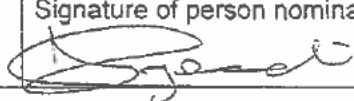
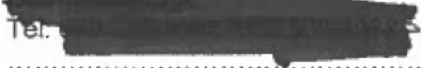
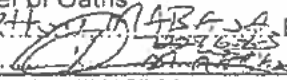


**NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO BE APPOINTED BY THE MINISTER OF
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AS MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL DRUG AUTHORITY**

NOMINATION FORM

I nominate (print the full names and surnames of the candidate)	Klaas Melusi Mtshweni
As a candidate to be appointed by the Minister of Social Development as a member of the Central Drug Authority	
(Print full first names and surname)	Signature of person nominating
Reginald Danny Kgoedi	

DECLARATION BY PERSON WHO SIGNS NOMINATION

I (print the full names and surname) Reginald Danny Kgoedi
Declare that I am a South African citizen resident in the Republic at (state full residential address and telephone:  Tel. 
Signature of a person nominating I certify that the deponent has acknowledged that he/she knows and understands the contents of this declaration.
Sworn in/ affirmed and signed before me at <u>ORTIA</u> on..... Commissioner of Oaths Name: <u>Mthembu MABASA</u> Rank/Designation: <u>Commissioner</u> Signature:  Date: <u>2005-06-27</u>

CONSENT TO NOMINATION

I (print full names and surname): Klaas Melusi Mtshweni declare that:	
a) Consent to nomination;	b) I am a South African citizen;
c) I am permanently resident in the Republic at (state full residential address) 	
d) Agree to accept the nomination of CDA Board Member Signature of nominee: 	
Simultaneously with the lodging, each candidate shall lodge with the Minister:- a) A curriculum vitae; and b) ID/Passport photograph	



at D.R.T. # on 5-26-21

Commissioner of Oaths
Name: M. B. H. F. W. A. B. A. S. A.

Name: M B H S Rank/ Designation: ...

Signature: [Signature] Date: 2005-06-24

For more information please feel free to contact Dr Athalia Shabangu [REDACTED]
or Mr Mogotsi Kalaeamodimo at [REDACTED]

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Klaas Melusi Mtshweni

Professional Summary

Passionate and experienced social worker with a proven track record of over nine years of dedicated service in the field of substance use prevention, early intervention, treatment, harm reduction, and public health advocacy. He holds a Bachelor of Social Work Degree (NQF Level 7) and received a drug policy fellowship in London (United Kingdom) and extensive harm reduction through a Dutch NGO (Mainline). Currently he serves as the National Chairperson of the People Who Use Drug (PWUD) Sub-Sector of the South Africa National Aids Council Civil Society Forum. Mr. Mtshweni is the main member representing PWUD on South Africa's Global Fund Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM). Mr. Mtshweni has demonstrated leadership in designing national interventions, policy advocacy, research, and program implementation relating to drug use and drug use disorders and implementation of efforts to fulfil South Africa's National Drug Master Plan. Proven ability to engage in national governance structures, advise policy, and represent marginalised voices at the highest levels of decision-making. Mr. Mtshweni is an expert in his field and is internationally recognized, having participated in meetings around drug use responses in Kenya and present at the 2025 Harm Reduction Conference in Bogota (Colombia).

Professional Experience

Skills and Sector Coordinator | PWUD Sub-Sector National Chairperson | Global Fund CCM Main Member

South African Network of People who Use Drugs | Nationally | August 2022 – Present

- Chairing national governance and leading efforts for the inclusion of the PWUD sub-sector within Civil Society Forums (CSFs) and AIDS Councils to improve community representation in drug responses, aligning with the National Drug Master Plan.
- Co-authored a harm reduction information note with Harm Reduction International to advocate for policy-level service expansion and funding in South Africa.
- Designed and facilitated capacity-building training for harm reduction and substance use prevention stakeholders, training over 1500 people through in person and virtual sessions between 2022 and 2025
- Coordinated Community-Led Monitoring (CLM) projects to improved drug use harm reduction, dependence treatment and health services for PWUD across three provinces, conducting M&E activities and evaluating Global Fund grant implementation impact for people who use drugs.
- A member of the Global Fund Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) to represent the People Who Use Drugs and oversee principal-recipient performance (which operates across eight districts, reaching over 15 000 people who use and inject drugs).

National Psychosocial Coordinator for PWUD Services

TB HIV Care | Western Cape, KwaZulu-Natal, Eastern Cape | March 2020 – June 2022

- Developed and implemented psychosocial support programmes aligned with substance use treatment and harm reduction for people who use drugs. Reaching over 6000 people.
- Delivered stakeholder training, maintained program budgets, and ensured service delivery met both beneficiary needs and compliance. Training over 200 people from South African based NGOs and in Kenya, supported 20 staff.

- **Harm Reduction International Conference – Bogotá, Colombia (April 2025).** Presented 3 abstracts (2 oral, 1 poster presentations):
 - *Implications of US Funding Cuts on Harm Reduction in South Africa*
 - *Shaping the Conversation: Advocacy for Harm Reduction – Case studies from South Africa, Indonesia, and Kenya*
 - *Mobilising Communities in South Africa – Amplifying PWUD voices to increase funding in Global Fund Grant Cycle 7*
- **Fast Track Cities Conference – Paris, France (October 2024).** Abstract presentation on:
 - *Forming a PWUD Sector: Lessons Learnt and Barriers Overcome*
 - *How South African activists are building inclusive platforms for PWUD and advocating for harm reduction budget reform*
- **Africa Drug Policy Week – Cape Town, South Africa (August 2023) - Panellist & Speed Geek presented on:**
 - *Knowledge Sharing as Advocacy*
 - *Policy change through community education, collaboration, and localized decriminalization efforts (Decriminalisation e-course)*

Training Experience (selection from past five years)

- Co- Facilitator, Harm Reduction Capacity Building for Traditional Leaders, African Royal Women, Local Drug Action Committees, Provincial Substance Abuse Forums and Provincial AIDS Forums of South Africa, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Durban, South Africa - May 2025
- Trainer, PWUD Sector Capacity Training, TB HIV Care & SANPUD, Johannesburg, South Africa – May 2025
- Trainer, Harm reduction for Woman, sexual reproductive health care and responding to gender based violence, South African Network of People who Use Drugs, Cape Town - April 2024
- Trainer, Overdose management, South African Network of People who Use Drugs, April 2024
- Trainer, Harm Reduction Capacity Building workshop, South African Network of People who Use Drugs – Durban, Johannesburg and Cape Town, February 2024
- Trainer, Harm Reduction Capacitation for Traditional Leaders, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Qwa-Qwa and Amajuba, South Africa - November 2022
- Trainer, Blended Learning on Youth-led Research, Young Wild and Free, Amsterdam, Netherlands - March 2021
- Trainer, Basic Harm Reduction Training, Mainline International- Mombasa, Kenya – November 2020
- Trainer, Basic Harm Reduction Training, Mainline International- Cape Town, South Africa - March 2020

Key Meetings Attended

- **Eastern & Southern Africa Commission on Drugs –** Representing the South African Network of People Who Use Drugs, *Nairobi, Kenya – June 2025*
- **1.1 Million ART Campaign National Launch –** Representing the PWUD Sub-Sector, *Johannesburg, South Africa – February 2025*
- **TB in Children and Adolescents: 2024 Guidelines Overview –** South African Medical Association, Representing the PWUD Sub-Sector, *February 2025*
- **World AIDS Day – National Department of Health Event –** Representing the PWUD Sub-Sector, Mdantsane, Eastern Cape – December 2024
- **UNODC Quality Assurance for Drug Use Disorder Treatment Systems –** Representing the PWUD Sub-Sector, Johannesburg, South Africa – March 2024

- Interviewee, Filter Magazine, Tana Ganeva, New York City, February 2025
People Who Use Drugs Among Victims of Trump's Assault on USAID

Professional Skills

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|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ✓ Grant Writing | ✓ Innovation and Sustainability | ✓ Stakeholder Engagement |
| ✓ Strategic Planning | ✓ Training and Capacity Building | ✓ Project Coordination |
| ✓ Networking and Relationship Building | ✓ Sector Establishment | ✓ Advocacy and Representation |
| | | ✓ Program Coordination |

Languages

English | isiNdebele | isiZulu | Sesotho | Setswana | isiXhosa

References

- SANPUD | Executive Director | Angela McBride
- TB HIV Care | PWUD Programme Manager | Tara Gerardy
- University of Pretoria | Senior Researcher | Dr Andrew Scheibe

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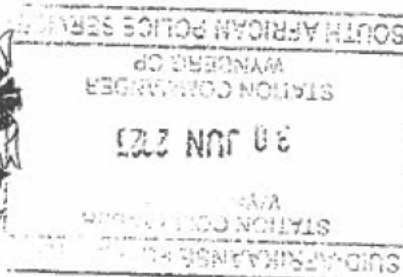


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AS INTERNATIONAL HARM REDUCTION TRAINER

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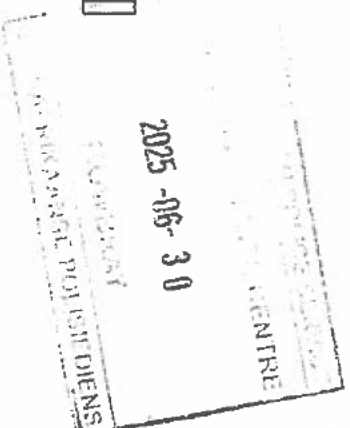
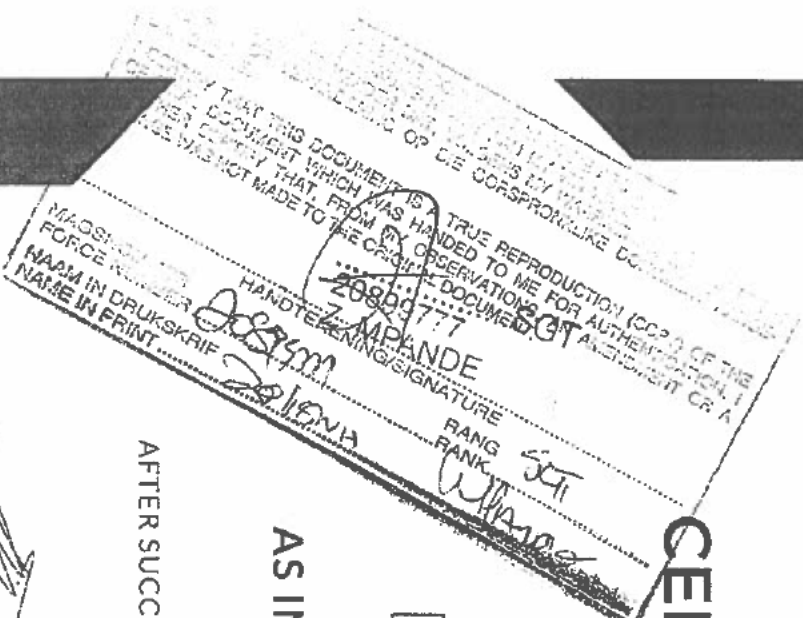
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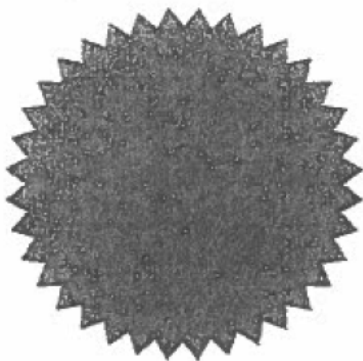
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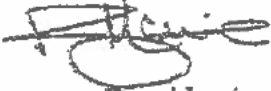
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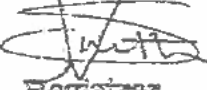
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This is to certify that

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**Pascalie Grotenhuis
Director Social Development
Ministry of Foreign Affairs**





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Kgaas Mtsheweni

For the attendance and participation in the
TB in Children and Adolescents - What is new? Overview of the 2024 Guidelines
This online course is accredited by the South African Medical Association, and
offered through the Knowledge Hub.

2 CLINICAL CPD POINTS

February 04, 2025

MEDICAL

Prof. Norbert Ndleka
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23 June 2025

Central Drug Authority (CDA)
Cc Dr Athalia Shabangu
Cc Mr Mogosi Kalaeamodimo

BY EMAIL:

Dear Sir/ Madam,

**RE: NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO BE APPOINTED BY THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT AS MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL DRUG AUTHORITY**

I trust this letter finds you well.

The Networking HIV and AIDS Community of Southern Africa (NACOSA) is the principal recipient (PR) of the Global Fund Grant and supports the People who Uses Drugs (PWUD) programme in South Africa. Nacosa strongly advocate for the well-being and rights of key and vulnerable populations, and believe that addressing drug use among young people and minors with compassionate and evidence-based approaches is crucial to safeguarding their health and future.

NACOSA therefore formally nominates Klaas Mtshweni from the South African Network of People who Use Drugs (SANPUD) as a candidate to be appointed by the Minister of Social Development as a member of the Central Drug Authority.

Klaas has a strong national, regional and international presence; with direct linkages to district and provincial civil society forums, to raise awareness and support from stakeholders. NACOSA believes that with Klaas Mtshweni's support and expertise within the CDA, will drive effective harm reduction strategies that not only protects the health and rights of people who use drugs, but will also support the realisation of the mandate of the National Drug Master Plan (NDMP).

Thank you for your acceptance of this letter of support and nomination for Klaas Mtshweni.

Sincerely,

Yolani Andrews,
Key Populations Programme Manager