



## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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Research and Statistics  
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➤ **RECENT POSITIONS HELD**

**February 2011 to date:**

**Head of Economic Research and Statistics Department,**  
**South African Reserve Bank**

**July 2006 to January 2011:**

**Deputy Director General, Economic Statistics**  
**Statistics South Africa**

**July 2003 to June 2006:**

**Professor and Head of School of Economics and Business Sciences,**  
**University of the Witwatersrand**

➤ **PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE**

**1996 to June 2003:**

**Executive Director: Trade and Industrial Policy Strategies (TIPS)**

**1995-1996**

**Director of the Trade Policy Monitoring Secretariat, University of Cape Town**

**1992-1995**

**Research Associate: Development Policy Research Unit (DPRU), University of Cape Town**

➤ **EDUCATION**

**1999: PHD (ECONOMICS) – University of Cape Town**

Thesis Title: The Structural Determinants of Intra-Regional Trade in Southern Africa: An Extended Gravity Model.

**1993: MA (ECONOMIC HISTORY) - University of Cape Town**

Thesis Title: 'Recent Developments in the South African Clothing Industry with a focus on Exports'.

**1990: BA HONOURS (ECONOMIC HISTORY) – University of Cape Town**

**1988: BACHELOR OF ART – University of Natal, Durban**

➤ **FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED AND OTHERS**

**MEMBERSHIPS**

1. Member of Monetary Policy Committee, South African Reserve Bank (8 years to date)
2. Member of the Financial Stability Committee, South African Reserve Bank (8 years to date)
3. Member of the International advisory Expert Group of –National accounts, United Nations (2009 to 12)
4. Member of the South African Stats Council and Chair of the Economic Sub-Committee (2012- 2018)
5. Member of the International Advisory Group on Global Think Tanks, International Development Research Centre, Ottawa, Canada (2010- 2013)
6. Non-executive Board Member of an Economics Consulting Company – Genesis Analytics. (2004-2006)
7. Appointed to Non-executive Director of a Listed Company – Peermont Global (2004-2006)
8. Board member of TIPS (Trade and Industrial policy Strategies) and Chair (2004)
9. Appointed to the Council of the Economics Association of South Africa (2001-2004)
10. Appointed to the Board of Governors, Institute of Trade and Sustainable Development, Geneva (2000 to 2004)
11. Appointed Member of the Editorial Board of South Africa's main Economics Academic Journal Editor – South African Journal of Economics – consulting editor for papers dealing with trade issue (2000)
12. Referee for an accredited Journal called Development Southern Africa, published by the Development Bank of Southern Africa (1997/8)

**FELLOWSHIPS**

**1993:**

- Awarded the Distinguished Visitors Fellowship at the Centre for the Study of the South African Economy, London School of Economics, London (June/July)
- Awarded the Ernest Oppenheimer Research Fellowship at the School of Oriental and African Studies, Centre for African Studies, University of London (January to April).

**1991:**

- Awarded the University of Cape Town Research Fellowship to complete MA thesis.

**OTHER****1994:**

- Invited as part of a delegation of trade policy experts by the American Government for two weeks (15-29 January) to tour the United States of America in order to meet bureaucrats, academics and the business community involved in trade policy issues.
- Invited along with a delegation from the South African Department of Trade and Industry to attend a fact-finding mission in Dar-as-Salaam, Tanzania (12-15 October) to participate in discussions with Southern African Development Community Trade and Industry officials concerning South Africa's trade and investment role in the SADC region.

**NOTE: Research, Publications and Conference Presentations are available on request.**