Officer

Senior Energy Officer: Transport Energy.

December 1997-
March 1999

National Department of Minerals and Energy.

Pretoria, Gauteng

Position: Deputy Director: Energy Efficiency

After a restructuring process in the Department I became the Deputy Director Electricity Policy from 1 April 1999.

1 April 1999 – March 2000

National Department of Minerals and Energy.
Pretoria, Gauteng.
Position: Deputy Director: Office of the DDG: Energy

March 2002 - November 2004

National Department of Minerals and Energy.
Pretoria, Gauteng
Position: Director Electricity Supply

December 2004 - current

National Department of Minerals and Energy.
Pretoria, Gauteng
Position: Director Energy Efficiency and Environment

I received a lateral transfer on 1 March 2004 and became the Director: Energy Efficiency and Environment. My main responsibilities are the implementation of the Energy Efficiency Strategy which has agreed to targets in energy efficiency that has to be achieved by 2015 by all the different sectors in South Africa.

1992-2005

Papers presented

- Soil Conference in Rustenburg: Sorghum leaf lengths growth under different conditions of nitrogen and water application. August 1989
- Transport and Air Pollution Conference, Avignon, France “The impact of road transport on sustainable growth in South Africa from an energy perspective”, June 2000
- Investigating the Electricity Supply Industry restructuring from a Government Perspective to realise potential benefits of fundamental changes for your organisation. Paper presented at the 4th Annual Power Summit held from 21-23 November 2000, at the Holiday Johannesburg International Airport.
- 2nd Biennial Exploration Conference, 11-13 October 2000 Technikon RSA, Johannesburg Investigating the Electricity Supply Industry restructuring from a Government Perspective
- Energy South Africa Conference, 5 August 2002, Sandton Sun Towers, Restructuring the electricity industry in South Africa.
- 3rd Annual Power Quality Summit, 14 and 15 May 2003, Holiday Inn, Johannesburg International Airport “How Government’s restructuring of the electricity industry will impact the quality of supply of electricity in South Africa.
- AMEU Conference, 25 – 27 August 2003, Royal Agricultural Showgrounds, Pietermaritzburg, The Multi Market Model for a restructured Electricity Supply Industry in South Africa.
- Domestic Use of Energy Conference, 29 – 30 March 2005, University of Technology, Energy Efficiency in South Africa with specific reference to Appliance Labeling.
- Eskom Capacity Building Conference, 3 – 5 May 2005, Monte Casino, Midrand, An Overview of the Energy Efficiency Strategy for South Africa.
- Commercial Use of Energy Conference 25 – 27 May 2005, Table Bay Hotel, Cape Town, An Overview of the Energy Efficiency Strategy for South Africa.