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# Patricia Nozipho January-Bardill (South Africa)

Name and first name: Patricia Nozipho January-Bardill

**Date and place of birth**: 21 August 1950

Working languages: English

#### **Current position/function:**

Self employed consultant in Corporate Communications, Public Affairs, High level government relations and stakeholder management. Serve on the Boards of the following Corporations and NGOs: Anglo Gold Ashanti, (SA) Afrisam Group,(SA); African Women's Development Fund, AWDF(Ghana) and Chair of AWDF Southern Africa; Chair of the Health and Welfare Sector Education and Training Authority (SETA) (SA); Chair of the Swiss South African Cooperation Initiative (SSACI) (SA);

## **Main professional activities:**

I am currently a consultant in the fields of Corporate Communications, Stakeholder Management, High level government relations and Sustainable Development. I also serve on all the boards listed above. The private sector experience has been invaluable especially from a good governance perspective. I am currently involved in assisting the Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) in creating a platform for communicating SA's role as President of COP 17 as well as assisting the SA Department of the Environment to communicate national responses to the challenges of climate change in preparation for November 2011. I take a keen interest in good governance and am able to use my authority as chairperson of 3 organisations (see current position and function) to protect and promote good governance in those institutions. When I joined MTN Group (Mobile Telecommunications Network, March 2007 – April 2011) as Executive for Corporate Affairs my main tasks were to develop Group strategies for Corporate Communications, Stakeholder Relations, High Level Government Relations and Sustainability Management. I continue to do this for other institutions in South Africa.

# **Educational background:**

BA English and Philosophy; Certificate in Education (University of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland, 1973); Masters in Applied Linguistics (University of Essex, UK, 1984) Diploma in Human Resource Management (Damelin South Africa, 1995); several short courses in Gender and Race Equality, Counselling, Neuro Linguistics Programming and Management Development.

## Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:

Served on the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and related Intolerance for 8 years between January 2000 and January 2008. Also served as South Africa's Ambassador to Switzerland and accredited to Lichtenstein and the Holy See between April 2001 and February 2005. Was promoted to the position of Deputy Director General in the SA Department of Foreign Affairs as Head of Human Capital Management and the Foreign Service Institute where all SA diplomats were trained and prepared for service abroad (Feb 2005 to March 2007). When I joined MTN Group (Mobile Telecommunications Network) in March 2007 as Executive for Corporate Affairs my main tasks were to develop Group strategies for Corporate Communications, Stakeholder Relations, High Level Government Relations and Sustainability Management. All these tasks will contribute directly to the work of any treaty body.

#### List of most recent publications in the field:

"The International Legal Response to Racism", in Dimensions of Racism, UN, NewYork and Geneva, 2005