

Yasmin Forbes CD (SA)

Information Technology Executive & Business Consultant

Experienced Board & Technology industry executive with over 4 decades of extensive professional expertise and a significant track record of executive leadership. Strong diplomatic abilities & natural propensity for creating relationships & achieving consensus among a variety of stakeholders & teams across multiple geographies. Experience transverses Multi-National Corporations, Public Sector, Civil Society & Private sector in areas of Logistics (railways, ports, & pipelines), Marketing, Digital Platforms/systems & communications in the sphere of Business Development, Strategy, Sales & Research. National Technology Officer - Microsoft SA, Management -Oracle, Hewlett Packard, Novell & Canon.

Education

Chartered Director Institute of Directors, South Africa	2017 - 2018
Certificate in Social Sector Leadership University of California, Berkeley Hass School of Business	2017
Director Training 1/2/3 Institute of Directors, South Africa	2011-2017
Master in Business Administration Bond University, Gold Coast, Australia	2000 - 2002

Work Experience

Lead Independent & Non-Executive Director **2019 - present**

South Africa Institute of Chartered Accountants - SAICA

Specific duties revolve primarily around strengthening the chair's role, overseeing the chair's evaluation, and acting as a conduit of communication for other governing body members on any issues pertaining to the Chair.

- To lead in the absence of the chair
- To act as a sounding board for the chair
- Serve as a liaison between the chair and other members of the governing body as needed
- Handle shareholder concerns where normal channels of communication have failed to resolve them or where such contact is inappropriate
- Increase independence on the governing body if the chair is not an independent non-executive member of the governing body
- Chair discussions and decisions by the governing body on matters where the chair has a conflict of interest
- Lead the performance appraisal of the chair

Chairman

2020 - present

MOT SA, Cape Town

MOT South Africa is a non-profit, religiously and politically independent foundation tasked with funding, growth, achievement, and implementation of the MOT Concept - NORWAY, which was

SKILLS

- Strategic Planning
- Stakeholder Relationships
- Entrepreneurial Initiatives & Solutions
- Business Development
- Governance & Oversight of Academic Institution

INFORMATION

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LANGUAGES

- English
- Afrikaans



Work Experience CONTINUED

founded with the goal of creating a safer society by strengthening youth's robustness, awareness, and courage – courage to live, courage to care, and courage to say no – in schools and communities. Lead the board of directors, which is in charge of the NPO's overall governance. Responsible for ensuring that the management functions properly, that relevant issues are discussed, that effective decisions are made and implemented, and that meetings are conducted efficiently and in accordance with proper procedures.

Executive Director

2020 - present

Candor Governance – Cape Town

Governance, information and information-security governance, risk governance, and ethical leadership are some areas of expertise. Aligning with the best practices for absorbing and delivering practical solutions

Chair of Council

2018 - 2021

Member of Council

2015- 2018

University of the Western Cape

In addition to the Council's primary responsibilities, as chair, I was in charge of ensuring the integrity and effectiveness of the governance processes, as well as all matters pertaining to the University's governance and oversight. Among these responsibilities were the following:

- Establishing the University's mission and purpose
- Appointing the Vice-Chancellor and other senior managers
- Evaluating and supporting the Vice-Chancellor
- Ensuring good management
- Being accountable for financial resources and institutional assets
- Monitoring the transformation process
- Ensuring student access and success
- Ensuring good order and a safe campus environment
- Preserving institutional autonomy
- Establishing and serving on council committees

Board/Council Directorships

- Board Member, SAICA – Oct 2019 - present
- Lead Independent Member of Board – SAICA – Dec 2019 – present
- Chair of Council, University of the Western Cape – 2018 - 2021
- Council Member, University of the Western Cape - 2015 to 2018
- Convenor – University Council Chairs Forum (UCCF –SA) 2018
- Director, RESAF Nutrition - 2014 to present
- Trustee, Pegasus Trust - 2014 to present
- Non-Executive Director, Transnet SOC Ltd - 2011 to 2018
- Trustee, Transnet Second Defined Benefit Fund - 2012 to 2018
- **Civil Society**
 - Chairman of Milnerton Community Police Forum - 2012 to 2014
 - President of Lions Clubs of Cape Town - 2014 to 2015
- **Corporate**
 - Director, Head Africa Strategy, Mobacomm - 2011 - 2012
 - Sales Manager, Comms, Media, Utilities Transport, ORACLE SA - 2010 -2011
 - National Technology Officer, MICROSOFT SA - 2008 - 2009
 - Branch Manager CT, HEWLETT PACKARD SA - 2003 - 2006