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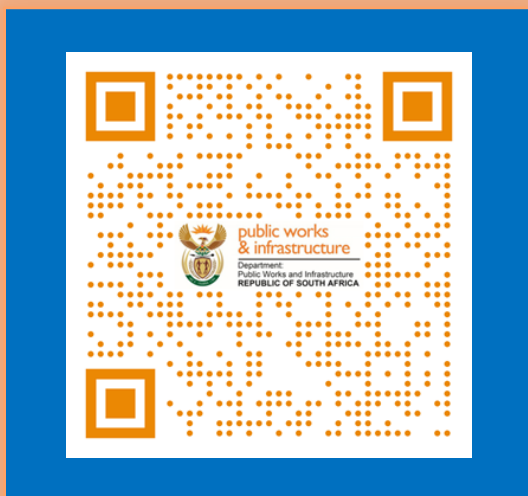


DPWI BIDS FAREWELL TO LONGEST SERVING DDG IN THE DEPARTMENT

After 24 years as a Deputy Director-General (DDG) in the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, Ms Lydia Bici has bid farewell to the Department.

Ms Bici, who has been the longest serving DDG in the Department since her appointment on promotion on 1 October 1999, leaves the post of DDG Professional Services. She previously served as DDG: Policy, Research and Regulations.

Public Works and Infrastructure Minister Sihle Zikalala and Deputy Minister Bernice Swarts have conveyed gratitude to Ms Bici for her long service and contributions she has made in the Department and wish her well as she starts a new chapter of her life.



MS ABRAHAMS STEERS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Ms Carmen-Joy Abrahams has been appointed as the new Deputy Director-General (DDG): Professional Services with effect from November 2023, moving from her previous position of DDG: EPWP.

Ms Abrahams has over 23 years of public sector experience in various sectors. Before her appointment as DDG, Ms Abrahams had been a Chief Director: EPWP Partnership Support from 2010.

The Minister and Deputy Minister welcomes and wishes Ms Abrahams well in her new role.



NEW DDG FOR EPWP ANNOUNCED

Mr. Ntokozi Chonco has been appointed as the new Deputy Director-General (DDG): Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) with effect from November 2023. He brings to the department over two decades of public sector experience.

Mr Chonco has worked across all three spheres of government. He worked at eThekweni Municipality as Head of Community Participation and Action Support, where he directed relevant sector programmes, ensuring that gender/people with disabilities/ children/ the elderly and youth are considered and their needs institutionalized into the Municipality's business plans, policies and practices.

He also worked for the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Cooperative Governance & Traditional Affairs as Deputy Director-General: Traditional Affairs for 6 years; as well as for the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Arts & Culture, as Head of Department from 2017 to 2022.

The DPWI welcomes Mr Chonco and trusts that every DPWI family member will give the new DDG maximum support to ensure that the Department continues to execute its mandate.

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