

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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SKILLS DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT No. 97 OF 1998): CALL FOR NOMINATIONS OF SUITABLE CANDIDATES REPRESENTING INTERESTS OF EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROVIDERS TO SERVE AS THE MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL SKILLS AUTHORITY (“NSA”)

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, Minister of Higher Education, Science, and Innovation hereby, in terms of section 6(2)(e) of the Skills Development Act, (Act 97 of 1998), as amended (“the SDA”), invite nominations for suitable candidate representing interests of education and skills development providers, for appointment to serve as the member of the National Skills Authority (“NSA”) for the period from date of appointment to 31 January 2025. The NSA is a statutory body established in terms of section 4 of the SDA (1998) as amended.

The primary function of the NSA is to advise the Minister on matters of national skills development and strategy, in accordance with section 5 of the SDA (1998) as amended. Members of the public and/or the NSA constituencies are invited to nominate persons, to be considered for appointment as member of the National Skills Authority to serve the remaining term of the fifth (5th) Authority, ending on 31 January 2025, and in accordance with section 6(1)(e) of the SDA.

The persons nominated for the appointment as a member of the NSA must amongst others, meet the following requirements:

1. must be a South African citizen,
2. must demonstrate possession of a shared vision for the development and improvement of the skills of the South African workforce, and be committed to the skills development policy outcomes, including the Skills Development Act, the NSDP, the NDP, White Paper on PSET System, amongst others.
3. represents the interests of stakeholders identified in the National Skills Development Plan (NSDSP).
4. have a blend and sound knowledge, skills and experience to carry out the functions of the NSA as stipulated by the Skills Development Act. These include sound knowledge and experience of corporate governance, skills development and training system, strategic management, public finance management act, knowledge of the South African PSET System, government-wide monitoring and evaluation system, amongst others.
5. must possess a fit and proper character, in so far as not fitting any or more of the following profile:
 - (i) A minor or any other person with a legal disability.

- (ii) Any person who is subject to any order under the Companies Act No 61 of 1973 or the repealed Act, disqualifying her/her from being a director.
- (iii) An unrehabilitated insolvent.
- (iv) A person issued by the Registrar with a sequestration order.
- (v) A person convicted of an offence.
- (vi) A person removed from an office of trust on account of misconduct.
- (vii) A person who has been convicted at any time (whether in the Republic or elsewhere) of: –
 - (a) theft, forgery or uttering a forged document, perjury, an offence under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1958 (Act No 6 of 1958), the Corruption Act, 1992 (Act No 94 of 1992); or
 - (b) an offence involving dishonesty or in connection with the promotion, formation or management of a company, and who has been sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine or to a fine exceeding R100.
- (viii) A person who has, in terms of an Act of Parliament, been removed from office due to the fact that he/she is not a fit and proper person to serve as a director or in the management or any other position of trust of the body in question due to theft, fraud, forgery, uttering a forged document, corruption, whether in terms of the common law or not, or any other act involving dishonesty.
- (ix) A person who is an employee or a board member of the entities the NSA has an oversight responsibility.

Nomination Particulars: Nominations of persons to serve as member of the NSA must be submitted to the Department of Higher Education, Science and Technology and must contain the following annexures:

- (a) nominee's curriculum vitae;
- (b) academic qualifications and/or proof of experience and identity document;
- (c) police clearance certificate; and
- (d) signed letter of recommendation/nomination explaining the nominee's suitability for appointment in terms of the criteria stated above.

Persons nominated shall be subjected to a selection and verification process.

No nomination will be considered unless all of the above are included.

Nominations must be submitted within 10 business days of publication of this notice in the Gazette, to the following addresses:

By E-Mail: mahlo.m@dhet.gov.za

By post: **The Executive Officer: National Skills Authority**
 Department of Higher Education and Training

**178 Francis Baard Street
Private Bag X174
PRETORIA
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Ndinaye House,
6th floor Office No. 6111
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Any enquiries in connection with this Gazette notice can be directed to Mr Mahlo MV,
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The term of office for the member would be from date of appointment ending 31 January 2025. The member will serve on a part-time basis. Remuneration of the member will be in line with the rates prescribed by the National Treasury.



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DATE: 08/03/2024