

eGoliBIO Life Science Incubator

“We exist for our clients”



eGOLOBIO NEW STAFF

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Lufuno Mashamba

Is a Project Officer at eGoliBIO, appointed on the 1st November 2010. She holds a Masters degree in Plant Biotechnology from the University of Pretoria. Lufuno main responsibilities at eGoliBIO are to manage the projects allocated to her, through clients liaison and ensuring that the client’s needs are adequately met, manage all the projects within her clients’ portfolio and conduct relevant research as is relevant to eGoliBIO and her clients.

Anne Gabathuse

Is a Project Officer at eGoliBIO appointed on the 1st November 2010. She holds a Masters degree in Bioprocess Engineering from the University of Cape Town. Anne’s main responsibilities are to manage the projects , through clients liaison and ensuring that the client’s prospective needs are adequately met, manage all the projects within her clients’ portfolio and conduct relevant research as is relevant to eGoliBIO and her Clients.

Lorraine Masiela

Is a Financial and Administrator Officer at eGoliBIO. She has a Bachelors degree in finance and Information Systems from the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal. Prior to her appointment at eGoliBIO, she worked for USAASA as an Accounts Payable Administrator and at KPMG as a Business Unit Administrator. Her responsibilities are to manage accounts, prepare financial reports and maintain the administration work of eGoliBIO.

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Thuso Modiselle

Is an Admin Assistant at eGoliBIO. Thuso possess a diploma in Medical Technology from the University of Johannesburg. As an Admin assistant, her responsibilities are to ensure the administrative support to the client’s office automation, and assisting with the planning of eGoliBIO meetings, workshops and other stakeholder events.

Mtheza Mtyopo

Is a Project Manager. Mtheza has a doctorate in Chemistry .As a Project manager his main responsibilities includes project team management, finding new SMME’s for eGoliBIO to support on high tech project, raising funds for eGoliBIO clients, establishing new linkage/collaboration with stakeholders in the biotech sector and undertake all other duties assigned by the CEO

NGUNI JUICE VISIT

Mr. Mpedi's business has received widespread coverage on the print and electronic media, including the broadcast on eNews, on the 27th February



eGOLIBIO staff with Nguni Juice Team.

Nguni Juice Visit

Nguni Juice owned by Mr. Norman Mpedi, operates in the juice and beverage industry. Nguni Juice's main products are organic juices made from indigenous fruits found in South Africa.

The company has been an incubatee of eGoliBIO since 2007. eGoliBIO has since assisted Nguni Juice in securing an operating facility in

Mokopane as well as in the acquisition of equipment through the SEDA Technology Transfer Fund (TTF). Recently, the eGoliBIO team has paid a visit to Mokopane to assist Mr. Mpedi in the costing of his juice production process in the hope to assist him make the process economically efficient.

Nguni Juice has been recognized as one of the few small businesses in the



country that is actively involved in job creation; this company was recently mentioned by the Minister of Finance in the 2011 budget speech. Following the budget speech, Mr. Mpedi's business has received widespread coverage on the print and electronic media, including the broadcast on eNews, on the 27th February.

Umviyo Labels ready for bottling



Pulp filtering process



EGOLIBIO CLIENT CONTACT SESSION

The first eGoliBIO networking workshop for the year was hosted at the Innovation Hub on the 24th of February 2011. The aim of this particular networking session was to introduce the newly appointed eGoliBIO staff to clients. This was also a platform for which the new and old clients could interact and discuss the challenges they face as entrepreneurs. Speakers invited to make

presentations at the workshop included Mr. Pillay from the Gauteng Enterprise Propeller (GEP) and Mr. Kenny Masobe from Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA).

On his presentation, Mr. Pillay discussed the GEP's mandate regarding the assistance directed towards the development of SMME's.

He listed some of the services that the GEP assist entrepreneurs

with as business registrations at CIPRO, Business training as well as financial assistance to a range between R10 000 and R1.5 million. He further advised clients to work with

eGoliBIO, but the entrepreneur should firstly register at SEDA database through eGoliBIO incubator.



Acting CEO: Colin Mkhonta, taking questions from eGOLIBIO Clients.

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SEDA INCUBATION DAY

On the 4th March 2011, the small Enterprise development agency (SEDA) hosted an Incubation Day event at the Tshwane University of technology (TUT) grounds in Shoshanguve, Pretoria.

The incubation day event served as a platform for all the Incubators under the SEDA banner to display their clients' products and was also a chance for the Incubators to reach out to the public, especially aspiring entrepreneurs and 'business minded' people, giving them advice on how incubators could assist them in developing their enterprises.

The highlight of the event was the presence of high school students.

This was an opportunity for the incubators to promote science and technology as career paths and advise the youngsters to be job creators and not job seekers, following the Government's mandate.

Representatives of the participating incubators gave brief introduction about their respective incubators.

These were followed by inspiring stories from successful entrepreneurs from the Soshanguve Manufacturing Technology Demonstration Centre (SMTDC) incubator.

The presentations was a word of encouragement to the rest of the incubators as they instilled in each one of us a burning desire to develop all our clients and guide them to be successful entrepreneurs.



Mtheza Mtyopo, giving presentation at the SEDA Incubation

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