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# **President's Podium**

Compliments of the season. My usual New Year's resolutions have already been broken but it is still always worth a try. Have you managed to keep yours?

In July I will be handing the baton over to my successor as I step down as the IITPSA President and Chairperson.

I am humbled and honoured to have been nominated for another term last year and I am now serving out the last 6 months of my 12 month term. I will be embarking on what I call my "farewell tour" and visiting the various chapters across the country. I am very pleased to be part of the amazing growth experienced by the Institute and I know it will continue from strength to strength.

I am passionate about our profession and the standards that we must uphold in ensuring that we build trust within our society. This is an awesome time to be in ICT because even President Ramaphosa talks about the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution. We need to embrace it and upskill ourselves.

I still have my work cut out for me over the next few months to ensure that you, our valued member derive ongoing benefit from the Institute. We have an upcoming strategy session and I will share the outcomes with you in the next newsletter.

Ciao for now Ulandi

## **CEO's Communiqué**

Happy New Year, and very best wishes for **2019**! Another year and a further opportunity to achieve all those objectives that we have set for ourselves and our organisations. Our Institute has a number of specific objectives that we wish to achieve this year, one of the



most important of which is improving our member retention.



That means that we want to keep all of you, our highly valued members, as active, participatory members of the Institute through, for example, improved service offerings, new products (such as Privyseal and new professional designations) and more, relevant events and knowledge-sharing opportunities.

We really look forward to engaging with you over the forthcoming year and to making our Institute even more relevant and value-adding. So, please do link up with your Chapter Committees, Special Interest Groups and fellow members to help us all make 2019 our best IITPSA year ever.

Thank you, in advance, for your commitment and involvement.

Best regards Tony

# IN THE NEWS



# IITPSA continues to support learner studies with IT subject 'scholarships'

Are you aware of the IITPSA initiative providing grades 10, 11 and 12 learners with the opportunity to study IT online when their own schools do not offer that subject?

This, project, in its 3rd year, and spear-headed by IITPSA Director Moira de Roche, is now affording 12 high school learners the opportunity to study Java Programming (IT) online, entirely at the cost of IITPSA. This is one of the ways in which the Institute is 'ploughing' some of our member contributions back into the community and helping to identify and grow the potential ICT professionals of tomorrow.

Thank you, Moira, for your passion, time and effort in driving this project and congratulations to all the learners who passed their online IT courses at the end of 2018!



## IITPSA Privyseal roll-out well under way

IITPSA has contracted with PrivySeal to provide a digital accreditation service to all members in good standing, enabling them to prove their membership status and professional standing.



Due to the size of our membership base, we have been rolling this out in a phased approach to our members around the country. If it has not yet reached you, you will soon be receiving an IITPSA email asking you to give your consent to participate (POPIA compliance), after which you will be able to register for your individual Privyseal. So do keep an eye on your inbox for that all important consent request email. This is a fantastic member benefit, available only to paid-up IITPSA members, so don't miss out!



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## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**



IITPSA Western Cape Chapter AGM 31 January 2019 - Riverclub, Cape Town

The Annual General Meeting of the members of the Western Cape Chapter of IITPSA NPC will be held at Riverclub, Cape Town on Thursday 31 January 2019. Read More...



### **2019 Chapter and SIG Activities** Watch this space

Our Chapter and Special Interest Group Committees are busy putting together their events calendars for 2019.

The Enterprise Architecture Special Interest Group plans to hold at least three events this year, after a very quiet 2018.

More information on the various IITPSA activities and events will be published on the **website** as it becomes available and will be highlighted in the monthly newsletters.

## MEMBER BENEFITS



## Anti-Virus Products

AVG is a leading developer of Security Software with over 120 million home and business users around the world.

IITPSA is pleased to advise that we are again being sponsored by AVG South Africa, with the computers at the IITPSA National Office being protected by the AVG Internet Security Suite (Business Edition). Read More...



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ITWeb Brainstorm is available free of charge to Fellows (FIITPSA) and paid-up Professional Members (PMIITPSA) of the Institute.

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#### **Career Opportunities**

IITPSA has partnered with CareerJunction, SA's #1 Quality Candidate provider, to offer a job search/advertising service on its site. Go to www.iitpsa.org.za and click on 'Careers' in the 'Activities' menu to see it in action, or simply click on the link below.

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Professional Indemnity Insurance (PI) at a special rate for IITPSA Members. In the interests of providing added value to Members, the IITPSA has negotiated a special PI Insurance Scheme for Members that provides very competitive premiums, wide coverage and also affords Legal Advice when required to protect your interests.

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