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Knowledge Building Webinar (KBW)

Workforce Professionalisation

ADVANCING ECCE TEACHING STANDARDS & POLICY IDEOLOGIES

Date: 9th October 2024 — Time: 15h00 - 16h30(SAST) — Platform: Online via MS Teams

Ms Sheila Drew

Ms Sheila Drew is a Programme Specialist in ECD at Saide, leads initiatives to expand quality learning through face-to-face, blended, and online contexts. With a focus on partnerships and resource development, she also co-ordinates the African Storybook initiative, enhancing access to local language storybooks across Africa.



Dr Colwyn Martin

Dr Colwyn Deborah Martin is a senior Lecturer at Wits University, is an expert in early literacy and teacher professionalisation. Her work in innovative pedagogy and reflective teaching informs national research projects that transform early childhood education and teacher development.

Prof Hasina Ebrahim

Prof Hasina Banu Ebrahim is a distinguished CR1 NRF rated professor at UNISA and UNESCO Co-chair in Early Education, Care, and Development. She challenges dominant narratives, advocating for diversity, equity, and complexity in early childhood education. Recognised by the South African National Research Foundation and awarded nationally, her influential work includes extensive



Prof Mary Clasquin - Johnson

Prof Mary Clasquin-Johnson is an associate professor at UNISA specialising in early identification and learning support for children with Autism. With over 30 years of experience in ECCE, she is a dedicated advocate for Early Childhood workforce professionalism and social justice. Her work includes co-editing the first African scholarly book on Autism in education. Prof. Clasquin-Johnson's contributions span teaching, policy advising, and research, making her a key figure in inclusive education.

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