

## **RON JOSIAS ELECTED ILAC TREASURER**



**Dr Ron Josias**

The SADCAS Board, management and staff would like to extend our hearty wishes for Dr Ron Josias' successful election to the position of Treasurer of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation for the period 2021 - 2023. ILAC is the world's principal international forum for the development of laboratory and inspection body accreditation practices and procedures, and the promotion of laboratory and inspection body accreditation as a trade facilitation tool.

We are very proud to be associated with Dr Ron Josias who is a member of the General Assembly, the governing body of SADCAS having been admitted thereon in September 2020.

Dr Ron Josias is the immediate past CEO of SANAS who retired from SANAS end of May 2020 having been its CEO for 11 years. Dr Josias has over 22 years' experience in accreditation and holds leadership positions in AFRAC and SADCA besides ILAC with affiliation from SADCAS. Apart from holding leadership roles in AFRAC, Dr Josias was instrumental to the establishment of AFRAC and achievement of international recognition of the AFRAC MRA upon which the SADCAS recognition hinges.

We take this appointment as a sign of trust and respect that Dr Josias is held not only internationally but also continentally and regionally and wish him all the very best for the two (2) year tenure and work ahead.

SADCAS is a multi-economy accreditation body established in terms of Article 15 B of the Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Annex to the SADC Protocol on Trade with the primary purpose of ensuring that conformity assessment service providers operating in those SADC Member States which do not have national accreditation bodies are subject to an oversight by an authoritative body. SADCAS is a full member of ILAC having been admitted as a signatory to the ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement in 2015.

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