



## Environmental Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement

Presented by the Centre for Environmental Studies, University of Pretoria

5 SACNASP CPD Points

The **Environmental Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement** short course prepares you with knowledge and insights to align company policies and objectives to current environmental legislation to ultimately minimise liabilities and interact with audit, inspection and enforcement processes. The training experience you will receive provides you with the foundation for environmental compliance, both in industry and in wildlife related human activities. The course also encompasses a legal perspective on environmental compliance and enforcement, as well as implications for the regulated community.

The course is presented over six weeks online and three compulsory class contact days.

### Course content

- Internal and external audit: The ISO 14001 process
- Overview of several acts (including waste, biodiversity, water, mining and coastal management) with a focus on environmental liabilities
- Environmental inspection and compliance enforcement
- Administrative mechanisms of enforcement: Directives and compliance notices
- Relevant provisions of PAIA and PAJA
- Criminal Law: Law of evidence and criminal enforcement action
- Integrated environmental management plans: The use of ISO 14001

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## Learning outcomes

After successfully completing this course, you will be able to

- assess the activities of your company within the context of existing environmental legislation
- perform an internal audit of the processes of their company with respect to legal compliance
- manage the liabilities of your company with respect to environmental legislation, and
- interact with the authorities during and after inspections.

## Evaluation and assessment

Continuous evaluation of attendees takes place during the course in the form of individual and group assignments. In addition, there is a written examination at the end of the course.

## Who should enrol?

This course is ideal for

- government officials, as well as individuals who are involved in internal legal compliance audits
- individuals and students who are involved in environmental legal compliance in industry, local government, provincial or central government
- managers of companies that have activities with environmental impact or environmental managers that are subject to environmental inspection by the authorities
- managers of companies that wish to ensure that they are environmentally compliant.

## Course fees

### **R11 000.00 per delegate (VAT incl.)**

Course fees include all course material and refreshments during contact days.

**Course fees must be paid in full 14 days prior to course start dates. Proof of payment can be submitted to [enrolments@enterprises.up.ac.za](mailto:enrolments@enterprises.up.ac.za).**

## Admission requirements

Prospective delegates should at least have a relevant post-matric qualification and/or prior work experience.

## Accreditation and certification

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## Registration and enquiries

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## Lead presenters

The programme is presented by **Dr Jenny Hall**, **Adv Phil Snijman**, **Abdul Ebrahim** and coordinated by **Prof Willem Ferguson**. The team has been involved in training in environmental legislation and environmental compliance and enforcement for more than ten years. Combined, the team boasts several decades of experience in the field of environmental law and its application in the field.

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**Dr Jenny Hall** has specialised in Environmental Law since 1994. She has been intimately involved in drafting legislation (e.g. National Environmental Management: Waste Act of 2008 and the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act of 2004) and has a particular interest in developing tools to secure the effective implementation of legislation. She has been involved in environmental compliance and enforcement work for environmental departments since 2001 where she developed a compliance and enforcement strategy for the Gauteng Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Environment. More recently, she managed the development of a National Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Strategy for EMIs for the National Department of Environmental Affairs. She has also trained officials, environmental management inspectors, environmental mineral resource inspectors and practitioners on a regular basis and drafted a magistrate's bench book on the adjudication of environmental crime for the National Department and Justice College. She holds a BA LLB and PhD degrees from the University of Cape Town, an LLM degree from Unisa, and is an honorary research associate at the University of Cape Town.

**Adv Phil Snijman** has 25 years of law experience, initially as prosecutor and state advocate, and since 2002 as consultant in Environmental Law and Management to regional and international organisations, national, provincial and local government departments and other organs of state, tertiary institutions and has advised various corporate and private clients. He has been actively involved in the training of prosecutors, environmental management inspectors, fisheries inspectors and other legal and environmental practitioners, as well as the drafting of various enforcement manuals and standard operating procedures. He holds the degrees BA LLB and MPhil (Environmental Management) from the University of Stellenbosch, an LLM (Environmental Law) from the University of Cape Town, is admitted as advocate of the High Court of South Africa (non-practising), has contributed to various academic publications. He has been appointed as extraordinary lecturer to the Centre for Environmental Studies at the University of Pretoria since 2011. He is also a member of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL).

**Abdul Ebrahim** is an environmental engineer with 17 years' experience. He holds a BEng (Hons) in both Mechanical and Environmental Engineering. He has significant experience in Environmental Management, Environmental Permitting and Legal Compliance across the manufacturing, chemicals, minerals processing, power generation and mining sectors. His work experience includes numerous greenfield developments, brownfield developments, waste recovery-recuse-recycling, hazardous waste management assessments and air quality impact management projects in the power generation, manufacturing, minerals processing, and mining industries. His interests range from atmospheric modelling and wind energy, to the beneficial use of coal combustion products and metallurgical slags as cement extenders. He is a certified Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) and member of Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA), International Association of Impact Assessment SA (IAIASa) and the National Association of Clean Air (NACA). He has provided honour's level lecturing at the University of Pretoria, Unisa, Cape Peninsula University of Technology and various private training institutions in the fields of Environmental Compliance Enforcement, Environmental Impact Assessment, Cleaner Production and Air Quality Management since 2005.

**Prof Willem Ferguson** has been associated with the Centre for Environmental Studies of the University of Pretoria since 2002 when he was appointed as Director. He coordinated and took part in the training of around 800 Environmental Management Inspectors (EMIs) for the National Department of Environment since 2006, as well as 100 Environmental Management Resource Inspectors (EMRIs) for the Department of Mineral Resources. At a university level, he coordinates master's-level training in Environmental Management and, in collaboration with industry, trains lead auditors for implementing the ISO14001 environmental standard.

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