



MEDIA STATEMENT

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ECOSA Elects its First Female President

The Engineering Council of South Africa's (ECOSA) Sixth Term Council at a special meeting of 5 May 2022, elected its first female President, Ms Refilwe Buthelezi Pr Eng. It is critical to note that ECOSA has never had a female President since its inception and the election of the female President in the Engineering and Built Environment sector is a major milestone in giving effect and responding to the national agenda of transformation.

The appointment of a new ECOSA president comes amidst the untimely passing of President Mashao Lawrence Lebea Pr Eng in December 2021. ECOSA as a regulator has indeed found a befitting replacement and is thus in good and capable hands.

In her role as President, Ms Buthelezi will continue to provide strategic leadership to ECOSA to ensure it attains its strategic objective of becoming an effective regulator assuring engineering excellence as it continues to implement the 2020-2025 ECOSA Strategic Plan.

Ms Buthelezi will serve as President for the remainder of the term of Office of the Sixth Term Council, which runs from 2022 to 2025.

The Sixth Term ECOSA Council Members and ECOSA Staff would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Ms Buthelezi on this phenomenal achievement and wish her well in this new and critical role. We hope that the entire engineering fraternity will rally behind her in catapulting ECOSA in particular and the sector in general to greater heights.

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