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**Committee on the Peaceful  
Uses of Outer Space**  
Sixtieth session  
Vienna, 7-16 June 2017

## **Composition of the bureaux of the Committee and its subsidiary bodies for the period 2018-2019**

### **Note by the Secretariat**

Note verbale ref.: No. 325/MP/2017 received by the Secretariat on 8 June 2017 from the Permanent Mission of Algeria to the United Nations Office and International Organizations in Vienna:

“The Permanent Mission of the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria to the United Nations Office and International Organizations in Vienna, in its capacity of the chair of the African Group, presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Office of Outer Space Affairs and has the honor to inform that the African Group has nominated **Ms. Pontsho Maruping (South Africa)**, the Chair of the South African Council of Space Affairs, for the chairmanship of the of the COPUOUS Technical and Scientific Subcommittee for the period 2018-2019.”

The curriculum vitae of Ms. Pontsho Maruping is contained below.

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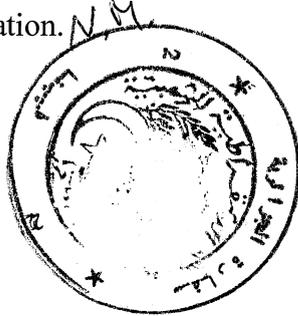


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The Permanent Mission of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria-Chair of the African Group- to the United Nations Office and International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Office of Outer Space Affairs, the assurances of its highest consideration.



Vienna, 08 June 2017

# Pontsho Maruping

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## CURRICULUM VITAE

The key highlights of Ms Maruping's career include:

- Co-chaired the Science and Technology Committee of the Group on Earth Observations (GEO) in 2007-2008.
- Co-chairing an ad-hoc international task team for GEO that drafted the report presented to an inter-ministerial meeting which South Africa hosted in November 2007.
- Led the establishment of the South African National Space Agency.
- Chaired the Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS) on behalf of South Africa from 2007-2008.
- Served on the South African Council for Space Affairs since 2008 and appointed as the Chairperson of the Council in 2016.

A detailed CV is attached for additional information.

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## TERTIARY EDUCATION

| <b>Name of Degree / Diploma / Course</b>                  | <b>Institution/Completion Date</b>                      |
|---|---|
| Executive MBA   | International Institute for Management Development 2015 |
| Masters in Space Systems Engineering                      | Delft University of Technology 2008                     |
| Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Management of Technology | University of Pretoria 2006                             |
| Bachelor of Science (Engineering) in Mineral Processing   | University of Witwatersrand 1998                        |
| National Diploma in Economic Geology                      | Witwatersrand Technikon 1991                            |
| Diploma in Science Education                              | University of Lesotho 1988                              |

## CAREER

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| 2016 – present | Head of Commercialisation at SKA  |
| 2011 – 2015    | Group Executive: Innovation Funding and pre-Commercialisation               |
| 2008 – 2010    | CEO: Mine Health and Safety Council   |
| 2006 – 2008    | Chief Director: Space Science and Technology, DST                           |
| 2005 – 2006    | Chief Director (frontier programmes and CSIR), DST                          |
| 2002 – 2005    | Deputy Director (technology transfer) and Director (advanced manufacturing) |
| 1998 – 2002    | Mineral Processing Engineer, De Beers Consolidated Mines                    |
| 1988 – 1992    | Head: Electron Microprobe Unit, Anglo American Research Laboratories        |