

**Ms Nadi Albino, Chief of Education, United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) South Africa**

*Ms Nadi Albino, has over 15 years of work experience in international development; specifically in gender, HIV/AIDS, education, early childhood development, child protection and social policy and planning. Her work at UNICEF includes advocacy, policy & implementation support in education. Over the years the DBE has enjoyed substantial support and collaboration from UNICEF under her leadership in support of the realisation of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), sectoral planning, capacity building, curriculum support, and strengthening management and accountability systems amongst other areas. Prior to her current position Ms Albino worked as a Chief of Section-IOC from 2005 to 2006 and an Education Officer at UNICEF from 2000-2005. She completed her education at the University of Sussex.*

**Ms Shirley Wakefield,CEO, Panda Keeper’ at Pondering Panda**

*Pondering Panda is a consumer insights company specialising in smart, innovative, real-time research, using mobile phones to engage with the youth. Connecting with thousands of young people daily, Pondering Panda has completed over 4.8 million interviews within their first 2 years of operating*

*Prior to joining Pondering Panda, Shirley was a Business Director at Instant Grass, an ethnographic research agency where she led the expansion of the agency across the Middle East & North Africa amidst the Arab Spring. A self proclaimed research geek, Shirley is a keen follower of cultural trends and an interested observer of the irrationality of human behavior. She’s passionate about the advancement of social impact initiatives through the utilisation of game changing research methodologies.*

**Martin Gustafsson, Researcher with the Department of Economics at Stellenbosch University and Advisor for the Department of Basic Education**

*Martin is a researcher with the Department of Economics at Stellenbosch University, from which he obtained his Masters degree in 2006. Currently he is completing a PhD on assessing the role of education in economic development. Martin is a part of the ReSEP team, but is based in Pretoria, where he works as an advisor for the Department of Basic Education. His areas of specialisation include the use of economics in education planning, the design of school funding policies, the economics of teacher pay, the demographics of schooling systems and cross-country comparisons of educational policy and performance.*

**Dr Faith Kumalo, Chief Director, Care and Support in Schools, DBE**

Dr Kumalo, joined the DBE in 2008 as Chief Director for Care and Support in Schools. She oversees programmes including school nutrition, HIV, drug and substance use, school health and more recently, TB and psychosocial support.

**Dr Thabo Mabogoane, Deputy Director: General, Outcomes Facilitation, Basic Education and Skills (DPME**

*Thabo Mabogoane has a PhD in the Economics of Education from Syracuse University. He has been a teacher of Maths and Science and spent four years as a Policy Analyst in South Africa’s national Department of Education, before joining JET Education Services as a Senior Research Specialist in 2007. He was recruited to the Performance Monitoring and Evaluation Unit in the Office of the President in August 2010.*

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**DATE:** 17 October 2013

**VENUE:** Department of Basic Education, Conference Centre Room B, 222 Struben Street, Pretoria

**CHAIRPERSON:** Chief Director of Strategic Planning, Research Coordination: Carol Nuga Deliwe

**PROGRAMME**



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NO	ITEM	TIME	RESPONSIBLE	ORGANISATION
TEA & REGISTRATION		08h00		
	WELCOME & OPENING ADDRESS Reflections on the basic education sector provisioning, system performance and issues of access, equity and inclusivity	08h30	SG Padayachee	Acting Director-General, DBE
	Post 2015 agenda on education in the regional development context	08h50	Dr O Chulu	United Nations Development Programme
	System performance and progress: access, equity, quality and efficiency based on evidence: GEQAF, Macro Indicators and other information in the sector	09h20	Dr S Taylor	Office of the DG, DBE,
	Discussion on items 2 and 3	09h50		All
	Provincial perspectives on system performance and progress and issues of access, equity and inclusivity in terms of learner performance (school level)	10h20	Ms Stella Mosimege	North West Provincial Education Department
	Learner Happiness Index	10h50	Ms Nadi Albino/ Ms Shirley Wakefield	United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)/ Pondering Panda
	Discussion on items 4 and 5	11h10		All
TEA (networking& exhibitions )		11h30		
	Progress in curriculum delivery and learner performance based on the analysis of national and international trends	11h45	Mr Martin Gustafsson	Office of the DG, DBE
	How the sector is responding (interventions) to issues around disability, mental health, HIV/AIDs and TB, nutrition, pregnancy, school safety, substance abuse and language, amongst others	12h10	Dr F Kumalo	Care and Support in Schools, DBE
	Reflections on 20 years of education in South Africa and the way forward-in support of the Action Plan to 2014: Towards the Realisation of Schooling 2025 & the National Development Plan	12h30	Dr T Mabogoane	Department of Performance Monitoring and Evaluation in the Presidency (DPME)
	Discussion on items 8, 9 and 10	13h00		All
	Closing Remarks	13h30	Chairperson	Acting Director-General, DBE
LUNCH		14h00		

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EXHIBITIONS

- Human Science Research Council (HSRC);
- United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), South Africa;
- Centre for Education Policy Development (CEPD)
- Joint Education Trust (JET) Education Services

BIOGRAPHIES OF PRESENTERS

Dr Osten Chulu, Regional Millennium Development Goals Policy Advisor, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Osten Chulu is the United Nations Development Programme Regional MDG Policy Advisor for Eastern and Southern Africa. Prior to this, he worked as economic advisor in UNDP Country Offices in Lesotho, Malawi and the Gambia. He also has worked academia, having taught economics at the University of Malawi and the Institute of Social Studies in the Netherlands, as well as serving as visiting lecturer at the university of Copenhagen. His area of specialization is econometric and macroeconomic modeling, and mathematical economics. He acquired his Masters in Economics from the Institute of Social Studies in 1990.

Dr Stephen Taylor, Researcher and Policy Advisor, Department of Basic Education

Stephen Taylor has been working in the Department of Basic Education as a researcher and policy advisor since 2011. Prior to that he worked in the Economics Department at the University of Stellenbosch where he completed a PHD focusing on the educational outcomes of poor South African children and how these outcomes relate to economic development within the country. During this time, Stephen also did consulting work for the National Planning Commission, the World Bank, the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC), the Ministry of Education in Botswana and JET Education Services.

Some of the main topics that Stephen has produced work on recently include: the impact of socio-economic status on educational outcomes; the performance of the independent schools sector; identifying indicators of effective school management; trends in education system performance in Southern and East Africa since 2000.

Stephen has worked extensively with large sample surveys of educational achievement. These surveys include the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS), the Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS), the Southern and Eastern African Consortium for Monitoring Educational Quality surveys (SACMEQ), the National School Effectiveness Study (NSES) as well as other Stats SA household surveys and DBE data such as Matric and ANA.

Ms Stella Banyana Mosimege, Director, Strategic Management Services, North West Provincial Education Department

Ms Stella Banyana Mosimege has been working in the North West Provincial Education Department since 1996 initially as a Deputy Chief Education Specialist in the Research Unit, then as a Deputy Director in Strategic Planning from 2003 and subsequently as a Director for Strategic Management Services in 2007. She completed her B.Ed Science at the University of Botswana and her Masters of Science at the Lancaster University in the United Kingdom. Prior to working in the North West PED she practices as a teacher and then lectured at the University of Botswana.