

Speaker Presentation Profile

1. PRESENTER'S INFORMATION

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2. PRESENTER'S BACKGROUND

Peter is an accountant by profession but, after seeing the light, he changed his career to focus on improving governance in organizations. This change of profession led to him being responsible for the governance and performance management of South Africa's national system of innovation. He represented South Africa at the OECD in 2005 to help develop their Guidelines on Corporate Governance of SOEs. Other governance activities included serving on a number of audit committees. One of the highlights here was helping to bring the biggest conference on Corporate Governance in the world to South Africa in 2007. His latest work on innovation was to write the business case for the recently-launched Technology Innovation Agency and speaking at the Mauritian Infotech 2008 Conference.

3. TITLE/TOPIC OF PRESENTATION

SITA's New Procurement Strategy

4. PRESENTATION SYNOPSIS/ABSTRACT

Brief summary of content and focus of the presentation:

This session will review SITA's new procurement strategy, which focuses on cutting through the red tape of doing business with SITA without compromising good governance. It will also make special mention of how SITA plans to leverage procurement to develop SMMEs and the local ICT sector

Key challenges this session will address include:

- Red tape of procurement
- Unsolicited bids
- eProcurement

Key points for discussion include:

- The new procurement strategy
- Procurement Governance
- Business opportunities
- SMME development