

SAQA ANNOUNCES MS NADIA STARR AS CEO



The Chairperson of the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) Board, Professor Peliwe Lolwana announces the appointment of Ms Nadia Starr as SAQA's incoming CEO.

Ms Starr currently serves as Executive NQF Operations at SAQA. Previously, Ms Starr has served in non-Executive Director, and Executive positions, including as the CEO of INSETA. She holds a Master of Education degree from University of Witwatersrand and undergraduate and postgraduate degrees from the University of Cape Town amongst other professional certifications.

Ms Starr will succeed Dr Julie Reddy on her retirement, from 1 December 2022. Ms Starr says "I am humbled by this appointment, which marks the culmination of a career focused on service through education. SAQA still faces many challenges related to the impact of the pandemic and subsequent restructure, but I am optimistic for the future based on a clear commitment to excellence from staff and a generosity of support from our Board, NQF family and other partners. We have an important mandate to execute, and my role will be to ensure that the organization is able to excel in doing so."

The SAQA Board takes this opportunity to wish Ms. Starr well in her new position and assures her and the entire SAQA team of its unwavering support to the stabilization and further development of the organization.