



Message from the President

Rob Scott (DUT Financial Accounting)

I would like to take this opportunity to first thank our Communication Specialist Jana Lamprecht for the contribution she is making to get the SAAA's message out. We are being heard thanks to the efforts of each of us and for you Jana for creating this platform for us.

Lourens Erasmus (our national subject representative for Public Sector Finance and Accounting) invited either myself or Elmarie Papageorgiou (our Vice President) to pay a visit to Tshwane University of Technology later this month to present on the value of the SAAA. I was chomping at the bit to make this presentation so Elmarie agreed to let me do it. The season we are in certainly is a time and opportunity to communicate our value and purpose to our members, stakeholders, sponsors and all those interested in seeing our profession retain its rightful place in the local, regional and global economy. We all contribute to our vision in our own unique way and that is why it is such a privilege to serve this committee and our members.

In November I attended the opening of CPUT's (Cape Peninsula University of Technology) brand new School of Accounting and it was certainly an honour to be on the list of invited guests on behalf of the SAAA. CPUT is a very proud member and sponsor of this association both in finance and time. Our loved, past past president Willem Lotter and current treasurer Aletta Visser who is tirelessly serving us for a third term now, both come from CPUT including our regional chair for that region Andre Neethling. We certainly are grateful to you all at CPUT. Willem agreed to a co-option onto our executive committee

And for all the regional conference chairs please feel free to contact me for help in setting up your regional conferences this year, if you would like an executive committee delegate to be in attendance please let me know and I will gladly facilitate this. The sooner we get our regional conference dates and calls finalised the greater the impact on research capacity building. I hope and trust that our members and interested parties will get excited about the opportunity to present at our regional and national conferences, we always look forward to the excellent quality, relevant topics and intellectual debate each contribution brings.

Finally an opportunity to reflect on the great contributions made by Lana Hanner Weldon, our immediately past president and the crucial connections she has forged through her contributions to the IAAER (International Association for Accounting Education and Research). Lana a big congratulations for your opportunity to lead the IAAER council, and to the IAAER for their contributions in particular Donna Street, Katherine Schipper and Elmar Venter. You have been amazing and we are indebted to you for the efforts you put into research and building research capacity. I hope people are rushing to get the benefit of attending the next paper development workshop which will be held at our next conference. Our international associations are at an all-time high thanks largely to the efforts of our committee, international partners and our members. Ilse Lubbe (our national subject representative for Accounting Education) made a connection with BAFA (British Accounting and Finance Association) and has invited the editor of

to serve as a SAJAR representative for the period and it is up to us to make the most of this gesture. Charl Cox and Willem share a very good relationship and we certainly hope for great things coming from our close association with SAJAR (South African Journal for Accounting Research). So once again thank you CPUT and well done on a successful inauguration of your new school which incidentally took place in the height of the unrest last year, nothing was going to deter this team from a successful launch and I pray that the energy you have begun with goes way into the future! It was lovely to see the delegation from SAICA at this auspicious event too!

Our plans for the 2017 conference are moving ahead very nicely and within a short period of time we will be in a position to announce exactly where and when it will be held. We are looking forward to the build up to the 2017 conference and the energy it brings to research and our quest to be the best educators we can be.

Accounting Education: An International Journal, Dr Alan Sangster, to attend the SAAA's Teaching and Learning Conference that will be hosted at Wits on 2 December 2016. Lesley Stainbank reached out to the AAA (American Accounting Association) in 2014 as a representative of the SAAA in the USA. Mary Bath (AAA) is yet another shining example of someone who regularly attends and contributes extensively at our conferences and we are deeply appreciative of all of your contributions.

Elmarie Papageorgiou (Vice President of SAAA) has been selected to serve on the Executive Committee of the IAAER (International Association for Accounting Education and Research) as the 'Vice President at large' representing the SAAA. She and Lana will be attending the Midyear Meeting in New Orleans in Louisiana, USA in February 2016.

All the best and my best wishes for a prosperous, adventurous 2016!

Rob.

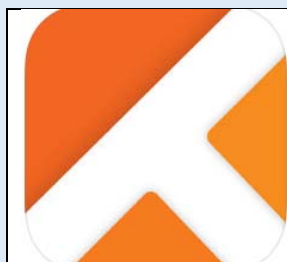
Key words: the value of the SAAA, CPUT's brand new School of Accounting, Upcoming conferences, International Partners, Fees

Please look out for INVOICES for your department's members and rush to get these paid as quickly as you can.

Don't forget to communicate your BUDGET REQUESTS for the 2016 and 2017 SAAA conferences.

Book early for the 2017 national conference once booking opens!

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Conference calls

Name	Date	Venue	Website / e-mail
British Accounting & Finance Association (BAFA)	4 to 6 May 2016	MAC, Belfast, UK	http://www.bafa.ac.uk/subgroups/special-interest-groups/accounting-education/events/upcoming-events/sig-annual-conference-2016.html
Academic Conference on Adding Value to an economy for both public and private enterprises	22 – 24 May 2016	Zebula Golf and Country Estate	http://value20161.myfreesites.net/
Western Cape Regional SAAA conference	2 September 2016	CPUT Hotel School (to be confirmed)	neethlingA@cput.ac.za
10 th Annual Teaching & Learning in Higher Education Conference	20 – 22 September 2016	Southern Sun Elangeni Conference Centre, Durban	http://tlhec.ukzn.ac.za/
2016 Central Regional Conference for Accounting educators	22 – 23 September 2016	Vaal University of Technology: Vanderbijlpark	ephraim@vut.ac.za
SAAA Teaching & Learning conference in Accountancy	2 December 2016	The University of the Witwatersrand	http://www.saaa.org.za/NewsItem?ID=25

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Tellagami

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You can either make use of the robot voice to read your Gami or record your own voice. This app works well to communicate snippets of information.



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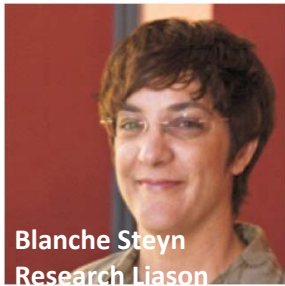
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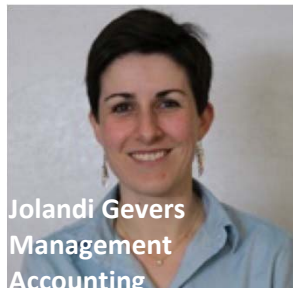
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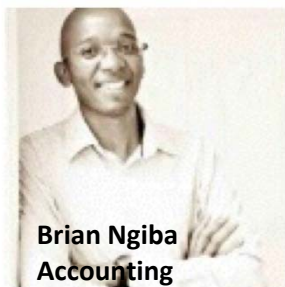
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