

MEDIA RELEASE

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

TO SERVE ON THE THIRD NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (NPC)

During the administration of 2009-2014, government introduced a long-term strategic planning as part of South Africa's development planning system, to ensure coherence and consistency of policies and efforts at all levels to achieve socio-economic transformation and shared prosperity for all in the country, in particular the poverty-stricken and disadvantaged majority.

To this end, the National Planning Commission (NPC) was established in 2010. Its role and functions are outlined in the Revised Green Paper, National Planning Commission of 2010. The NPC is an independent think-tank tasked with providing expert advice to government and the country on matters of South Africa's development, in particular poverty, unemployment and inequalities, taking a cross-cutting long-term perspective.

Commissioners of the NPC are appointed by the President for five years at a time, and are drawn from diverse sectors of society on the basis of their expertise and experience across different professional disciplines.

The first Commission was appointed in 2010, and was tasked with drafting the National Development Plan – Vision 2030 (NDP), South Africa's first long-term vision and strategic plan, which was adopted by the Cabinet and all political parties in Parliament in 2012. The second Commission was appointed in 2015, and focused on deepening of development planning priorities within government and various sectors of society, analysing implementation and resource allocation to NDP priorities, and highlighting advances, gaps and blockages. The NPC has produced over 30 outputs in the last five years - in the form research reports and position papers – as well as engaging with stakeholders from diverse sectors.

Nominations are hereby invited of persons to be considered for appointment to the Commission for the next five (5) years.

The next Commission will serve during the challenging aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic, in which economic and social recovery and reconstruction are the overarching priority, to build momentum towards achieving the NDP's 2030 goals.



The NPC will contribute to these efforts, supporting implementation, undertaking research into practical solutions to key binding constraints, and conducting stakeholder engagements towards consensus-building to move the country forward.

The expertise and experience of persons required to serve on the NPC includes: development planning; public policy and governance; economics; finance; industry and business; social protection; infrastructure development; science and technology; ICT and digital technologies; urban and rural (spatial) development and employment; agriculture and food security; energy; transport; education and skills development; health; water and sanitation; climate change; gender and women empowerment; youth development; communication – multimedia; public mobilisation and community engagement; social cohesion and nation building; futures research and scenario planning. The ability to make independent research and evidence-based decisions on matters is essential.

Written nominations must contain: full name and address of institution and/ or individual making the nomination; the nominee's signed acceptance of the nomination; and his/her Curriculum Vitae.

Nominees will be subjected to qualifications and probity checks.

Nominations are open for a 30-day period from 1 March to 31 March 2021.

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Details on how to submit your nominations, eligibility criteria and nomination forms are available at www.thepresidency.gov.za/ www.nationalplanningcommission.org.za

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