

Agrément South Africa (ASA) welcomes the new board during the inauguration, bids farewell to outgoing members and holds a strategic session.



ASA Outgoing Board Members



ASA Incoming Board members



ASA recently hosted a significant two-day event, starting with the inauguration of its new Board of Directors and a heartfelt farewell to the outgoing members. The event was followed by a strategic planning session the next day. It was held at Protea Fire & Ice Menlyn on 19-20 August 2024, and it set a clear direction for the organisation's future.

The first day began with a ceremony dedicated to honouring the outgoing board members, who have been pivotal in guiding ASA through substantial growth and transformation. The outgoing Acting Chairperson, Prof. Jeffrey Mahachi, delivered a reflective speech highlighting the Board's achievements, such as transitioning from the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) to an independent body.

In recognition of their service, each outgoing member received a token of appreciation, symbolising the lasting impact of their contributions. This part of the event was marked by gratitude, celebrating the legacy left by these leaders.

Following the farewell, attention turned to the incoming board members, who were introduced to the audience with a brief overview of their backgrounds and expertise. A symbolic handover ceremony followed, during which the outgoing Acting Board Chairperson and Chairpersons of the respective Committees officially passed the responsibilities to their successor. This gesture marked the leadership transition, reinforcing the continuity of ASA's African vision, mission, and values.

The following day, EXCO and Board members convened for a strategic session to lay the groundwork for ASA's future in Africa. This session was critical in aligning the new leadership with the organisation's vision and mission and setting priorities for the coming years.

During the session, key stakeholders and Board members engaged in robust discussions on topics such as fostering collaboration with industry bodies, enhancing ASA visibility, and ways in which ASA can become an enforcing or regulatory body. The strategic session underscored the Board's commitment to driving the organisation forward in a rapidly evolving industry.

A networking session was held to round off the two-day event, offering an opportunity for outgoing and incoming Board members and other stakeholders to exchange ideas and build relationships in a more informal setting.