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Profession	Environmental Consultant
Position	Director
Date of Birth	21.01.1975
Specialisation	Public Involvement
Start date with ACER (Africa)	1 January 2000
Experience:	6 years

Qualifications:

1994 – 1998: University of Zululand

BSc (Majors - Ecology and Microbiology)

Membership of Professional Institutions:

 International Association for Impact Assessment (South African Chapter)

Ms. Bongi Shinga: a Shareholder of ACER, holds a BSc degree with majors in Microbiology and Ecology. Her project work on the Thukela Water Project Decision Support Phase, the establishment of a Catchment Management Agency for the Thukela Water Management Area and her role in the development of a Water Licensing Toolkit, has established Bongi with an impeccable reputation in the application of the principles and practices of the National Water Act in South Africa.

Bongi has also excelled in the field of public participation. She has gained a reputation for excellence and diligence with many clients, especially Eskom. Bongi has managed and undertaken public participation as part of environmental impact assessments for the following recent large, linear projects: Eros-Neptune-Grassridge Transmission Line (KwaZulu-Natal and Eastern Cape), the Braamhoek Pumped Storage Scheme (KwaZulu-Natal and Free State) and the Hydra-Perseus 765 kV Transmission Line (Free State and Northern Cape). She is currently project manage public participation for the Gamma-Grassridge EIA for Eskom. These projects have involved communication, liaison and facilitation across a wide spectrum of sectors, including, communities, government departments, farmers, businesses and nature conservation organisations. Bongi is well-versed in the requirements of public participation as applied in environmental assessments in South and Southern Africa.

Relevant Project Experience:

2005 - 2006	Department: Water and Forestry. Water Conservation and Water Demand Management Potential Assessment: Mokolo River Catchment. Stakeholder Participation and KAP Survey.
2005 - 2006	Eskom Transmission. Proposed construction of a 765kV Transmission Power Line from Dealesville (Free State) to De Aar (Northern Cape). Environmental Impact Assessment: Public Participation Consultant
2004 – 2005	Eskom Transmission. Braamhoek Transmission Power Line & Sub-Station Integration for the Braamhoek Pumped Storage Scheme. Public Participation Consultant.
2003 – 2004	Department for International Development and Department: Water and Forestry. Developing a Toolkit for Water Use Allocation Planning. Communication, Community Participation, Rural Community Upliftment.
2004	European Union. Support to Wild Coast Spatial Development Initiatives. Communication and Stakeholder Facilitation Aspect for the Mbizana and Qaukeni Conservation Development Initiatives.
2004	Mhlathuze Water. Water Conservation Awareness Program. Planning and Facilitation.
2004	Department: Water and Forestry. Integrated Water Resource Management: Mining. Stakeholder Consultation.



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