
INDEPENDENT REGULATORY BOARD FOR AUDITORS

IRBA Mourns the death of Auditor General Kimi Makwetu

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Dear Stakeholder

The Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors (IRBA) mourns the untimely passing of the Auditor-General (AG), Mr Kimi Makwetu.

Mr Makwetu was a true servant of the public, an inspirational leader who, over the years, brought the office of the Auditor-General closer to the people of South Africa. His advocacy efforts on the role of the AG's office and the measures he put in place to hold other public servants accountable, is appreciated by all.

Kimi built a strong culture of fighting against corruption and exposing financial mismanagement in government through the work of his office. My engagements with him, when I took over this role, demonstrated a committed professional who cared deeply for the people of South Africa. He was eager to collaborate with all stakeholders to restore trust in the auditing profession - a task we should all continue in his honour.

His commitment to improving audit quality in the public sector is shared by the IRBA which has already put many measures in place to improve audit quality in the private sector. His fight to ensure that taxpayer's money was correctly spent came from his determination to do the right thing.

South Africa and the auditing profession are poorer without the leadership of Kimi Makwetu. Our condolences go out to his family, friends and colleagues at the Office of the Auditor General South Africa.

Jenitha John
Chief Executive Officer

About the IRBA

The objective of the IRBA is to endeavour to protect the financial interests of the South African public and international investors in South Africa through the effective and appropriate regulation of audits conducted by registered auditors, in accordance with internationally recognised standards and processes.