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Area of Research/Teaching

Water production and Supply Corporation

Biography

Dr Kaliki Kambanda works for NamWater, as a Head of a business unit, where she is responsible for the production, distribution and sales of bulk and retail water, to the population in the North Central part of Namibia.

She has started her career as a hydrologist, shortly after completing her first degree, in the Department of Water Affair, in the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Rural Development then. While in the department, Kaliki took sabbatical leave and went to Stockholm to do her Master's degree' class work for 9 months, where-after she returned to complete her research work and the rest of the requirements at home.

After six years at the Ministry, Kaliki joined NamWater as a Chemical Technician, attending to water quality assurance in the Southern Regional office. After two years as a chemical technician, Kaliki applied and moved into a position of an Area Manager for NamWater, in the Cuvelai Unit in the North Central part of Namibia.

During her time in the Cuvelai, after about six years again, a restructuring process was convened in NamWater, where Kaliki was placed into a position of water supply infrastructure and sufficiency planning, as a Senior Scientist. While in this position, Kaliki started her doctorate work, with the assistance of ISOE, an institute of social and ecological research work in Germany. After sometime of part time studying and research, I again took sabbatical leave from work for 14 months to go and concentrate on the writing of my doctorate thesis fulltime at the University of Darmstadt in Germany, where one of my supervising professors is.

To date, Kaliki is appointed as a Chief Operations officer for the Northern Business Unit in NamWater, where she is responsible for the Strategy plan in the supply of water in the Northern Unit for NamWater business for the safety, sustainability and continuity (among others) to both the urban and rural population in that part of the country.

Else, Kaliki is a mother of four (1 girl and 3 boys), two (girl and 1 boy) biological and two adopted boys that she enjoys mothering outside her professional commitments.