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**Gerswynn Mckuur, National Project Manager** - Global Cleantech Innovation Programme for SMEs in South Africa

Gerswynn Mckuur was appointed National Project Manager of the global Cleantech Innovation Programme for SMEs in South Africa (GCIP-SA) since April 2014. The GCIP-SA is a partnership between the Technology Innovation Agency, UNIDO and the GEF. This programme aims to spur on South African innovations in Clean Technology in order to strengthen the Cleantech Innovation ecosystem in South Africa. Through the programme, 78 start-ups and SME's have been supported, with training, mentoring and showcasing opportunities over the past three years.

In the recent past (2010-2014) Mr Mckuur led the Industrial Energy Improvement Project in SA at the National Cleaner Production Centre of SA (NCPC-SA) in partnership with UNIDO, an initiative designed to help transform industry energy usage patterns – helping them adopt a more systematic and holistic approach to energy management through Energy Management Systems (EnMS), Energy Systems Optimisation (ESO) and ISO 50001, within their organisations.

Gerswynn holds a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Cape Town. He has previously served as the Chairman of the Board of the Measurement and Verification Professionals Council of South Africa (MVCSA) and serves on the South African Bureau of Standards Committee on Energy Management (TC242).

