

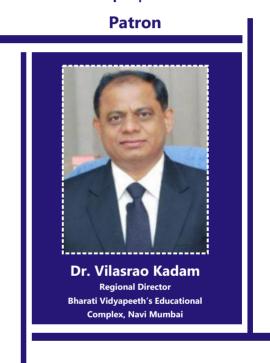
BHARATI VIDYAPEETH'S INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES AND RESEARCH, NAVI MUMBAI

Organizes International Symposium on

"Trade, Commerce, Bilateral Relations and Opportunities Between India & South Africa"

Date of the Symposium: 21st November 2020 (Saturday) | Time: 11:00am to 1:00 pm | Mode: Microsoft Teams

Hon. Dr. Vishwajeet Kadam Secretary, Bharati Vidyapith, Honble Misister Of State For Co-operation, Agriculture, Social Justice, Food, Civil Supplies Consumer Protection & Minorities Development



Chairperson



Warm Greetings from Bharati Vidyapeeth's "Institute of Management Studies and Research", Navi Mumbai. As life returns to normalcy the business growth will see a surge in the coming months. In the past several months, with the aim to maintain the momentum of imparting knowledge and new developments BVIMSR has conducted several National and International webinars. The webinars received an overwhelming response and have had huge success In line with this trend we are now arranging an International Symposium on "Trade, Commerce, Bilateral Relations and Opportunities between India and South Africa". South Africa is fast emerging as India's leading trade partner and the opportunities for trade is vast. The speakers for this symposium will be esteemed decision makers from South Africa who will throw light on bilateral trade relations with India.

About BVIMSR:

BVIMSR has been consistently ranked amongst the top B Schools in Navi Mumbai & Western India.

Recently BVIMSR has secured 16th rank nationaly as per the GHRDC survey. With a world class infrastructure at a serene location, BVIMSR provides a holistic environment for all around learning and development. It espouses the values of its parent body Bharati Vidyapeeth which has constantly over five decades endeavored to transform society through dynamic education.

BVIMSR prides itself on being a student-centric institute. Students here are entrusted with resources and responsibilities early on. They are encouraged to take important administrative and policy decisions that sculpt their future and that of the Institute. This facilitates their all-round development, over and above academic performance. The Students' Council at BVIMSR is the student body responsible and accountable for all activities on the Campus throughout the year.

BVIMSR has developed unique learning initiatives which have come to be the hallmark of the institute. These initiatives are the outcome of three decades of experience in the field of management education. They have been developed with the help of faculty, who are in touch with the industry's current needs and the active participation of the students themselves.

About the Programme

India's relationship with South Africa is both fundamental and unique, dating back several centuries and is anchored in common ideals, ideas, interests, and icons – like Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela. However, their bilateral relationship remained strained for a long time due to South Africa's apartheid government. After a gap of four decades, India re-established trade and business ties in 1993, after South Africa ended its institutionalized racial segregation. As two nations who have shared their struggle to freedom, the responsibility to improve the lives of others is embedded within India and South Africa's consciousness. India is South Africa's 5th largest export destination, and 4th largest import source and is the 2nd largest trading partner in Asia. Both countries are working to encourage trade quantities in the coming years. Bilateral trade between India and South Africa has increased from \$1.73B in 2001 to currently stands at \$10B. In 2016, both economies set the goal of multiplying bilateral trade and investment to \$20 billion by 2021. South Africa, especially Johannesburg is the favored location for plenty of Indian companies that have established their Africa headquarters.

The strong trade between India and South Africa is of substantial potential. The affinity between the two nations emanates immense promise for the future. India's trade complementarities have significantly increased with South Africa. India and South Africa are the two salient emerging economies of the world with a strong history of understanding. Keeping this in mind the symposium endeavors to throw light on the current state of bi lateral trade relations between India and South Africa and future growth potential in trade between the two countries. The symposium also assumes greater significance in light of the just concluded 12th BRICS Summit which deliberated on the theme "Global Stability, Shared Security and Innovative Growth". BRICS contributes to 30% of the world's GDP and covers 40% of the world population.

Resource Persons:



Ms. Andrea Kühn (Consul-General of South Africa in Mumbai)

She is the Consul-General of South Africa in Mumbai with the consular districts of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala, Goa, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Telangana. She joined the South African diplomatic service in February 1991. Ms. Kuhn served in various capacities in the Department of International Relations and Cooperation including the Private Secretary to the Deputy Minister of International Relations and Cooperation from 1998-2008. Prior to her deployment to India she was the Director South and Central Asia. Previous assignments abroad included the South African Consulate General in New York, US and the South African Embassy in Berlin, Germany. Ms Kuhn graduated in 1989 from University of Pretoria in South Africa with a law degree (BLC-LLB).



Mr. Dean Hoff

(Consul: Economic & The South African Consulate General – Mumbai)

Mr Dean Hoff has been with the South African Department of Trade and Industry since 2009. He is the Foreign Economic Representative from the **DTI** and presently accredited to the Consulate General of the Republic of South Africa in Mumbai as Consul: Economic affairs, with a primary responsibility of promoting South African exports into Maharashtra, Goa, Gujarat, Telangana and most of the Southern Indian States. Inversely also, the attraction, support and promotion of Indian investment into South Africa. Mr Hoff holds the post of Director in the South African Department of Trade and Industry and prior to assuming his current position in Mumbai, he served in the Investment South Africa Division - viz **InvestSA**. At **InvestSA** he was responsible for investment promotion in the Services Sector which included Oil and Gas, Infrastructure, Film and ICT enabled industries with a focus on BPS (Business Process Outsourcing).

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For Whom: Students, faculty Members, Corporate Professionals and entrepreneurs.

Platform: It will be online mode through Microsoft Teams Application.

How to participate in the Symposium

 a) Participants are Required to register by clicking on the following link https://forms.gle/HVej3cXE1LuFNd2UA

b) Participants are Required to Join by clicking on the following link

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

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Information about the link will be forwarded to the Participants through mail and Whatsapp Group. You are Requested to Join the Whatsapp group by clicking on the link given below:

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