



SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

# SAHRA HERITAGE MONTH 2025

## HERITAGE WEEK WEBINAR

**Day 2: Disaster Risk Management in the Heritage Sector:  
From Policy to Practice**

17 September 2025

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## DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT IN THE HERITAGE SECTOR – FROM POLICY TO PRACTICE

Effective disaster preparedness is key to protecting heritage in a time of increasing climate volatility. Day 2 will focus on how South Africa's heritage institutions, local governments, and communities are integrating heritage protection into disaster risk reduction frameworks. Presentations will explore emergency planning, legislative gaps, inter-agency coordination, and recovery strategies following recent floods, fires, and other natural disasters. The day offers a platform for strengthening policy, planning, and practical responses.

**Date: 17th September 2025**

**Platform: Microsoft Teams**

**Time: 09:30 am – 13:00 pm**

**Programme Director: Mr Robin George**

### Introduction

- 1) **Adv. Lungisa Malgas** | Welcome and Opening | **10:00 am**
- 2) **Ms. Elodie Tlhoaele** | Introduction to G20 | **10:10 am**
- 3) **Ms. Nkhasi-Lesaoana** | Purpose | **10:20 am**

### Main Session

- **Prof. Lochner Marais:** Jagersfontein Pit Disaster | **10:30 am**
- **Sabelo Madlala:** Emergency Preparedness and Response Plans for Museums and Heritage Sites: Robben Island Case Study | **11:15 am**
- **Sabelo Khumalo:** Oil Spill Model and Heritage Sites: Planning for Future Potential Disasters, and Anticipating Impacts to Heritage Resources and Proposed Mitigations | **12:00 pm**

### Closing Session

- Thank you and closing remarks

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