

International Skills Partnerships Overseas Organisation Profile

This organisation is a Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institution located in Free State Province. It has four campuses, two of which are 110 kilometres away from the main campus. Two campuses are both in The Moqhaka Municipality and the other two are in Metsimaholo Municipality. This TVET institution has a major role to play in the economic growth of the district, and the province, by offering various requisite skills to students through Learnerships, mainstream programmes in Engineering and Business Studies as well as through various short skills programmes to employees throughout the district.

Key Information

Number of full-time students	7928
Number of part-time students	2 558
Student age range	17 - 65
Number of teachers	125

Sectors and subject areas

Industry sector/subject area	Level and/or age
Chemical Engineering	Level 2-4
Electrical	Level 2-4
Business Studies	N4-N6
Welding	Level 2-4
Mechanical Engineering	N4-N6
Building and Civil Construction	N4-N6

Sector priorities for the International Skills Partnership

- **Solar and renewable energy**
- **Boiler making**

The organisation is looking to provide skills in the above sectors and is currently working on accreditation. They are looking for a broad overview of trends in these areas – and are particularly interested in provision based upon the ‘green economy’ and tackling climate change.

Theme priorities for the International Skills Partnership:

- **Curriculum design**
- **Quality assurance**

Objectives for the International Skills Partnership

The National Skills Development Strategy (Goal 4.2 Intermediate level) states that South Africa's pool of intermediate skills especially artisan skills, is too low to support national sector development and growth. The workforce is not keeping up with the skills needed to remain competitive in an increasing knowledge-based economy. The International Skills Partnership will assist this TVET institution to understand global trends and the world view on the management and implementation of programmes.

Our objective is to learn about and share best practice with other international TVET institutions in the sector areas above but also more widely - learning from international partners how they have addressed the engagement of industry and other stakeholders to source funding for economic growth, along with engagement with employers to provide valuable work experience.