

UCT COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2024 – CONVOCAATION NOMINEE



MAKOBETSA KHATI

CONVOCAATION NOMINATORS

- Prof Alphose Zingoni
- A/Prof Freedom Gumedze
- Prof Sudesh Sivarasu
- Prof Nonhlanhla Khumalo
- Prof Keertan Dheda
- Prof Mpiko Ntshekhe

STATEMENT OF INTENT

My intent is to serve on the UCT Council with aplomb and distinction in discharging fiduciary duties and concomitant prescribed responsibilities of the Council, for the significant success and sustainability of UCT.

My intent is to provide stewardship, which ensures welfare for all UCT's staff members and students by promoting enriched and conducive work and academic environment for teaching and learning excellence, research and innovation excellence, excellent service rendering and meaningful community engagement.

This intent will be achieved through collegial collaboration with other Council Members. My contribution to this collaboration, as a Council Member, will include my visionary and transformational ethical leadership. It will also include good corporate governance (King code) experience acquired through my membership of the Institute of Directors Southern Africa (IoDSA) and serving as a Board Member of the GreenMatter NPC for more than five years, as well as my executive level experience of nearly ten years at the NRF.

I commit to uphold the vision, mission, values, and culture of UCT.

BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE

1. PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Makobetsa Khati

2. CAREER PROFILE

A dynamic, self-effacing, visionary, and transformational ethical leader, with senior management, executive and board membership experiences at the national and international levels.

3. ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

BSc, BScMedHons, MPH (UCT); MScMed, DIC (Imperial College London); DPhil (Oxon).

4. PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

4.1. SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

2016-present: Executive Director: Research Chairs and Centres of Excellence, NRF, RSA

2011-2016: Competency Area Manager: Emerging Health Technologies, CSIR, RSA

2006-2010: Research Group Leader, Drug Discovery Competency Area, CSIR, RSA

4.2. HONORARY POSITIONS

2016-2020: Honorary Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, UCT, RSA

4.3. CURRENT BOARDS, PANELS & STEERING COMMITTEES SERVING ON AS A MEMBER

- *Ex officio* Steering Committee Member of the 15 DSI/NRF Centres of Excellence.
- Member of the DHET Research Output Evaluation Panel.
- Non-Executive Director & Board Member of the GreenMatter Non-Profit Company (NPC).
- Member of the Executive Evaluation Committee of the NRF for A & P Rated Researchers.
- Chair of the SHEQ Committee of the NRF Corporate & RIISA.
- Advisory Board Member of the Pan African Cancer Research Institute (PACRI).
- Inaugural Governing Body Member of the World Health Innovation Forum (WHIF).

4.4. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Institute of Directors Southern Africa (IoDSA), *Membership number: 39069060*.
- South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions, *Reg. number: 400343/11*.
- International AIDS Society (IAS), *Member ID 30552*.

5. FUND-RAISING: RESEARCH & INNOVATION GRANTS SECURED

- **R5.4 billion:** Ring-fenced contract research grants secured through the DST/DSI.
- **R470 million:** Research grants leveraged from the private sector and internationally.
- **R52 million:** Direct competitive research and innovation grants.

6. RESEARCH AND INNOVATION OUTPUTS

- 26 peer-reviewed international research articles (H-index: 16); 1 book and 1 book chapter; 53 conference presentations; 14 international patents and 1 biotech start-up company.

7. HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

- 5 master's students directly supervised to completion.
- 7 PhD students directly supervised to completion and 6 visiting PhD students trained.
- 8 postdoctoral fellows directly supervised and trained.

8. HONOURS AND AWARDS

- 20 Excellence and Merit Awards.