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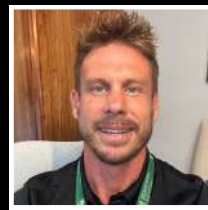
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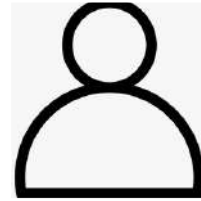
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90 MINUTES WORKSHOP

CASE STUDY

DIRECTORS' DUTIES AND LIABILITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL NON-COMPLIANCE UNDER SOUTH AFRICAN LAW



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UZANI V BP: THE CHALLENGES TO PRIVATELY PROSECUTING CORPORATE ENVIRONMENTAL OFFENDERS IN SOUTH AFRICA.



Gideon Kallie Erasmus
Member
Uzani Environmental Advocacy cc

KEY STRATEGIES TO BE DISCUSSED

- Land Owners Responsibility in relation to the legal framework for environmental governance under the National Environmental Management Act (NEMBA) and Alien and Invasive Species (AIS) Regulations.
- Understanding South Africa's Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process and its exploitation through crime and corruption.
- Legal binding and compliance of carbon trading
- Promoting Private Prosecution against Environmental Crimes in South Africa
- Hive theft and vandalism trends in South Africa
- Judicial oversight of waste water treatment and sewage spills: An environmental crimes perspective
- Discussing the harmful environmental impacts of air quality with specific focus on the South of Durban
- Imposing fines or business closures for non-compliance
- Immediate imprisonment for the illegal dumping of toxic raw materials
- Prosecution of mining companies contributing to dust
- Acid and chemical waste pollution
- Monitoring industrial processes
- Holding CEOs to account



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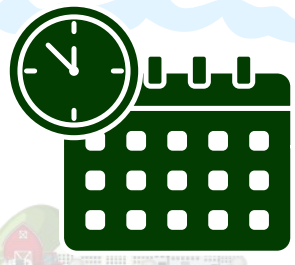


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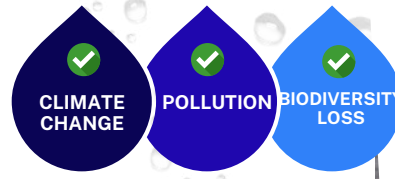
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Conference Day 1

23 JULY 2025



Registration will be taking place from **7:30am**

07:45 Opening remarks by chairperson

08:00 Land Owners Responsibility in relation to the legal framework for environmental governance under the National Environmental Management Act (NEMBA) and Alien and Invasive Species (AIS) Regulations.



Stiaan Kotze

Control Biodiversity Officer: Competent Authority

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES, AND THE ENVIRONMENT: SECTOR COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING

09:00 The impacts of highly hazardous pesticides and chemicals as key direct emitters of GHG's directly influencing the climate change adaptation strategies globally and how the multilateral agreements can be used to mitigate the risk.



Debbie Muir

Pesticide Risk Manager/ Biodiversity Officer Control: Grade B

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

10:45 Morning tea & networking opportunity

11:15 Judicial oversight of waste water treatment and sewage spills: An environmental crimes perspective



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12:15 Discussing the harmful Environmental impacts of air quality with specific focus on the South of Durban



Bongani Mthembu

Air Quality and Health Officer

SOUTH DURBAN COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL ALLIANCE

13:15 Lunch and networking opportunity

14:15 Uzani v BP: The challenges to privately prosecuting corporate environmental offenders in South Africa.

- **Environmental Accountability:** Private prosecution serves as a deterrent against environmental crimes by ensuring that offenders face legal consequences.
- **Empowering Civil Society:** Encouraging public participation in environmental governance and provides recourse for affected communities.
- **Public Awareness:** Highlights environmental issues and encourages stronger enforcement of environmental laws.
- **Creating an Environmental Crimes Hotline:** A tool to assist reporting violations that harm the environment, such as illegal dumping, pollution, poaching, or destruction.

CASE STUDY



Gideon Kallie Erasmus

Member

UZANI ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY CC

15:30 Open forum and discussion on outcomes

16:00 Closing remarks from chairperson and end of day one

What delegates had to say about ITC conference:

“Overall conference was extremely informative, had great speakers with knowledge and experience that have benefited me greatly”

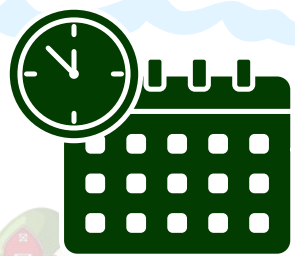
Head Risk & Compliance, IMPERIAL

“The practical side of presentations was excellent”

Deputy Director, DEPARTMENT OF WATER & SANITATION

“This conference enlightened me to recent developments that I should be aware of”

Environmental Senior SHE Training Advisor, ESKOM



Conference Day 2

24 JULY 2025



08:00 Opening remarks by chairperson

08:30 **DIRECTORS' DUTIES AND LIABILITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL NON-COMPLIANCE UNDER SOUTH AFRICAN LAW**

120 MINUTES WORKSHOP



Dimakatso Sefatsa
Centre for Environmental Rights
NPC



Tatenda Muponde
Centre for Environmental Rights
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10:30 Morning tea & networking opportunity

11:00 **The utility of the criminal sanction for environmental law transgressions in South Africa with keen focus on the 'brown' sector**



Melissa Strydom
Legal Consultant and Honorary Research Fellow
UKZN Law School
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11:45 **Exploring different tools for monitoring and reducing Air Pollution and Industrial emissions and its effect on the basic quality of life.**

- Case studies of illegal or unchecked emissions.
- Tools for monitoring and reducing air pollution.
- Imposing fines on companies contravening emission standards.



Ntombi Maphosa
Attorney
CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHTS NPC

12:30 **Raising awareness among local communities in reporting environmental crimes**

- **Assess rural Challenges:** Identify the specific environmental issues faced by the community
- **Cultural Sensitivity:** Understand local customs, traditions, and power dynamics that might influence reporting behaviours.
- **Community Workshops:** Organize interactive workshops to explain what constitutes environmental crime and why reporting it is essential.
- **Partner with local influencers** such as tribal leaders, teachers, and religious figures to advocate for environmental protection.



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13:15 Lunch and networking opportunity

14:00 **Hive theft and vandalism trends in South Africa**



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14:45 **Honeybee Security: Protecting South Africa's Pollinators from Environmental Crime**



Tumi Mobu
Strategic Partnership Director
SOUTH AFRICAN BEEKEEPING ORGANISATION (SABIO)

15:30 **Open forum and discussion on outcomes**

16:00 Closing remarks and outcomes from chair, end of conference

Who Should Attend:

Environmental Law Enforcement Agencies, Prosecutors and Legal Practitioners , Environmental Compliance & Risk Managers, Government Departments, Environmental Inspectors and Auditors, Environmental Health Practitioners and Managers, EIA Specialists, Policy Makers and Regulatory Authorities, Customs and Border Control Officials, Local and Municipal Environmental Units, NGOs and Environmental Advocacy Groups, Academic and Research Institutions, Industry Representatives , Environmental Consultants and Advisors, Community Leaders and Activists, Media and Environmental Journalists, Police and Intelligence Services, Judiciary and Magistrates

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