

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY AUTHORITY BOARD

The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (the Authority) is pleased to announce the appointment of the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority Board (the Board), appointed by the Minister of Finance in terms of section 13 (1) of the Public Procurement Act of 2021 (the Act). The Board's appointment is with effect from 14th April 2022.

The Authority's mandate in terms of the Act includes setting standards and practices for the public procurement system, regulating and controlling the public procurement system. The Authority is also responsible for monitoring of performance of procuring entities and enforcement of compliance with the Act. The mandate of the Authority also includes providing and supporting capacity building and professionalization of public procurement cadre.



Ms. Motshidisi P. Moremi-Motshewa (FCIPS)
Board Vice Chairperson

Ms. Motshidisi P. Moremi-Motshewa- FCIPS is a seasoned supply chain practitioner with experience in procurement, inventory management, logistics, distribution, contracts management, fleet management and governance. Ms Moremi-Motshewa brings to the Board a wealth of experience in procurement having worked in real estate, telecommunications and mining sectors. She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply (CIPS) and enjoys training and undertaking supply chain consultancy on part time basis. She is one of the founding members who were instrumental in the formation of the CIPS Botswana Branch.

Ms Moremi-Motshewa currently oversees the procurement function at Mascom Wireless, and she is also a Mascom Pension Fund Trustee. She has served in the Government Audit Committee- (GAC) and is currently a Board Tender Committee member at Botswana Oil.

Her credentials include a Bachelor of Commerce Degree (B-Com), a Master's in Business Leadership (MBL), Master of Project Management (MPPM) and Post Graduate Diploma in Purchasing and Supply. She has attended a number of management development programmes.



Mr. Simon Tatolelo Meti
Board Member and
Chairperson of the Human
Resource Committee

Mr. Simon Tatolelo Meti is a highly skilled and seasoned Human Resources professional with extensive experience in labour relations, corporate strategy, HR policies development, reconciliation and mediation on labour issues.

He worked as Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Botswana Horticultural Market for four (4) years. He has also worked as a Human Resources Development Manager at Botswana Development Corporation for twenty three (23) years and the Department of Labour of the Botswana Government for 14 years where he held various positions, the last being Principal Labour Officer.

Mr Meti holds a Master's degree in Public Administration majoring in Labour-Management Relations from the University of Southern California. He has also attended courses in Development for Public Enterprises and Manpower Studies, and Advanced Labour Administration.

He has served on various boards and committees which include: Executive Member - Institute of Human Resources Management, Chairman - SADC DFRG, HR Forums, Chairman - Botswana Hotel Development Company and Talana Farms, BURS, BPC, BNPC, and HRDC among others.



Mr. Gerald Nyadze Thihe
Board Chairman

Mr. Gerald Nyadze Thihe is a seasoned economist holding a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) from the University of Botswana and Swaziland as well as a Postgraduate Diploma in Development Economics from the University of East Anglia, Norwich, United Kingdom in 1981.

He began his career in the Public Service in June 1978 and was deployed to the then Ministry of Finance and Development Planning as an Assistant Planning Officer. He rose through the ranks until he was appointed Permanent Secretary for the then Ministry of Works and Transport. He held this role from September 2002 to March 2008, following which, he was assigned to establish the Transport HUB office, spearheading the initiative to develop Botswana as a centre of excellence in transport and logistics in the SADC region.

He is an economist with wide ranging experience in project planning, appraisal and management; procurement; leadership and governance; and has held various directorships at both parastatal and private sector level. Serving on these boards has exposed him to issues of good corporate governance and acquainted him with procedures and processes of diverse range of organisations. He served on the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Board (PPADB) as a Part-Time Director since November 2014 until 13 April 2022. Mr. Thihe was appointed to serve on the Public Procurement and Regulatory Authority Board from 14 April 2022 when the PPADB was transformed and re-established as the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority.



Mr. Andrew Nkaro
Board Member

Mr. Andrew Nkaro is a qualified Civil Engineer who has extensive experience in project management, engineering, public works and construction spanning a period of about 38 years. He is currently Deputy Managing Director at E.I.A Projects (Pty) Ltd. Mr Nkaro worked in the public sector at Roads Department and held several positions, which included Director of Roads, Chief Roads Engineer, Project Manager amongst others. He holds an Msc Construction Management, BSc Civil Engineering, Diploma in Civil Engineering Technology and Roads Technical Certificate.

Mr Nkaro has served as a member of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Board for over 6 years and as the Chairperson of the Human Resources Committee. He is a registered member of the Engineering Registration Board (ERB).



Ms. Matshidiso Rebecca Monkutlwatsi
Board Member

Ms. Matshidiso Rebecca Monkutlwatsi comes with a world of knowledge in the Internal Audit profession having been in the field for 23 years. Her career started in 1994 as a Supplies Inspector with the Department of Supplies in the then Ministry of Finance and Development Planning. She later joined the Department of Internal Audit still within the same Ministry in 1999 as an Internal Auditor. She was seconded as an Internal Auditor in different Government Ministries such as Ministry of Lands and Housing, Attorney Generals Chambers and Ministry of Local Government.

During her tenure as an Internal Auditor with the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning, she rose within the ranks from position of Internal Auditor in 1999 to Principal Internal Auditor in 2010. She joined the Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund in 2010 as an Internal Audit Manager and later went on to become Director of Internal Audit in 2015, a position she still holds.

Ms Monkutlwatsi underwent an Executive Development Program in 2016 with the University of Stellenbosch. She also holds various qualifications including Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (2007), Master of Business Administration (1998) and a Bachelor of Commerce- Accounting (1994).



Ms. Opelo Marata
Board Member and
Chairperson of Finance, Risk
and Audit Committee

Ms. Opelo Marata is a finance/accounting professional who possesses knowledge and experience from both Deloitte and Debswana, which spans over twenty-eight (28) years on Internal Audit, External Audit and Accounting. She is currently employed as a Finance Manager at Debswana Diamond Company. She possesses a Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting), Master of Business Administration (MBA) from University of Derby and is a fellow Member of the Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA)-UK. She is also a fellow member of the Botswana Institute of Chartered Accountants (BICA).

She has undergone various leadership development programmes including Management Development Programme (MDP) through the University of Cape Town. She currently serves in the Botswana Red Cross Society and Broadhurst Primary School boards, both where she serves in the Finance Committees

Ms Marata's broad experience includes Internal Controls, Financial and Operational Audits, Risk Management, Financial Management, Project Accounting, Project Management, Planning and Performance Reporting.



Mr. Ian Kebonemodisa Kebopetswe
Board Member

Mr. Ian Kebonemodisa Kebopetswe is a private attorney. He holds a Bachelor of Laws obtained from Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University and is a member of the Law Society of Botswana.

He has over 10 years' experience in law practice having worked in various law firms as a Law Research Assistant and Litigation Counsel. Mr Kebopetswe operates a private Law firm where he is managing director. He has extensive experience as a Consultant on Employment & Labour Laws, Administrative Law, Corporate & Company Law, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Procurement Contracts and Tender Management.

He has previously been a member of the Board of the then Botswana Premier League in 2014. Currently Mr Kebopetswe is a member of the Legal Committee of the Football Union of Botswana and further a member of the National Dispute Resolution Chamber (NDRC) of Botswana Football Association.

Mr Kebopetswe has previously served as a member of the Independent Complaints Review Committee (ICRC) under the old public procurement and asset disposal Act from 1 April 2021 until 14 April 2022 when the new public procurement Act was implemented and the PPADB was transformed and re-established as the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority.



Mr. Theetso Ntsima MCIPS, Msc, PGCE
Board Member

Mr. Theetso Ntsima is a Chartered Procurement Professional with fifteen (15) years of experience in procurement and supply chain management. He has extensive experience in procurement and supply chain management, tender evaluation, supplier relationship management, negotiation, spend analysis and development of invitation to tender.

He brings a wealth of experience in procurement having worked for Ministry of Education, Accountant General (Procurement), Botswana Defence Force, Office of the President and Ministry of Health. He has also worked for Institute of Development Management (IDM) as a Senior Consultant and currently works for Botswana Accountancy College as a CIPS Lecturer.

Mr Theetso Ntsima holds a Bcomm degree (Economics and Statistics), MCIPS, PGCE and Master of Science - Supply Chain Management from University of Bolton. He is a registered trainer and assessor with the Botswana Qualification Authority (BQA). He served as Deputy Chairperson of Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply (Botswana Branch) from 2016 to 2021.



Ms. Tumelo Motsumi
Acting Chief Executive Officer
and Ex-Officio Board Member

Ms. Tumelo Motsumi is a seasoned Economist and a procurement professional whose career spans over twenty-four (24) years having started with the then Botswana Technology Centre (BOTECH) in 1997 where she progressed to the level of Senior Economist until 2005 when she joined the Public Enterprises and Evaluation Agency (PEEPA) as a Business Analyst. In 2008 she joined the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Board (PPADB) as a Principal Procurement Specialist and rose to the position of Manager in 2013, Executive Director in 2017 and Acting Executive Chairperson in November 2021.

Whilst at PPADB, Ms Motsumi was responsible for devolution of the adjudication and award of tenders function to procuring entities which culminated in the amendment of the PPAD Act in July 2021, an amendment that ultimately transformed PPADB into the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority. When the Public Procurement Act was implemented on 14th April 2022, Ms Motsumi was appointed the Acting Chief Executive Officer.

Over the years, Ms Motsumi gained experience and skill in project appraisal and transfer of technologies to industry, different forms of privatization such as divestiture and outsourcing as well as procurement. She is also a BQA certified trainer and assessor in procurement.

Ms Motsumi's qualifications include Bachelor of Economics (1997), Master of Economics (2001) and MCIPS (2019). She also underwent a Senior Management Development Programme (SMDP) with the University of Stellenbosch in 2014. Other trainings she has undertaken include Project Management, Project Appraisal, Audit and Monitoring of Procurement, Designing High Performance and Sustainable Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) in Infrastructure, Health, Education, Security and Sports Sector and Procurement and Contract Management Procedures among others.