

A brief resume of Susan Adendorff

Prof Susan Adendorff is a professional industrial engineer. She holds the degrees B Eng (Industrial)(*cum laude*), MBA and PhD (Industrial Engineering) from the University of Pretoria. She was the first female graduate in Industrial Engineering from the University of Pretoria and was the first and only woman to hold a PhD in Industrial Engineering in South Africa until late 2012. In September 2013, Susan was elected as an honorary fellow of the Southern African Institute for Industrial Engineering.

Susan was appointed as the Director: Facilities Management (designate) at the University of Pretoria from 1 February 2013 and assumed the position of Director: Facilities Management on 1 June 2013.

Previously, Susan held the position of Manager: Procurement at the University of Pretoria from May 2006 to January 2012. In this role she was responsible for the University of Pretoria's B-BBEE certificate playing a leading role in the engagement of public higher education institutions in South Africa with the BEE legislation. During 2011 she was seconded to the UP Executive for six months to assist with specific projects on succession planning and employment equity reporting. Prior to this, she was the MBA Programme Director at the Graduate School of Management at the same institution. Before joining the University of Pretoria in 2001, Susan was a staff member at UNISA for many years. She started her career as an Industrial Engineer in the early 1980's on the shop-floor of one of Armscor's plants.

Susan has consulted widely in all areas of industrial engineering. She is co-author and/or editor of three business and operations management books and has contributed to a number of articles in the field. In August 2012, the University of Pretoria launched a publication "*Pioneering the MBA in South Africa - The University of Pretoria from the GSM to GIBS - 1949 to 2011*". Susan was the editor of the publication. Proceeds of this project feed an MBA bursary fund at UP - the fund currently exceeds R1 million.

Susan is a registered professional engineer with the Engineering Council of South Africa and was a council member of the Southern African Institute for Industrial Engineering from 2007 to September 2013. She was appointed as the editor of an internationally accredited scholarly journal - the *South African Journal of Industrial Engineering* - at the end of 2007. She fulfilled this role until September 2013.

Susan was a board member of ABSA's North Gauteng Provincial Advisory Board from 2002 to 2008 and was a board member of Tuks Alumni from 2002 to 2007. She served as the Vice Chairperson of the board of PURCO (the purchasing consortium for Higher Education in Southern Africa) from 2010 to January 2013. Susan is currently a member of the project steering committee of DHET overseeing the creation of the two new universities in South Africa. She served as an adjudicator for the NSTF-BHP Billiton Awards 2012/13. Susan served on the executive of the Higher Education Facilities Management Association of South Africa from April 2013 to May 2014.