

# Appendix F:

## EAP Declaration and CV



# Appendix F1: EAP Declaration





## environmental affairs

Department:  
Environmental Affairs  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

### DETAILS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER, DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH

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Application for authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended (the Regulations)

#### PROJECT TITLE

Proposed Botterblom Wind Energy Facility and Associated Infrastructure North of Loeriesfontein in the Northern Cape Province

#### Kindly note the following:

1. This form must always be used for applications that must be subjected to Basic Assessment or Scoping & Environmental Impact Reporting where this Department is the Competent Authority.
2. This form is current as of 01 September 2018. It is the responsibility of the Applicant / Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to ascertain whether subsequent versions of the form have been published or produced by the Competent Authority. The latest available Departmental templates are available at <https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms>.
3. A copy of this form containing original signatures must be appended to all Draft and Final Reports submitted to the department for consideration.
4. All documentation delivered to the physical address contained in this form must be delivered during the official Departmental Officer Hours which is visible on the Departmental gate.
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#### Departmental Details

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## 1. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER (EAP) INFORMATION

EAP Company Name:	Enviro-Insight CC			
B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	4	Percentage Procurement recognition	100%
EAP name:	Corné Niemandt			
EAP Qualifications:	BSc (Honors) in Wildlife Management, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa			
Professional affiliation/registration:	SACNASP (116598) South African Association of Botanists (2018-2021) International Association for Impact Assessment South Africa (2018-2021) IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Committee member (2021-2023) GDARD EAP Forum Committee member (2020-2022)			
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The appointed EAP must meet the requirements of Regulation 13 of GN R982 of 04 December 2014, as amended.

## 2. DECLARATION BY THE EAP

I, Corné Niemandt declare that –

- I act as the independent environmental assessment practitioner in this application;
- I have expertise in conducting environmental impact assessments, including knowledge of the Act, Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- I will take into account, to the extent possible, the matters listed in Regulation 13 of the Regulations when preparing the application and any report relating to the application;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the Competent Authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the Competent Authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the Competent Authority, unless access to that information is protected by law, in which case it will be indicated that such information exists and will be provided to the Competent Authority;
- I will perform all obligations as expected from an environmental assessment practitioner in terms of the Regulations; and
- I am aware of what constitutes an offence in terms of Regulation 48 and that a person convicted of an offence in terms of Regulation 48(1) is liable to the penalties as contemplated in Section 49B of the Act.

**Disclosure of Vested Interest (delete whichever is not applicable)**

- I do not have and will not have any vested interest (either business, financial, personal or other) in the proposed activity proceeding other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the Regulations;

- ~~• I have a vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding, such vested interest being:~~

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Signature of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner

Enviro-Insight CC

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Name of Company:

13 June 2022

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Date

**3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION**

I, Corné Niemandt, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.



Signature of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner

Enviro-Insight CC

Name of Company

13 June 2022

Date



Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

**JACQUES GEORGE BASCH**  
*Commissioner of Oaths*  
*Chartered Accountant (SA)*  
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13-06-2022

Date

# Appendix F2:

## CV



## Personal details

Full Name           Corné Niemandt  
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## Key areas of expertise

- **Botanist**            Conducting plant species and terrestrial biodiversity assessments as well as alien invasive species management as part of legal processes and management decision-making.
- **Environmental Assessment Practitioner**   Writing and collating Basic Assessment (BA) and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) reports for various developments to obtain environmental authorisation
- **Environmental Control Officer**   Monitoring and auditing construction sites for environmental, health and safety issues

## Memberships & Certificates

- SACNASP Registered Professional Natural Scientist in the field of Ecological Science - Registration Number: 116598
- South African Association of Botanists (2018-2022)
- International Association for Impact Assessment South Africa (2018-2022)
- IAIAasa NEC Committee member (2022-2023)
- IAIAasa Gauteng Branch Committee member (2021-2022)
- GDARD EAP Forum Committee member (2020-2022)
- SAEON Graduate Student Network Membership (2013-2019)
- Invitation from Golden Key International Honour Society (2010)

## Employment

Compiled more than 45 ecological assessments and alien invasive species management. Project management and reporting of EIAs, including Basic Assessments, Scoping and EIAs, S24G rectification applications, amendment applications, and prospecting and mining right applications.

2017 - present        Environmental Assessment Practitioner, Environmental Control Officer (ECO) and Ecological Specialist at Enviro-Insight CC.  
Responsible for writing BA and EIA reports, conducting ecological assessments, writing ECO reports, GIS mapping, and project management.

2016 - 2017        Ecologist and Consultant at Bokamoso Landscape Architects and Environmental Consultants CC  
Responsible for conducting ecological assessments as part of the EIA process and compile EIAs, BAs and WULAs.

2015                Freelance (7 weeks) for Ecotone Freshwater Consultants CC

2012 - 2015        Tutor for first year Botany modules, University of Pretoria. Responsible for assisting students during practicals and managing demonstrators.

2014 - 2015        Organiser of journal club for the Ecology unit, Department of Plant Science, University of Pretoria.

2014                Guest lecturer for botany honours module BOT 788: Vegetation classification, Department of Plant Science, University of Pretoria.

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2014	Mentoring third year student part of mentorship programme, Department Plant Science.
2013	Invasive plant species survey for M2 Environmental Connections.
2012	WULA and Aquatic Assistant at Menco
2012	Fieldwork at Richard Bay Minerals part of coastal dune rehabilitation programme

## Education

### Completed Degrees and Institution

2015	M.Sc. Plant Science, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa
2012	B.Sc. (Hons) Zoology, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa
2011	B.Sc. Ecology, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa
2007	Merensky High School, Tzaneen, Limpopo Province, South Africa

## Publications & Contributions

Niemandt, C. and Greve, M. 2016. Fragmentation metric proxies provide insights into historical biodiversity loss in critically endangered grassland. *Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment* 235, 172–181. doi.org/10.1016/j.agee.2016.10.018

Niemandt, C., Kovacs, K.M., Lydersen, C., Dyer, B.M., Isaksen, K., Hofmeyr, G.J.G., & de Bruyn, P.J.N. 2015. Chinstrap and macaroni penguin diet and demography at Nyrøysa, Bouvetøya, Southern Ocean. *Antarctic Science*. doi:10.1017/S0954102015000504

## Courses attended

- Introduction to Environmental Impact Assessment and Auditing (Department of Geography, Geoinformatics and Meteorology).
- Basic Wetland Workshop (Gauteng wetland forum, DWS, GDARD, ARC).
- R for basic statistics (Department Plant Science, University of Pretoria).
- Basic statistics (Department Plant Science, University of Pretoria).
- General Linear Modelling (Department Plant Science, University of Pretoria).
- Georeferencing course (SANBI).
- Spatial Analysis with ArcGIS (ESRI, South Africa).

## Conferences and Workshops

### Attended

- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. Bringing Sustainable Cities & IEM to Life, 27 October 2021.
- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. Proposed Amendments to the Financial Provisioning Regulations (2015), 1 September 2021.
- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. Ecosystems Service Impact Assessment, 21 April 2021.
- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. 2020 Species Environmental Assessment Best Practice Guidelines, 21 May 2020.
- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. Renewable Energy Session, 22 January 2020.
- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. Incorporating Biodiversity and Wetland Offsets into the EIA process, Midrand, 24 July 2019.
- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. Integration of Climate Change Assessments in EIA's, Midrand, 15 May 2019.
- IAIAsa Gauteng Branch Event. SAHRA Heritage Workshop, Midrand, 26 February

2019.

- IAIA 2018 Energy symposium, Midrand, 17 August 2018.
- IAIA 18. 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Association for Impact Assessment. Durban, South Africa, 16-19 May 2018.
- Section 21 (c) and (i) water use authorisation training. Department of Water and Sanitation, Sub-Directorate In-stream Water Use, February 2018
- IAIA Webinar: Accessing and interpreting biodiversity information for high-level biodiversity screening. 10 April 2018.

### Contributions

- Spatial changes in vegetation cover over time in a highly threatened vegetation complex, Limpopo Province. 41st SAAB Annual Conference, Tshipise (University of Venda), January 2015.
- Anthropogenic impacts on a highly threatened vegetation complex, Limpopo province. XXth AETFAT Congress, Stellenbosch, January 2014.
- Anthropogenic impacts on a highly threatened vegetation complex, Limpopo province. Biodiversity Southern Africa Conference, Cape Town, December 2013.
- Land use change and the effects of habitat fragmentation on a highly threatened vegetation complex, Limpopo province. GSN SAEON Indibano Conference, Cape Town, August 2013.
- Spatial changes in vegetation cover over time in a highly threatened vegetation complex, Limpopo Province. 41st SAAB Annual Conference, Tshipise (University of Venda), January 2015.

### Software Skills



### Language skills

Language	Speaking	Reading	Writing
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Afrikaans	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

### Referees

- Dr. Veldie van Greuning (*Pr.Sci.Nat: D.Sc*; SACNASP mentor)  
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- Dr. Michelle Greve (M.Sc. supervisor at UP)  
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## Project Experience

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Time span	Nature of project	Capacity	Industry / Sector	Client / Developer	Country (Province)
2021	Social Impact Assessment	Consultant	Forestry	Komaza Pty Ltd	Kenya (Kilifi and Kwale)
2021	Terrestrial Biodiversity Assessment	Botanist / Ecologist	Renewable Energy / Solar	CSIR / ADO Wind	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2020-2021	Pofadder Environmental Impact Assessment	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Renewable Energy / Onshore Wind	Genesis Eco-Energy Developments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2020-2021	Pofadder Terrestrial Biodiversity and Plant species assessments	Botanist/Ecologist	Renewable Energy / Onshore Wind	Genesis Eco-Energy Developments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2020-2021	Aggeneys Environmental Impact Assessment	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Renewable Energy / Onshore Wind	Genesis Eco-Energy Developments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2020-2021	Aggeneys Terrestrial Biodiversity and Plant species assessments	Botanist/Ecologist	Renewable Energy / Onshore Wind	Genesis Eco-Energy Developments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2020-2021	Botterblom Environmental Impact Assessment	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Renewable Energy / Onshore Wind	Genesis Eco-Energy Developments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2020-2021	Botterblom Terrestrial Biodiversity and Plant species assessments	Botanist/Ecologist	Renewable Energy / Onshore Wind	Genesis Eco-Energy Developments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2020-2021	Natural Resource Assessment	Ecologist	Oil & Gas	TEPMA1 / TOTAL	Mozambique (Cabo Delgado)
2020	Motor oil spill along the Upper Jukskei River Catchment.	Botanist/Ecologist	Oil cleanup	Menco / Fuchs Lubricants	South Africa (Gauteng)
2020	SEA for Stormwater Drainage System and Sanitation Development Plan	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Infrastructure / Water	DAR / Mwanza Local Municipality	Tanzania (Mwanza)
2019	Mine Monitoring, Rehabilitation and Alien Invasive Species Management Programme	Botanist / Ecologist	Mining / Gold	ERM / Barrick Mine	Tanzania
2019	Critical habitat Assessment	Botanist / Ecologist	Mining / Gold	New Liberty	Liberia
2019	Majuba Ecology Assessment	Botanist / Ecologist	Power Station expansion	Eskom / Advisian Worley Parsons	South Africa (Mpumalanga)
2019	Bloemsmond Terrestrial Biodiversity and Plant species Assessment	Botanist / Ecologist	Renewable Energy / Solar	Bloemsmond Solar 3, 4, 5 (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Northern Cape)
2019	Dunbar Mining Right Application and EIA	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Mining / Coal	Vandabyte (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Mpumalanga)
2019	Basic Assessment for Environmental Authorisation	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Development / Housing	Mr. Eddy Marais	South Africa (Gauteng)
2019	Mitochondria Prefeasibility Assessment	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Energy sector	Mitochondria Energy Company	South Africa (Gauteng/KZN)
2019	Welgedacht Prospecting Right Application and Basic Assessment	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Mining / Coal	Wozimart (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)

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2019	Ecological and Biodiversity Assessment and Alien Invasive Species Management Programme	Botanist/Ecologist	Rehabilitation and Development	City of Ekurhuleni / Advisian Worley Parsons	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Bloemendal Mining Right Application and EIA	EAP / Consultant Project Manager	Coal Mining	Totapix (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Ecological report (Simon's Town)	Botanist/Ecologist	Development	Advisian (WorleyParsons Group)	South Africa (Western Cape)
2018	Ecological report and Alien Invasive Species Management Programme	Botanist/Ecologist	Development	Advisian (WorleyParsons Group)	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Monitoring – Sebenza and Prospect substations	ECO	Electricity - Power Stations	Eskom / City Power	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Flora Assessment (Tiegerpoort)	Botanist	Development - Recreational	Henwood Environmental Solutions (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Environmental Management Programme	EAP	Development - Diesel storage	Olmex (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Flora assessment (Founders Hill Sewer Pipeline)	Botanist	Development - Pipeline	M&T Developments	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Update Flora assessment ( Highlands Precinct 1, Modderfontein)	Botanist	Development - Residential	M&T Developments	South Africa (Gauteng)
2018	Biodiversity Impact Assessment	Botanist	Prospecting Right	Moloi Granite (PTY) LTD	South Africa (North West)
2018	Flora Assessment (Simon's Town)	Botanist	Development – Residential	Advisian	South Africa (Western Cape)
2018	S24G Basic Assessment (Shooting Range)	EAP and project manager	Development – Shooting Range	Mooinooi Shooting Club	South Africa (North West)
2018	Flora Assessment (Ritsako)	Botanist	Development - Recreational	Legacy Environmental Management Consulting (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Ecological Assessment (Mogwase)	Botanist	Development - Filling Station	Lethabo Supermarket	South Africa (North West)
2017	Ecological Assessment (Ramsgate)	Botanist	Development - Filling Station	Complete Fuel Solution	South Africa (KZN)
2017	Ecological Assessment (Pietermaritzburg)	Botanist	Development - Filling Station	Complete Fuel Solution	South Africa (KZN)
2017	Vegetation Survey (Nkosi City Development)	Botanist	Development – Mixed-use	Nkosi City Development (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Mpumalanga)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Hazeldean Class 3 Road)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - Road	City of Tshwane	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Hartebeeshoek development)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - residential and filling station	Metroplan Town Planners and Urban Designers	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Mooibosch)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - Recreational Resort	Barend Terblanche Landskap spesialis (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (La Montagne)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - reservoir	City of Tshwane	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Nancefield x4 Township upgrade)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - Residential	Urban Dynamics	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Basic Assessment (Peach Tree x24)	EAP	Development – Industrial		
2017	Basic Assessment (Mooibosch)	Assisting EAP and Project management	Development - Recreational Resort	Barend Terblanche Landskap spesialis (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)

2017	Basic Assessment (Hennopsriver)	Assisting EAP	Prospecting Right Application	Kaywell Holdings Pty Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Protected Trees relocation plan for Thula mall development	Botanist	Development - Mall	Twin City Development (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Mpumalanga)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Wheatlands Urban Solar Farm)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - Solar farm	Solar Reserve	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Peach Tree x25: Industrial Extension 1 and 2)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - Industrial	NISAGYN (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Rooihuiskraal North x 29)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - Residential	Lezmin 1066 BK	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016/2017	Fauna and Flora Assessments (Wutomi Camp, Klaserie Private Nature Reserve)	Botanist and Zoologist	Development - S24G rectification	Thomas Roodt	South Africa (Mpumalanga)
2016/2017	Integrated WULA for Triple C Feedlot	Consultant and project manager	Agriculture	Triple C Feedlot	South Africa (KZN)
2016/2017	Integrated WULA for AFT Feedlot	Consultant and project manager	Agriculture	AFT Feedlot	South Africa (KZN)
2016	Fauna Assessment Greengate x77	Botanist	Industrial and commercial township	Schmidenberg Investments CC	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Graystone	Botanist	Residential development	André Wright	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Steelpoort Shopping Centre	Botanist	Shopping Centre		South Africa (Mpumalanga)
2016	Flora Assessment Waterfall Kikuyu	Botanist	Residential development	Balwin Properties	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Winterveld x5	Botanist	Township development	Luthuli Development Planners (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Leeuwpoot South	Botanist	Development (Mixed-used)	Leeuwpoot Development (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Parkdene x7	Botanist	Development (Mixed-used)	Leeuwpoot Development (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Reigerpark x19	Botanist	Development (Mixed-used)	Leeuwpoot Development (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Fairlands Metro Boulevard Interchange	Botanist	Road / Interchange development	Century Property Developments	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Fortklipdam	Botanist	Pipeline	Ramaliane Trust	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Lanseria x51	Botanist	Development (Mixed-used)	Extension 24 Commercial Leasing Co (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Lanseria x53	Botanist	Township development	Extension 24 Commercial Leasing Co (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Basic Assessment (Pretoria Gardens x5 – Phase 3)	Assisting EAP and project manager	Development – Residential	Pretoria Gardens x3 (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Lanseria x66	Botanist	Development (Mixed-used)	Fort Strength Investments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment Lanseria x65	Botanist	Filling Station	Fort Strength Investments (Pty) Ltd	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Basic Assessment (LP 10 Amendment)	Assisting EAP	Development (Mixed-used)	ATTACQ	South Africa (Gauteng)
2016	Flora Assessment for Proposed PWV17	Botanist	Road development	Hatch Goba	South Africa (Gauteng)

2016	Fauna and Flora Assessment for Riverwalk	Botanist / Ecologist	Development / Residential	Balwin Properties	South Africa (Gauteng)
2013	Invasive plant species survey	Botanist / Ecologist	Mine / Coal	M2 Environmental Connections	South Africa (Mpumalanga)

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