



National Student Financial Aid Scheme

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NSFAS WELCOMES DR. MUGWENA MALULEKE AS ACTING BOARD CHAIRPERSON

The National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) warmly welcomes Dr. Mugwena Maluleke on his appointment as the Acting Chairperson of the NSFAS Board, effective 10 November 2025. This appointment follows the announcement by the Minister of Higher Education and Training, Mr. Buti Manamela, and is made in accordance with section 5(1)(iii) of the NSFAS Act (1999), subsequent to the resignation of the previous Chairperson.

Dr Maluleke, who is currently serving as a member of the NSFAS Board, brings a wealth of leadership and governance experience to his new role. He is widely recognised for his longstanding commitment to education and social justice in South Africa. Dr Maluleke is a seasoned educationist, trade unionist, and academic.

His academic credentials include a Doctorate in Education, and he has contributed extensively to advancing educational transformation in the country. Dr Maluleke's expertise in policy development, stakeholder engagement, and organisational leadership is well regarded, and NSFAS is confident that his guidance will further strengthen the organisation's commitment to supporting students in need.

We wish Dr Maluleke every success in his new role and look forward to his leadership as NSFAS continues its mandate to provide financial assistance to deserving students across South Africa.

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