

## **Abridged profile of Vika Mpisane**

Vika Mpisane is the General Manager of the .za Domain Name Authority (.za DNA), which is the country code Top Level Domain (ccTLD) Manager for South Africa's domain name. He has broad experience in policy development in areas such as trade and industry, economic policy, labour, education, development and ICT development.

In addition to his role at .za DNA, Vika is a member & Treasurer of the Executive Committee of African Top Level Domains (AfTLD) since June 2006. In October 2008, he was elected into ccNSO Council with his term commencing in March 2009. Prior to his involvement in the Internet domain name space, he worked as Manager for Public Sector Marketing at Cortell International (a business software consulting firm), where he was responsible for developing and implementing its public sector marketing and sales strategy.

Before Cortell, he opened up his consultancy focusing on socio-economic research and policy development. He also worked as Programmes Director of NEDLAC (National Economic Development & Labour Council), a statutory body established to provide a negotiation platform for the SA government and its social partners (organized labour, organized business and civil society). His overall responsibility was to manage and oversee all the negotiation chambers, research and development, projects, processes, and financial and general management.

He also worked as a Transformation Officer at the University of Natal in SA, where he coordinated and managed transformation processes and business remodeling initiatives as part of opening up higher education access to previously disadvantaged people. He studied at the same University, and served as a member of the Students Representative Council and as a branch executive committee of the SA Students Congress.

He graduated with a B.Proc (undergraduate law) and LLB (Honours law) degrees from the same University in 1998.