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MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING**MINISTERIAL TASK TEAM ON THE FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION IN POST-SCHOOL EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

I, Grace Naledi Mandisa Pandor, MP, Minister of Higher Education and Training, in accordance with Treasury Regulation 20 [issued in terms of Public Financial Management Act, 1999 (Act No 1 of 1999)] hereby establish the Ministerial Task Team on the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) in Post-School Education and Training to advise on how the PSET system should take up opportunities presented by the 4IR and prepare a report on how the Department should respond to the challenges and opportunities posed by the 4IR.

The objectives of the Ministerial Task Team are to:

- identify current 4IR initiatives in institutions in the PSET system (significant programmes directed at taking advantage of the 4IR) as well as external initiatives impacting on the PSET system;
- analyse the impact of 4IR on the PSET system; and
- identify priority areas and interventions that should be undertaken by the Minister of Higher Education and Training in order to advance digital skills and absorption by industry.

Members of the Ministerial Team are:

- Prof Bo Xing (Chairperson), Associate Professor, Institute for Intelligence Systems (IIS), University of Johannesburg;
- Prof Zeblon Vilakazi, Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Research, University of Witwatersrand;
- Dr Colin Thakur, Research Chair on Digitisation, Co Labs, Durban University of Technology;
- Dr Geci Karuri-Sebina, South African Coordinator: African Development Bank Study on the 4th Industrial Revolution and the Future of Work in Africa, African Centre for Economic Transformation (ACET);
- Ms Nicola Galombik, Founder and Chairman of the Board of Harambee Youth Employment Accelerator;
- Ms Zamantungwa Khumalo, Head of Content: Supplements and Commercial Projects - Mail and Guardian, World Economic Forum Global Shaper - Tshwane Hub;
- Ms Ilse Karg, Chief Director: Future Production Technologies 4th Industrial Revolution, Department of Trade and Industry; and
- Dr Adriana Marais, Aspiring Martian and Head of Innovation, SAP Africa.

The Ministerial Task Team will produce a report that presents the findings from the investigation, and that makes recommendations which advises how the Department should respond to the challenges and opportunities posed by the 4IR.

The work of the Ministerial Task Team will commence from the date of publication of this Notice and conclude in January 2020.

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 Dr GNM Pandor, MP

Minister of Higher Education and Training

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