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## **SAFMA announces Marianne Botes as the new General Manager of SAFMA effective immediately**

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Following the extensive research to fill the General Manager's position at SAFMA, we are proud to announce Marianne Botes as general Manager of SAFMA.



On her appointment Marianne said;

*"I am grateful and would like to thank the Board for giving me this opportunity. It is a huge honour and I am truly humbled by your confidence in me.*

*I look forward to working with the SAFMA Directors as well as the SAFMA staff, our members and stakeholders".*

### ***Positive Outcomes***

5 new Directors were elected resulting in a number of changes having been made to make the newly elected board feel at home and be well adjusted for their roles/ portfolios.

- **Andrew Mason** was elected Chairperson
- **David Pierre-Eugene** was elected Vice Chairperson.
- **Juliet Widdicombe** was elected responsible for Marketing and Membership.
- **John Samuel** will remain responsible for the Professionalisation, Education and Training portfolio he will be joined by **Trevor Munian**
- **Rowland Gurnell** remains responsible for SAFMA Regional Chapters.
- **Craig Henry** was elected to handle SAFMA Standards.
- **Nathanial Reddy** was elected to handle Local Stakeholders Relations for SAFMA.
- **Cliff Hocking** was elected to manage the Knowledge Bank.
- **Stephen Pennick** will remain as SAFMA Treasurer.

**About SAFMA**

The South African Facilities Management Association (SAFMA) is a self-sustaining body recognised locally and internationally for its meaningful role in the South African Facilities Management Community.

SAFMA offers its members many benefits, including sharing expertise with other facilities management professionals in South Africa and internationally, access to an advisory service, networking events, establishing contacts overseas, keeping up-to-date on local and international facilities management trends.

The primary objectives of SAFMA are to facilitate, promote and support skills development for Facilities Managers through working with the Quality Assurance Councils and with Endorsed Training Providers - thereby enhancing skills supply. SAFMA aims to promote and encourage networking between Facilities Management Professionals to ensure an exchange of information and best practice. SAFMA also aims to be the only recognised voice of Facilities Management in South Africa.

SAFMA wants to represent the industry in public and private structures and initiatives to assure member interest, create a home for the industry for reference, knowledge, information and direction, and to promote awareness and growth of the facilities management industry both within the FM environment and business in order to grow the industry for the benefit of our members

SAFMA aims to provide the Facilities Management industry with a common voice and platform to influence policy makers and educate industry regarding Facilities Management, whilst also enhancing the credibility of Facilities Management through the professionalisation of Facilities Managers and FM companies.

SAFMA's mission is to be a self-sustaining body recognised locally and internationally for its meaningful role in facilitating recognition of the South African FM Community.

SAFMA's Vision is to support, represent and advance the cause and interests of the FM community on a sustainable and ever growing basis.

SAFMA is a SAQA-recognised and is a member of Global FM and the Property Sector Charter Council.



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