

# Strengthening Research and Innovation Management (SRIM) II

Research and innovation management for impact on driving national economies  
10-11 August 2023, Phakalane Golf Estate, Gaborone, Botswana



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## OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY

Phakalane Golf Estate Hotel and Convention Centre  
10 AUGUST 2023

**THEME:**

**Research and Innovation Management for Impact on Driving National Economies**  
**Director of Ceremonies: Mr. Phenyo Moroka**

- 07:00-07:45 **Registration of Delegates (Phakalane Resort Foyer)**
- 07:45-07:50 **Arrival of Guest of Honour: Hon. Thulagano Merafe Segokgo**  
*Minister of Communications, Knowledge & Technology*  
*MP - Tlokweng*
- 08:00-08:05 **National Anthem**
- 08:05-08:10 **Prayer**  
*Pastor Thapelo Kenosi*
- 08:10-08:20 **Introduction of Guests**  
*Dr. Morvyn Nyakudya: Dean, Ba Isago University & Botswana Symposium 2023*  
*LOC Member*
- 08:20-08:30 **Welcome Remarks**  
*Prof. Julius Athlopheng: CEO NARDI & SRIM II Botswana CFP*
- 08:30-08:50 **Remarks I: Overview of SARIMA & SRIM II**  
*Dr. Andrew Bailey: SARIMA President*
- 08:50-09:10 **Remarks II: SADC Secretariat**  
*Ms. Anneline Morgan: Senior Programme Officer: Science, Technology and Innovation: SADC*

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- 09:10-09:30 **Official Opening Keynote Address**  
Hon. Thulagano Merafe Segokgo  
*Minister of Communications, Knowledge & Technology*  
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- 09:30-09:50 **Q & A Session**  
All
- 09:50-10:00 **Closing Remarks & Vote of Thanks**  
Prof. Botsalano Mosimakoko: CEO BQA
- 10:00-10:10 **VIP Group Photo**

10:10- 11:00

TEA BREAK

11:00-12:30 **SRIM II: COUNTRY FOCAL POINTS: PANEL DISCUSSION**

**Session Chair:** Mr. Thapelo Kenosi

Manager, Research – Botswana Qualifications Authority

**Country Representatives**

**Angola:** Dr. Sandra Afonso- Director General, Centro Nacional de Investigação Científica (CINC)

**Botswana:** Mr. Abraham Mathodi Chief Research Science & Technology Officer, Department of Research, Science and Technology

**Mozambique:** Mr. Sergio A. M. Pereira - Auxiliary Researcher, Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education: Directorate of Science, Technology and Innovation

**Seychelles:** Mr. Joseph Raj - Principal Research Officer Innovation, Division of Science Technology and Innovation (DSTI)

**South Africa:** Prof. Lawrence Obi - Dean: School of Science and Technology, Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (SMU)