

UNU-IAS Seminar

“Energy Supply for South Africa’s Sustainable Development”

Date/time: 31st March 2017 (Friday) 18:00 – 19:30

Venue: UNU Building, Rose Hall 5F

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Program

18:00 *Opening by UNU-IAS*

18:05 *Brief remarks by Chairman of Eskom South Africa, Dr. Ben Ngubane*

18:15 *Lecture by Mr. Thavapragasen Govender (Member, Executive Management Committee, Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd Group)*
Topic: ‘Energy Supply for South Africa’s Sustainable Development’

19:00 *Q & A*

19:30 *Closing by UNU-IAS*

[To be followed by a short coffee/tea reception for individual conversations with the guest lecturer]

-Guest Lecturer’s profile-

Mr. Thavapragasen Govender

Mr. Thava Govender is an accomplished Executive with over 27 year experience in the energy Industry. He is a member of Executive Management Committee (EXCO) of Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd as the Group Executive: Transmission and Risk & Sustainability. He has served and continues to serve on many Boards. He is a Director of the Eskom Enterprises SOC Ltd Group, a member of the Board of the Rotek and Roshcon Group and Chairman of the Council of the Eskom Academy of Learning. He held the position of Governor on the Board of the World Association of Nuclear Operators (WANO) Atlanta Centre. He is a Board member of the USA-based Board of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern African Power Pool (SAPP) and Vice President of the Steering Board of GO15 (a body that comprises of the largest electricity transmission grid operators in the world). Mr. Govender holds a BS (Chemistry and Biochemistry) from The University of Durban-Westville and a BS(Hons) in Energy Studies from the Rand Afrikaans University, and did a Management Development Programme through the University of South Africa, a Nuclear Reactor Technology Programme at MIT and an Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School. He is a member of the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions.

