

SUSTAINABILITY WEEK 2024

SPEAKER PROFILES

**FORGING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE:
STRATEGIES AND TOOLS FOR ACCELERATED
IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABILITY
STANDARDS IN AFRICA**

**DATE: 19 - 22 AUGUST 2024
TIME: 14:00 - 16:30
(GMT+2)**



BRUCE VIVIAN

HEAD OF ACCOUNTANCY EDUCATION



Bruce qualified as a Chartered Accountant in South Africa in 2006. He started his career by spending six years with PwC in assurance before taking a three-year hiatus to serve in his local church as a youth pastor. In 2013, he joined the learning & development unit at the Auditor-General South Africa as a manager for technical learning. He graduated with a Master of Commerce (Accounting) in 2016.

Before joining IFAC, Bruce served as Senior Manager of Professionalization at the African Organisation of English-speaking Supreme Audit Institutions (AFROSAI-E), where he led the establishment of the African Professionalisation Initiative. In this role, he also contributed to various professionalization activities in the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI) community. He was a member of the task force that developed INTOSAI's new auditor competence standard: ISSAI 150. He contributed as a content developer for the INTOSAI Development Initiative's Professional Education for SAI Auditors (PESA) project.

Bruce joined the IFAC staff in mid-2021 as a Principal. His responsibilities initially included member engagement and being the staff lead to the PAO Development & Advisory Group. In 2023, he was appointed as IFAC's Head of Accountancy Education.



MICHELLE CARDWELL

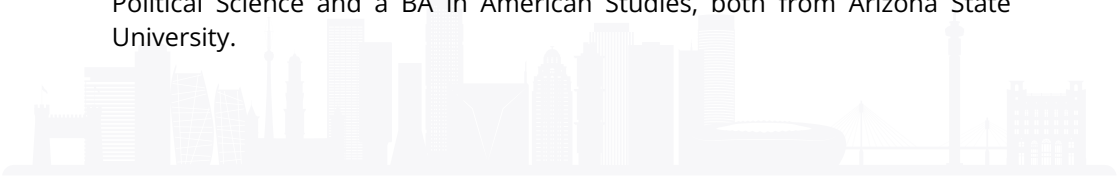
PRINCIPAL



Michelle joined IFAC at the start of 2024, focusing on accountancy education, thought leadership, and international standards. In this role, she is part of the team responsible for IFAC's International Education Standards, and works with the International Panel on Accountancy Education on revisions and supporting guidance. Michelle also supports IFAC's work to promote the development, adoption, and implementation of high-quality international standards.

Michelle began her career at Deloitte, where she spent over eight years in their risk advisory practice, specializing in providing financial reporting and financial management advice on a range of complex central government and transport projects. After leaving Deloitte, Michelle spent time at the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales (ICAEW), as well as the UK Financial Reporting Council's Lab. In both roles, she was responsible for developing guidance, thought leadership, and policy pieces on a range of financial reporting, assurance, and sustainability topics.

Michelle is a chartered accountant (ICAEW). She holds a MSc in Public Policy and Administration from the London School of Economics, and a BS in Political Science and a BA in American Studies, both from Arizona State University.



CPA CATHERINE ASEMEIT

DIRECTOR- STANDARDS & TECHNICAL SERVICES



Catherine is a seasoned leader with over 15 years extensive international and domestic experience in various industries. In her current role, at the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK) she is responsible for the provision of leadership, implementation of strategies, policies and procedures in the promotion and enforcement of standards and technical advice to the profession including monitoring and commenting on international standard setters' consultative documents, discussion papers and exposure drafts from International Accounting Standards Board and the Independent Standard Setters Boards and Committees of IFAC.

She leads the Institute in promoting standards of professional competence and practice amongst members of the Institute in Kenya through ensuring the Institute's voice is heard regarding proposals to customize new standards to factor in local jurisdictional requirements. She oversees the implementation of standards and advises on compliance including implementation of training needs resulting from the International Education Standards (IESs) and from assessment of needs of members and incorporating these to the Institute's annual Continuous Professional Development calendar.



OSEI KWAKU ADJAYE-GYAMFI

DIRECTOR, TECHNICAL AND RESEARCH



Osei has an excellent mix of qualifications and skills obtained from twenty-five years' experience working in public practice and industry.

He spent five years at Deloitte, where he obtained an in-depth understanding of both internal and external auditing procedures and issues. He was the Financial and Accounting Services Manager of the Volta River Authority (VRA) under an eighteen (18) month contract to provide accountancy and consultancy services to the VRA. He was also instrumental in providing and developing reports used for the energy sector reform whereby the VRA has been unbundled into separate generating, transmission and distribution units.

Osei has been a training facilitator on Financial Management, Budgeting, International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and Credit Management to AngloGold Ashanti Ghana Ltd, MTN Ghana Limited, Ghana Ports and Harbours Authority (GHAPOHA), Perseus Mining Group, Precious Minerals Marketing Company (PMMC) etc. He is also a training facilitator in International Public Sector Reporting Standards (IPSAS), IFRS for SMEs and International Standards on Auditing (ISA).

He joined the Institute of Chartered Accountants (Ghana) as Director, Members Services in 2013 and currently he is the Director, Technical and Research.

He is an Insolvency Practitioner and a member of the Pan Africa Federation of Accountants (PAFA) Board Sub-Committee on Corporate Value Reporting.

ROELITA CLOETE CA(SA) PROJECT DIRECTOR: LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT



Roelita Cloete CA(SA) is the Project Director: Learning and Development (Post Qualification) at SAICA. Roelita qualified as a CA(SA) in 2011 after completing her training contract with PwC in Johannesburg. She started out her career in academia and from there presented corporate training throughout Africa and South Africa for many years.

Roelita is passionate about empowerment. In her spare time, she works with residents from rural communities, teaching financial and business skills, assisting entrepreneurs to start-up small businesses, and establishing job-creation projects.

Her key drivers in life are to be innovative, creative, and making a difference.



FCPA ISAAC M. NJUGUNA

DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES



FCPA Isaac Muchiri Njuguna is the Director, Corporate Services at the Kenya Accountants and Secretaries National Examinations Board (KASNEB), the state body mandated to administer professional accountancy examinations in Kenya. He has also previously served as the Director of Examinations at KASNEB.

FCPA Njuguna has over ten years' experience in development and administration of examinations in Kenya and the East African region. He is also a member of the Accountancy Learning and Development Advisory Group of the Pan Africa Federation of Accountants (PAFA), the continental regulatory body for the profession. Previously, he served for six years as a member of the International Accounting Education Standards Board (IAESB) of IFAC. In addition, FCPA Njuguna is a member of the Technical Committee of the East Africa Institutes of Accountants.

He was awarded a fellowship by ICPAK in the year 2021 for his distinguished service to the accountancy profession nationally, regionally and globally.

FCPA Njuguna is passionate about professional accountancy education and has been instrumental in coordinating a number of curriculum reviews and development of competence frameworks aimed at enhancing the global competitiveness of business professionals. He is currently leading a technical team on capacity building on professional accountancy education for Burundi.

He is guided by a strong commitment to ethics and principles of good governance.