



GAUTENG PROVINCE

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As the Member of the Executive Council (MEC) for Roads and Transport (Gauteng), I have appointed a Steering Committee (the Committee) of transport planning experts, academics and specialists to assist in the investigation and development of a 25 Year Integrated Transport Master Plan (ITMP25) for Gauteng. The Committee held its first meeting today.

The Committee is composed of the following persons:

- Mr Jack van der Merwe** (Chairperson and CEO of Gautrain)
- Dr Bridget Ssamula** (University of Pretoria)
- Professor Jackie Walters** (University of Johannesburg)
- Mr Nazir Alli** (CEO of SANRAL)
- Ms Yolisa Mashilwane** (Executive: Facilitation and Industry Development – Cross Border Roads Transport Agency)
- Ms Jane Barrett** (Policy Research Officer - SATAWU)
- Ms Noxolo Maninjwa** (Deputy Director-General – Department of Roads and Transport)
- Mr Dries van der Walt** (PRASA)
- Ms Amanda Nair**, (CEO Blue IQ Investment Holdings)
- Mr Jeffrey Mashela** – Deputy Director General - Gauteng Department of Finance
- Ms Vuyo Mahlali** (University of Pretoria)
- Dr John Sampson** (Independent Transport Engineer)

The Committee should be guided by the following vision: To develop a long-term Integrated Transport Master Plan that will promote Gauteng as the economic powerhouse of Southern Africa; stimulate sustainable long-term economic growth; and promote skills development and the creation of employment. The basic aim is to transform society in order to create a better life for all the people of Gauteng.

OBJECTIVES OF COMMITTEE

- 1) The Committee has to develop an ITMP25, which will enable the Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport (DRT), in collaboration with other spheres of government, to regulate, plan and develop an efficient and integrated transport system that serves the public interest by enhancing mobility and delivering safe, secure and environmentally responsible road-based public and private transport, and air and rail services.**
- 2) The ITMP25 should embody the principles of an efficient, competitive and responsive economic infrastructure network that prioritises public transport.**

3) The ITMP25 should assist government at all levels to deliver a world class, sustainable transport system that supports Gauteng's economic, social, cultural, environmental and developmental goals.

4) The Committee must establish an ITMP25 Consultative Forum comprising, *inter alia*, of the senior managers of the DRT; and representatives of: the Metropolitan, District and Local Councils in Gauteng; the Airports Company of South Africa (ACSA); the Civil Aviation Authority; Gauteng Blue IQ; the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR); the bus, taxi and metered-taxi organisations; the Association of Consulting Engineers; the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors; labour unions and business organisations; the Automobile Association of South Africa (AA); commuter organisations; the Department of Transport; the Gauteng City Region Observatory; the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (PRASA); Transnet; and the Gauteng Planning Commission. It may also invite representative/s of any other interested party that it deems necessary. The purpose of the Consultative Forum is to discuss the quarterly reports submitted to the MEC by the Committee and to make recommendations to the Committee for enhancing the work of the Committee.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF THE ITMP25

The ITMP25 should have the following guiding principles, *inter alia*, as its point of departure:

- 1) Transport planning must be used as a proactive government intervention instrument to change the status quo and to make existing transport plans more effective and efficient.
- 2) The ITMP25 must be socially inclusive and developed to promote the Gauteng Global City Region.
- 3) The ITMP25 must be environmentally sound and sustainable.
- 4) THE ITMP25 must indicate what mode(s) of public transport is preferable for a specific corridor.
- 5) The principle of competition for routes (and not competition on routes) should be applicable.
- 6) The transport network and the utilisation of the various modes of transport must be optimised in order to minimise congestion and to maximise service delivery to the economy and the people of Gauteng
- 7) The ITMP25 must give priority to public transport and the movement of freight in Gauteng based on current and future freight and logistics nodes and corridors
- 8) Non-motorised transport facilities must be included in planning to support public transport services specifically and to enhance the quality of the built environment in general
- 9) Financial support to transport and subsidisation have to be used as a lever and catalyst for the development of the desired urban form.
- 10) The implementation of the ITMP25 must lead to significant further economic development; the creation of employment; and drive the land-use planning agenda.
- 11) The ITMP25 must support national and provincial government programmes and be aligned to its (government's) priorities.

ESTABLISHMENT OF WORK GROUPS

The Committee has the power to establish relevant Work Groups to advance its work and to achieve its Objectives.

□ **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The ITMP25 has been budgeted for in the 2011/2012 financial year. An initial sum of R15 million has been allocated for this project in the current financial year.

□ **FINAL REPORTS**

The ITMP25 should be presented for approval to the MEC on or before 31 March 2013. In addition, the Committee should present to the MEC a short-term, five year implementation plan for approval by 31 January 2012.

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Gauteng MEC for Roads and Transport

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PROFILES OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. Elzer (JACK) Van Der Merwe (Chairperson)

Jack van der Merwe is a professional Engineer. He obtained the degrees B.Sc. (Eng.) Civil and B.Sc.(Eng.) (Hons.) Civil, from the University of Pretoria. He is also a graduate of the Harvard Business School's SED programme. He has been a member of the public service for the past 39 years. His career started as an Engineer-in-Training with the Roads Branch of the Transvaal Provincial Administration in 1972; eventually specializing in contract project management and heading the IT Directorate.

After the 1994 general elections, he was appointed as the team leader of the Strategic Management Team (SMT) tasked with developing, structuring and establishing the new Department of Public Transport and Roads in Gauteng. In 1995, he was appointed as Deputy Director-General and later as Head: Department of Public Transport and Roads.

In 1999, he was promoted as Superintendent-General: Gauteng Department of Transport and Public Works. He was also the project leader for the Gautrain Rapid Rail Link. He was the Chairperson of the Gauteng Urban Transport Board. He was a member of the Civil Engineer Advisory Council and a board member of the South African Rail Commuter Corporation. He was until recently a board member of the former South African Roads Board.

In 2003, he was elected UITP vice-president for Africa (a world-wide association of urban and regional passenger transport operators, authorities and suppliers). In 2004, he was elected to serve as a member on the UITP policy board.

In 1998, the Transportation Engineering Division of the South African Institution of Civil Engineering awarded him the Chairman's Award for Meritorious Service to the Transportation Profession. He is a Fellow of the South African Academy of Engineers.

He is currently the CEO of the Gautrain Management Agency tasked with overseeing the building and operation of the Gautrain Rapid Rail Link. Under his leadership the project has developed into the largest Public-Private-Partnership type contract in the history of South Africa. It is currently the largest Greenfields PPP rail project in the world.

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2. Dr Bridget Ssamula

Bridget Ssamula holds a PhD in Transportation Engineering from University of Pretoria, in which she specialised in the field of aviation. She is currently a senior lecturer and researcher in the Civil Engineering Department at the University of Pretoria. She also serves on the Board of S A Express. She has been involved in air transport projects at both research and industry level in areas ranging from policy, strategy, planning and operations with a specific focus on African aviation issues.

3. Professor Jackie Walters

Prof Walters holds a Doctoral degree in Transport Economics from the Rand Afrikaans University (RAU). His academic speciality includes public transport and aviation studies, as well as transport economics and logistics.

He joined the RAU in 1982 where he lectures under- and post-graduate students in Transport Economics. He is currently the Chairperson of the Department of Transport and Supply Chain Management. In this position he is also extensively involved in the department's industry training programmes for the freight and passenger transport sectors.

Prof Walters is also the Director of the Institute of Transport and Logistics Studies (ITLS (Africa)), a research unit working in close collaboration with the University of Sydney. He has been involved in numerous research projects on a multi modal basis and is author and co-author of a number of papers and publications. In his academic career he has read papers at 84 conferences (16 international), published or co-published 36 articles, were involved in 22 conference proceedings publications and have undertaken 46 research projects.

In addition to these activities he is also active in the THREDBO international series of conferences on competition and ownership in public transport. This involvement has meant the organisation of the 1999 conference in Cape Town, the chairing of workshops at the THEDBO conferences and the refereeing of conference papers. His recent research work focuses on the impact of policies on the development of the commuter bus industry, the public transport tendering system as well as general overviews of developments in public transport in SA. Other recent research involves air cargo trends at Oliver Tambo International Airport (ORTIA), an economic impact analysis of SA's three major international airports on SA

and their respective provinces and the development of an econometric forecasting model for airfreight, passenger and air traffic movements until 2022.

He also serves on a number of committees appointed by the Department of Transport. These committees deal with transport policy matters and policy formulation, tenders in public transport, road traffic policy and other related issues. He has also been a specialist adviser to the Southern African Bus Operators Association since 1989. He serves on the editorial panel of the Journal of Transport and Supply Chain Management and is a Fellow of the Institute of Transport and Logistics, London and Member of the Council of Supply Chain Management Practitioners, USA.

4. Mr Nazir Alli

Nazir Alli, the CEO of SANRAL, is a Chartered Engineer (civil) with a focus on project management, change management, institutional transformation and public-private partnerships. He did his undergraduate studies at the University of Plymouth and post-graduate studies at the Haas Business School: UC -Berkeley. He has some 32 years in the civil engineering and project finance fields.

He is a fellow of the South African Institution of Civil Engineers, a member of the Institution of Civil Engineers (UK) and of the Institute of Directors and a fellow of the South African Academy of Engineers. He is the current chairman of the Governance Committee of the Engineering Council of South Africa.

He has authored several papers and presented on various topics at international and local conferences and seminars. He has been instrumental in developing the concept of public-private partnerships in South Africa which culminated in the acclaimed Maputo Development Corridor. He has been recipient of the Centenary Award, 2000: Transportation Division of the South African Institution of Civil Engineers and the South African Road Federation President's Award, 2010.

5. Ms Yolisa Mashilwane

Yolisa Mashilwane holds a BSc: Honours in Transportation from the Pretoria University. She currently works for Cross Border Roads Transport Agency as Executive: Facilitation and Industry Development. Her main responsibility is managing the flow of passengers and goods within the SADC. Yolisa has been in the Transportation Industry for the past 10 years.

She worked for Arup Engineers as a young Transport Planner before joining the City of Johannesburg in 2003. She started in the City as a Junior in Transportation Planning and worked her way up to Director: Strategic Planning where she project managed the 2010 FIFA World Cup transport plans from inception to implementation.

6. Ms Jane Barrett

Ms Jane Barrett Jane Barrett has worked in the trade union movement for the past 29. She has served variously as a branch organiser, General Secretary, National Organiser, and currently Policy Research Officer for Satawu. She also spent four years with the International Transport Workers' Federation in London in the mid-1990s.

In the past six years Jane's work has included providing backup to SATAWU's engagements with government and employers over the establishment of a rail safety regulator; taxi recapitalisation; restructuring of the bus industry; black economic empowerment in the transport sector; and restructuring of the ports and rail services. Jane is a member of the Board of the Rail Safety Regulator.

Jane has a Social Sciences Degree (University of Natal), an Honours degree in Industrial Sociology (Wits) and a Masters in Philosophy (School of Oriental and African Studies at London University). She has published widely in journals and newspapers, and co-authored a book on South African working class women, "Vukani Makhosikazi" in 1988.

7. Ms Noxolo Maninjwa

Ms NJ Maninjwa has a BComm (Hons), in Economics from Fort Hare University. She has extensive work experience in the public sector where she has held senior positions rising to her current position of Deputy Director General: Transport- Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport. Her key functions includes transport planning, regulating and facilitating the provision of public transport services , development and implementation of freight strategies, as well ensuring compliance with transport legislation and regulations.

She has been a Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Gauteng Department of Education for 7 years where she was responsible for ensuring compliance to the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA) as well as for strategic planning, education financing, human resource management and project management and facilities management.

She served as a non-executive director and was also a member of the audit committee of a listed company, from November 2008 until January 2011.

8. Mr Dries van der Walt

Dries van der Walt is a Transport Economist with 30 years experience in the Transport industry, especially the rail industry. During the past 20 years he has been involved in the Public Transport industry, of which most of this time has been spent in strategic planning, policy, project management and management positions.

Mr van der Walt is currently employed as Executive Manager: Strategic Asset Development Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa. He is responsible for long term planning and modernization of the passenger rail system in South Africa at PRASA. He is also a rail reform specialist and pioneered the National Rail Master Plan, rail concessioning and rail revitalising strategies in South Arica.

9. Ms Amanda Nair

Ms Amanda Nair completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1984, from the University of Natal and a Masters Degree in Town and Regional Planning with Progressive Planning Theory, being her Masters dissertation. She also completed a Management Development Program from the University of Durban-Westville.

She was nominated to attend the Executive Leadership Program run by the KwaZulu Natal Local Government Association in association with USAID (CEO II program) and achieved the status of top candidate on the program and received an accolade for outstanding student.

Ms Nair has been functionary in government for some nineteen years since April 1987 and spent ten years at the Durban Municipality (EThekwinini) working at a senior management level in the development management sector. Among the major projects that she was involved in, were the Point Waterfront, Wilson's Wharf, the upgrade of Musgrave Centre and a number of major residential developments.

Ms Nair held the position of Executive Director: Development Planning, Transportation and Environment in the City of Johannesburg. She was involved in projects such as Cosmo City, Gautrain, Gauteng Provincial Government Precinct, Alex Renewal Project, 2010 and Huddle Park. She was also 2010 Project Manager where she headed up the Host City program for the 2010 FIFA World Cup™ South Africa Local Organising Committee.

She had as a core mandate, the responsibility for ensuring that the Country's nine host cities are in a full state of readiness to host the Championship, as well as the five Cities that would host the Confederations Cup in 2009.

Ms Nair is currently Chief Executive Officer of Blue IQ Investment Holdings (Pty) Ltd as well as Chairman of the Gautrain Management Agency Board and is sole director of her own consulting and property investment company.

10. Mr Jeff Mashele

Jeff Mashele is a graduate with an Honours degree in Econometrics. He is currently in his final year, reading for a MBA degree with The Gordon Institute of Business Science (GIBS). Jeff joined the Gauteng Department of Finance in 2005 as a Director.

He progressed through the ranks until his current position as the Deputy Director-General responsible for the Sustainable Resource Management of Gauteng. His responsibilities include amongst the other things; Budget Management process in the province, fiscal policy and economic analysis, PPP projects and the management of public finances within Gauteng Provincial Government.

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11. Ms Vuyo Mahlati

Ms Vuyo Mahlati is a business and development entrepreneur with innovation visible in her Strategy and Development Planning Consultancy started in 1993 with offices in South Africa and Zimbabwe. This has transcended into participation in major business ventures that include the listed Sasol Oil and Tongaat Hullet.

Vuyo is trained as a development planning specialist with an MSc (Social Policy and Planning) from the London School of Economics in the UK. Her Masters' research topic was credit schemes for the poor in developing countries. She has submitted her thesis as a PhD candidate (University of Stellenbosch) with research focus on the role of value chain based integrated supply chains in mainstreaming rural entrepreneurs into global markets.

Vuyo was appointed in May 2010 by the President to serve as one of the inaugural members of the National Planning Commission for five years. She is also a member of the Institute of Directors and International Women's Forum South Africa. Her current directorships include being the Chairperson of the South African Post Office Board of Directors which includes the Post Bank. She previously served for two terms on the Financial Markets Advisory Board as well as member of the Financial Services Board Licensing Committee. Vuyo also served as a director of Micro Finance South Africa assisting with the transformation of micro lenders to align with the new Credit Act. She is the recipient of the 2008 Black Management Forum Presidential Award for Transformational Leadership. She is currently the Senior Researcher at the University of Pretoria focusing on rural economies and inclusive banking.

Her list of previous professional contracts includes the appointment by South African Government (Presidency Initiative) as the National Program Coordinator of the cross-departmental economic growth initiative for job creation and small enterprise development. In March 2009 she was a South African Delegate and Technical Advisor for the Presidency to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women where she presented on the Financial Crisis theme. Vuyo also convened the technical team that facilitated the launch of India Brazil South Africa (IBSA) Women's Forum. This culminated in the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding in India, October 2008 by the three Heads of State.

Vuyo spent four years at the Development Bank of Southern Africa (1997-2000) working as Program Manager of the Department of Trade and Industry's Spatial Development Initiatives with focus on agri-tourism investments. She also participated in the development of policy guidelines in various industry sectors for investment facilitation. She later facilitated the establishment of the Community Public Private Partnership Program and the Development fund.

12. Dr John Sampson

In his career Dr Sampson has held the positions of Deputy City Engineer of the City of Johannesburg, Professor at the University of Pretoria, Partner and Director of Jeffares & Green, Consulting Engineers, General Manager (Housing) of FHA Homes, Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Road Traffic Management Corporation, Director and Board Member of the Road Traffic Infringement Agency, Roads Expert of the Gauteng Transport Management Authority, President and Honorary Treasurer of the South African Road Federation, Chairman of the SA Institution of Civil Engineering Transportation Division and recipient of the Chairman's Award for the most outstanding contribution to the transportation engineering profession.

He has contributed to and co-authored publications such as the South African Development Communities Road Traffic Signs Manual, National Guidelines for Road Access Management in South Africa, Route Marking in South Africa, the Gauteng Roundabouts Design Manual, the Gauteng Transport Study GTS 2000 and 2010, Municipal Engineering Services Contributions Policy, and a Policy for Traffic Impact Assessments. His PhD thesis on Warrants for Traffic Signals is now an industry standard.