

Speaker Presentation Profile

1. PRESENTER'S INFORMATION

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2. PRESENTER'S BACKGROUND

Mrs. Bansi is currently a Chief Director responsible for IT Operations in the Department of Justice & Constitutional Development. She holds a BSc degree and a Honours (Presidential Strategic Leadership Development Programme) hosted by SAMDI and the University of the Potchefstroom. She worked for the Department of Minerals and Energy where she was tasked to deploy a management system within a year for the Minerals and Petroleum Resource Development Act. This was completed before the stipulated timeframe and scoped an international Special Achievement Award by ESRI presented to Ms Bansi in San Diego. She has also worked for major companies like Anglo American PLC as Senior Information Manager, African Gabions as an IT Manager and Alcatel as a Project Manager. In her current position at DOJ, her key responsibilities are to provide direction of the development and roll-out of business solutions; management and optimization of operational systems; and ensure effective Management of the IT infrastructure.

3. TITLE/TOPIC OF PRESENTATION

Speeding up the wheels of Justice

4. PRESENTATION SYNOPSIS/ABSTRACT

Brief summary of content and focus of the presentation:

This session, delivered by representatives of the Integrated Justice Cluster, will give attendees insight into exactly how the departments participating in the IJS Cluster plans to "Speed up the Wheels of Justice". These departments are South African Police Services, Department of Correctional Services, Department of Social Development, Department of Home Affairs, the National Prosecuting Authority, Department of Justice & Constitutional Development and the Legal Aid Board.

The presentations by the various departments will focus on addressing some of the key frustrations with the criminal justice system, including challenges such as lengthy trials, too many postponements of a case as a result forensic reports not being available timeously for the next court hearing, application for legal representation not being processed in time for the next court hearing or dockets misplaced/lost. From the perspective of participating IJS Departments, additional challenges to meet include duplicate data; poor quality of data as a result of the re-capturing of information at the recipient department/s; inability to track the whereabouts or status of a person in the Criminal Justice System; and fraud and corruption.

The presentations of each participating IJS Department will inform attendees exactly how the department has/propose to address these challenges through the use of ICT and how the citizen will benefit directly as well as indirectly as a result of this.