Curriculum Vitae



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Mr. Elliott is a born Namibian who has more than 28 years experience in various senior capacities in the Public Service of Namibia. He is at present a member of the senior management of the Office of the Prime Minister. In his current position he interacts at high level with incumbent Prime Ministers, Deputy Prime Ministers other members of the Cabinet and the diplomatic community, among others. He has served as project leader/member of various projects, among others, of those administered under the auspices of the World Bank and other donor bilateral collaborations of the Government. His special assignments have already included being coordinator on the development of the e-laws for Namibia. This has led to the adoption of a draft Bill for e-transactions, e-signatures and cybercrime by the Cabinet Committee on Legislation. He served as Task Team member during 2008 which updated the ICT policy for Namibia and its implementation strategy. He remains involved with developments to establish access to information legislation and data protection laws for Namibia. He is lead project member on the erecords & documents management project for the Public Service (he is an authorized E-Office software application engineer of China's national software development company). He has already delivered papers and presentations on electronic development policy issues at conferences in Namibia, the region and in Beijing. He made representations to Parliament in 2009 on Namibia's draft ICT law on behalf of the Namibia Law Society, His publications were in IT for education and on public administration developments in Namibia. Cabinet has nominated him to serve on various statutory and other policy bodies.

He conducted cyberlaw research at the Max Planck Institute of Foreign and Comparative Criminal Law in Freiburg Germany in 2009 with MPI grant support. Based on the research sojourn there he is preparing a forthcoming publication on cyberlaw developments in Namibia. He has attended specialist courses in the information technology field at universities and institutes in China (Nanjing and Beijing), Singapore, Malta & South Africa, and in public finance at Harvard University (IID – Cambridge).

Mr Elliott is member of the Law Society of Namibia and an admitted legal practitioner of the High Court of Namibia. He completed the Namibia Board for Legal Education certificate.

His qualifications are as follows: B.IUR (SA), Public Administration Diploma (PenTechSA). Post-graduate: LL.B (Nam), M.Sc(Econ) (LSE). Certificate in Electronic Law (UCT).

His future research interests lie in cyberlaw and development, cybernetics and the law, & cyber forensics.