



## BIO SPEAKERS AT WORLD SOIL DAY WEBINAR/SEMINAR ON 5 DECEMBER 2023

### TSEKE NKADIMENG

Tseke Nkadimeng obtained his B COMPT, B COM (hons) from the University of KwaZulu- Natal. His career started as an accountant at KPMG from 1997 till 2001 followed by Marketing accountant at Denel SOC from 2001 till 2002. He is a Save Soil Ambassador, and currently Founder and Executive Chairman of Eco Africa Energy (Pty) Ltd Petroleum Wholesale based in Mpumalanga and Mopong Investments, a Cattle farming operation and property investment company. Tseke Nkadimeng was involved in various business and organisations in recent past.

Tseke was the CEO of Afric Oil from 2009 till he sold the company to Sacoil/Efora during 2017, Financial Manager for Worldwide African Investments Holdings (Pty) Ltd. He is currently affiliated to the group Conscious Planet.



### DR. GARRY PATERSON

Garry Paterson was born in Scotland, where he obtained his BSc (Hons) degree in Geography from the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow. He is currently a Research Team Manager with the ARC-Institute for Soil, Climate and Water in Pretoria, where he has worked since 1981, obtaining his MSc degree (*cum laude*) in Soil Science from the University of Pretoria in 1998 and his PhD degree (in soil erosion control using geotextiles) through the same University in 2014.

Garry is a registered soil scientist with SACNASP and has been involved in soil classification and mapping across most of South Africa for most of his career, including land type surveys, irrigation surveys and a range of soil investigations for a wide range of purposes, including environmental impact assessments. These have included the Gautrain project, a range of Eskom transmission lines, as well as surveys for mining, housing, roads, pipelines and forestry.

He is the past President of the Soil Science Society of South Africa (SSSSA), as well as a previous Convenor of the South African Soil Classification Working Group. He is the author of several research articles, and was the recipient of the SSSSA award for the best soil science article in the SA Journal of Plant and Soil for 2011.



### **DR. DAVE TURNER**

Dr. Dave Turner is a soil scientist who worked for over 40 years at the Soil & Irrigation Research Institute (later ARC-Institute for Soil, Climate and Water), retiring as Research Team Manager for Soil Science in 2015. He was responsible for surveying and mapping the soils of large parts of South Africa, mainly in the then Transvaal and Natal.

Dave received his BSc and MSc degrees from the University of Natal, and his PhD from the University of Pretoria in 2000. He is a past-President of the Soil Science Society of South Africa, as well as previous convenor of the Soil Classification Working Group, and he is a SACNASP-registered soil scientist.



### **DR. AART-JAN VERSCHOOR**

Aart-Jan Verschoor has a degree in Plant Production, a Masters in Pasture Science, a diploma in Agricultural Research for Development and a PhD in agricultural economics. He has been with the ARC for 20 years and is the Senior Manager for Agrimetrics. His responsibilities include guidance of post graduate students, a team of biometricians and facilitating trans-disciplinary farm assessments.

He is interested in inter-institutional, trans-disciplinary R&D that integrates natural and social science. He has authored scientific and popular publications and presented papers and posters. He is married and has three children, likes nature, antiques, music and certain sports.

