Competency Framework

CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES		
COMPETENCY NAME :	Strategic Direction and Leadership		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Provide and direct a vision for the institution	Provide and direct a vision for the institution, and inspire and deploy others to deliver on the strategic institutional mandate	on the strategic institutional mandate
	ACHIEVEMENT	ENENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Understand Institutional and departmental strategic objectives, but lacks the ability to inspire others to achieve set mandate 	 Give direction to a team in realising the institution's strategic mandate and set objectives 	Evaluate all activities to determine value and alignment to strategic intent	 Structure and position the institution to local government priorities
 Describe how specific tasks link to institutional strategies but has limited influence in directing a strategy 	 Has a positive impact and influence on the morale, engagement and participation of team members 	 Display in-depth knowledge and understanding of strategic planning 	Actively use in-depth knowledge and understanding to develop and implement a comprehensive institutional framework
 Has a basic understanding of institutional performance management, but lacks the ability to integrate systems into a collective whole 	 Develop action plans to execute and guide strategy 	 Align strategy and goals across all functional areas 	Hold self-accountable for strategy execution and results
 Demonstrate basic understanding of key decision makers 	 Assist in defining performance measures to monitor the progress and effectiveness of the institution 	 Actively define performance measures to monitor the progress and effectiveness of the institution 	 Provide impact and influence through building and maintaining strategic relationships
	 Displays an awareness of institutional structures and political factors 	 Consistently challenge strategic plans to ensure relevance 	 Create an environment that facilitates loyalty and innovation. Display a superior level of self-discipline and integrity in actions
	 Effectively communicate barriers to execution to relevant parties 	 Understand institutional structures and political factors, and the consequences of actions 	 Integrate various systems into a collective whole to optimise institutional performance management
	 Provide guidance to all stakeholders in the achievement of the strategic mandate 	 Empower others to follow the strategic direction and deal with complex situations 	 Uses understanding of competing interests to maneuver successfully to a win/win outcome
	 Understand the aim and objectives of the institution and relate it to own work 	 Guide the institution through complex and ambiguous concern 	
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BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
		Use understanding of power relationships and dynamic tensions among key players to frame communications and develop strategies, positions and	

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CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES		
COMPETENCY NAME :	People Management		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Effectively manage, inspire and encourage people, respect relationships in order to achieve institutional objectives	people, respect diversity, optimise talent and build and nurture nal objectives	and build and nurture
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	ENENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Participate in team goalsetting and problem solving 	 Seek opportunities to increase team contribution and responsibility 	 Identify ineffective team and work processes and recommend remedial interventions 	Develop and incorporate best practice people management processes, approaches and tools across the institution
 Interact and collaborate with people of diverse backgrounds 	Respect and support the diverse nature of others and be aware of the benefits of a diverse approach	 Recognise and reward effective and desired behavior 	Foster a culture of discipline, responsibility and accountability
 Aware of guidelines for employee development, but requires support in implementing development initiatives 	 Effectively delegate tasks and empower others to increase contribution and execute functions optimally 	 Provide mentoring and guidance to others in order to increase personal effectiveness 	Understand the impact of diversity in performance and actively incorporate a diversity strategy in the institution
	Apply relevant employee legislation fairly and consistently	 Identify development and learning needs within the team 	Develop comprehensive integrated strategies and approaches to human capital development and management
	 Effectively identify capacity requirements to fulfill the strategic mandate 	 Inspire a culture of performance excellence by giving positive and constructive feedback to the team 	Actively identify trends and predict capacity requirements to facilitate unified transition and performance management
		 Achieve agreement or consensus in adversarial environments 	
		 Lead and unite diverse teams across divisions to achieve institutional objectives 	



CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES		
COMPETENCY NAME:	Program and Project Management		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to understand program and project min order to deliver on set objectives	Able to understand program and project management methodology; plan, manage, monitor and evaluate specific activities in order to deliver on set objectives	onitor and evaluate specific activities
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	ELS /EMENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Initiate projects after approval from higher authorities 	 Establish broad stakeholder involvement and communicate the project status and key milestones 	 Manage multiple programs and balance priorities and conflicts according to institutional goals 	 Understand and conceptualise the long- term implications of desired project outcomes
 Understand procedures of program and project management methodology implications and stakeholder involvement 	Define the roles and responsibilities of the project team and create clarity around expectations	Apply effective risk management strategies through impact assessment and resource requirements	Direct a comprehensive strategic macro and micro analysis and scope projects accordingly to realise institutional objectives
 Understand the rational of projects in relation to the institution's strategic objectives 	 Find a balance between project deadline and the quality of deliverables 	 Modify project scope and budget when required without compromising the quality and objectives of the project 	 Influence people in positions of authority to implement outcomes of projects
 Document and communicate factors and risk associated with own work 	 Identify appropriate project resources to facilitate the effective completion of the deliverables 	 Involve top-level authorities and relevant stakeholders in seeking project buy-in 	 Lead and direct translation of policy into workable action plans
 Use results and approaches of successful project implementation as guide 	 Comply with statutory requirements and apply policies in a consistent manner 	Identify and apply contemporary project management methodology	 Ensures that programs are monitored to track progress and optimal resource utilisation, and that adjustments are made as
	 Monitor progress and use of resources and make needed adjustments to timelines, steps 	Influence and motivate project team to deliver exceptional results	needed
	and resource allocation	 Monitor policy implementation and apply procedures to manage risks 	



CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES		
COMPETENCY NAME :	Financial Management		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to compile, plan and manage budgets, control cash flow, institute financial risk management and administer procurement processes in accordance with recognised financial practices. Further to ensure that all financial transactions are managed in an ethical manner	, control cash flow, institute financial risk m recognised financial practices. Further to e mer	nanagement and administer ensure that all financial
	ACHIEVEMENT	MENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
Understand basic financial concepts and methods as they relate to institutional processes and activities	 Exhibit knowledge of general financial concepts, planning, budgeting and forecasting and how they interrelate 	Take active ownership of planning, budgeting and forecasting processes and provides credible answers to queries within own responsibility	 Develop planning tools to assist in evaluating and monitoring future expenditure trends
 Display awareness into the various sources of financial data, reporting mechanisms, financial governance, processes and systems 	 Assess, identify and manage financial risks 	Prepare budgets that are aligned to the strategic objectives of the institution	 Set budget frameworks for the institution
 Understand the importance of financial accountability 	 Assume a cost-saving approach to financial management 	Address complex budgeting and financial management concerns	 Set strategic direction for the institution on expenditure and other financial processes
 Understand the importance of asset control 	 Prepare financial reports based on specified formats 	 Put systems and processes in place to enhance the quality and integrity of financial management practices 	 Build and nurture partnerships to improve financial management and achieve financial savings
	 Consider and understand the financial implications of decisions and suggestions 	 Advise on policies and procedures regarding asset control 	 Actively identify and implement new methods to improve asset control
	 Ensure that delegation and instructions as required by National Treasury guidelines are reviewed and updated 	 Promote National Treasury's regulatory framework for Financial Management 	 Display professionalism in dealing with financial data and processes
	 Identify and implement proper monitoring and evaluation practices to ensure appropriate 		
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CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES	HES	
COMPETENCY NAME:	Change Leadership		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to direct and initiative implement new initiative	Able to direct and initiate institutional transformation on all levels in order to successfully drive and implement new initiatives and deliver professional and quality services to the community	n order to successfully drive and ices to the community
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	EMENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Display an awareness of change interventions and the benefits of 	 Perform an analysis of the change impact on the social, political and economic 	 Actively monitor change impact and results and convey progress to relevant stakeholders 	 Sponsor change agents and create a network of change leaders who support the
transformation initiatives	environment		interventions
 Able to identify basic needs for change 	 Maintain calm and focus during change 	 Secure buy-in and sponsorship for change initiatives 	 Actively adapt current structures and processes to incorporate the change interventions
 Identify gaps between the current and desired state 	 Able to assist team members during change and keep them focused on the deliverables 	 Continuously evaluate change strategy and design and introduce new approaches to enhance the institution's effectiveness 	Mentor and guide team members on the effects of change, resistance factors and how to integrate change
 Identify potential risk and challenges to transformation, including resistance to change factors 	 Volunteer to lead change efforts outside of own work team 	 Build and nurture relationships with various stakeholders to establish strategic alliance in facilitating change 	 Motivate and inspire others around change initiatives
 Participate in change programs and piloting change interventions 	 Able to gain buy-in and approval for change from relevant stakeholders 	 Take the lead in impactful change programs 	
 Understand the impact of change interventions on the institution within the broader scope of local government 	 Identify change readiness levels and assist in resolving resistance to change factors 	 Benchmark change interventions against best change practices 	
	 Design change interventions that are aligned with the institution's strategic objectives and goals 	 Understand the impact and psychology of change and put remedial interventions in place to facilitate effective transformation 	
		 Take calculated risk and seek new ideas from best practice scenarios and identify the potential for implementation 	Q N

CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES		
COMPETENCY NAME:	Governance Leadership		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to promote, direct and apply professionalism in managing risk and compliance requirements and apply a thorough understanding of governance practices and obligations. Further, able to direct the conceptualisation of relevant policies and enhance cooperative governance relationships	in managing risk and compliance requions. Further, able to direct the conc	uirements and apply a thorough septualisation of relevant policies and
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS		
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Display a basic awareness of risk, compliance and governance factors but require guidance and development in implementing such requirements 	Display a thorough understanding of governance and risk and compliance factors and implement plans to address these	Able to link risk initiatives into key institutional objectives and drivers	Demonstrate a high level of commitment in complying with governance requirements
Understand the structure of cooperative government but requires guidance on fostering workable relationships between stakeholders	Demonstrate understanding of the techniques and processes for optimising risk taking decisions within the institution	Identify, analyse and measure risk, create valid risk forecasts and map risk profiles	 Implement governance and compliance strategy to ensure achievement of institutional objectives within the legislative framework
 Provide input into policy formulation 	 Actively drive policy formulation within the institution to ensure the achievement of objectives 	Apply risk control methodology and approaches to prevent and reduce risk that impede on the achievement of institutional objectives	Able to advise local government on risk management, best practice interventions and compliance management
		Demonstrate a thorough understanding of risk retention plans	 Able to forge positive relationships on cooperative governance level to enhance the effectiveness of local government
		Identify and implement comprehensive risk management systems and processes	 Able to shape, direct and drive the formulation of policies on a macro level
		Implement and monitor the formulation of policies, identify and analyse constraints and challenges with implementation and provide recommendations for improvement	

COMPETENCY NAME:			
	Moral Competence		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to identify moral triggers, apply reasoning that promotes honesty and integrity and consistently display behavior that reflects moral competence	ning that promotes honesty and integrity ar	nd consistently display behavior that
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	LS IMENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Realise the impact of acting with integrity, but requires guidance and development in implementing principles 	 Conduct self in alignment with the values of local government and the institution 	 Identify, develop and apply measures of self-correction 	Create an environment conducive of moral practices
 Follow basic rules and regulations of the institution 	 Able to openly admit own mistakes and weaknesses and seek assistance from others when unable to deliver 	 Able to gain trust and respect through aligning actions with commitments 	 Actively develop and implement measures to combat fraud and corruption
 Able to identify basic moral situations, but requires guidance and development in understanding and reasoning with 	 Actively report fraudulent activity and corruption with local government 	 Make proposals and recommendations that are transparent and gain the approval of relevant stakeholders 	 Set integrity standards and shared accountability measures across the institution to support the objectives of local government
	 Understand and honor the confidential nature of matters without seeking personal gain 	 Present values, beliefs and ideas that are congruent with the institution's rules and regulations 	 Take responsibility for own actions and decisions, even if the consequences are unfavorable
	 Able to deal with situations of conflict of interest promptly and in the best interest of local 	Takes an active stance against corruption and dishonesty when noted	
	government	 Actively promote the value of the institution to internal and external stakeholders 	
		 Able to work in unity with a team and not seek personal gain 	
		 Apply universal moral principles consistently to achieve moral decisions 	

CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES		
COMPETENCY NAME:	Planning and Organising		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to plan, prioritise and organise information build efficient contingency plans to manage risk	Able to plan, prioritise and organise information and resources effectively to ensure the quality of service delivery and build efficient contingency plans to manage risk	he quality of service delivery and
	ACHIEVEMENT	EMENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Able to follow basic plans and organise tasks around set objectives 	 Actively and appropriately organise information and resources required for a task 	Able to define institutional objectives, develop comprehensive plans, integrate and coordinate activities and assign appropriate resources for successful implementation	Focus on broad strategies and initiatives when developing plans and actions
 Understand the process of planning and organising but requires guidance and development in providing detailed and comprehensive plans 	 Recognise the urgency and importance of tasks 	Identify in advance required stages and actions to complete tasks	 Able to protect and forecast short, medium and long term requirements of the institution and local government
 Able to follow existing plans and ensure that objectives are met 	 Balance short and long-term plans and goals and incorporate into the team's performance objectives 	 Schedule realistic timelines, objectives and milestones for tasks and projects 	 Translate policy into relevant projects to facilitate the achievement of institutional objectives
 Focus on short-term objectives in developing plans and actions 	Schedule tasks to ensure they are performed within budget and with efficient use of time and resources	Produce clear, detailed and comprehensive plans to achieve institutional objectives	
 Arrange information and resources required for a task, but require further structure and organisation 	 Measures progress and monitor performance results 	ldentify possible risk factors and design and implement appropriate contingency plans	
		 Adapt plans in light of changing circumstances 	
		Prioritise tasks and projects according to their relevant urgency and importance	



CLUSTER: COMPETENCY NAME:	CORE COMPETENCIES Analysis and Innovation		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to critically analyse information, challenges and trends are innovative to improve institutional processes in order to	llenges and trends to establish and implement fact-based solutions that cesses in order to achieve key strategic objectives	nt fact-based solut ectives
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	HEVENENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Understand the basic operation of analysis, but lack detail and 	 Demonstrate logical problem solving techniques and approaches and provide rationale 	 Coaches team members on analytical and innovative approaches and techniques 	Demonstrate complex analytical and problem solving approaches an
lack detail and thoroughness	approaches and provide rationale for recommendations	approaches and techniques	solving approaches and techniques
 Able to balance independent analysis with requesting assistance from others 	 Demonstrate objectivity, insight and thoroughness when analysing problems 	 Engage with appropriate individuals in analysing and resolving complex 	Create an environment conducive to analytical and fact-based problem solving
 Recommend new ways to perform tasks within own function 	 Able to break down complex problems into manageable parts and identify solutions 	 Identify solutions on various areas in the institution 	 Analyse, recommend solutions and monitor trends in key challenges to prevent and manage occurrence
 Propose simple remedial interventions that marginally challenges the status quo 	 Consult internal and external stakeholders on opportunities to improve processes and service delivery 	 Formulate and implement new ideas throughout the institution 	 Create an environment that fosters innovative thinking and follows a learning organisation approach
 Listen to the ideas and perspectives of others and 	 Clearly communicate the benefits of new 	 Able to gain approval and buy-in for 	 Be a thought leader on innovative customer service
perspectives or others and explore opportunities to enhance such innovative thinking	opportunities and innovative solutions and stakeholders	proposed interventions from relevant stakeholders	delivery and process optimisation
	 Continuously identify opportunities to enhance internal processes 	Identify trends and best practices in process and service delivery and propose institutional application	Play an active role in sharing best practice solutions and engage in national and international local government seminars and conferences
	 Identify and analyse opportunities conducive to innovative approaches and propose remedial intervention 	 Continuously engage in research to identify client needs 	

CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES	<i>n</i>	
COMPETENCY NAME:	Knowledge and Information Managemen	ation Management	
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to promote the ge and media, in order to	Able to promote the generation and sharing of knowledge and information through various processes and media, in order to enhance the collective knowledge base of local government	ormation through various processes
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	ENENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Collect, categorise and track relevant information required for specific tasks and projects 	Use appropriate information systems and technology to manage institutional knowledge and information sharing	 Effectively predict future information and knowledge management requirements and systems 	Create and support a vision and culture where team members are empowered to seek, gain and share knowledge and information
 Analyse and interpret information to draw conclusions 	 Evaluate data from various sources and use information effectively to influence decisions and provide solutions 	 Develop standards and processes to meet future knowledge management needs 	 Establish partnerships across local government to facilitate knowledge management
 Seek new sources of information to increase the knowledge base 	 Actively create mechanisms and structures for sharing information 	 Share and promote best-practice knowledge management across various institutions 	 Demonstrate a mature approach
 Regularly share information and knowledge with internal stakeholders and team members 	 Use external and internal resources to research and provide relevant and cutting-edge knowledge to enhance institutional effectiveness and efficiency 	 Establish accurate measures and monitoring systems for knowledge and information management 	 Recognise and exploit knowledge points in interactions with internal and external stakeholders
		 Create a culture conducive of learning and knowledge sharing Hold regular knowledge and information sharing sessions to elicit new ideas and share best practice approaches 	

COMPETENCY NAME:	CORE COMPETENCIES Communication Able to share information, knowledge and ideas in a clear, focused and concise manner appropriate for the audience in	ideas in a clear, focused and concise mann	ner appropriate fo
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to share information, knowledge and ideas in a clear, focused and concise manner appropriorder to effectively convey, persuade and influence stakeholders to achieve the desired outcome	ideas in a clear, focused and concise mann influence stakeholders to achieve the desire	ner appropriate for ed outcome
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	EKS	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Demonstrate an understanding for communication levers and tools appropriate for the audience, but requires guidance in utilising such tools 	 Express ideas to individuals and groups in formal and informal settings in a manner that is interesting and motivating 	 Effectively communicate high- risk and sensitive matters to relevant stakeholders 	Regarded as a specialist in negotiations and representing the institution
 Express ideas in a clear and focused manner, but does not always take the audience into consideration 	 Able to understand, tolerate and appreciate diverse perspectives, attitudes and beliefs 	 Develop a well-defined communication strategy 	Able to inspire and motivate others through positive communication that is impactful and relevant
 Disseminate and convey information and knowledge adequately 	 Adapt communication content and style to suit the audience and facilitate optimal information transfer 	 Balance political perspectives with institutional needs when communicating viewpoints on complex issues 	 Creates an environment conducive to transparent and productive communication and critical appreciate conversations
	 Deliver content in a manner that gains support, commitment and agreement from relevant stakeholders 	 Able to effectively direct negotiations around complex 	 Able to coordinate negotiations at different levels within local government and externally
	 Compile clear, focused, concise and well-structured written documents 	 Market and promote the institution to external stakeholders and seek to enhance a positive image of the institution 	
		Able to communicate with the media with high levels of moral competence and discipline	



CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES		
COMPETENCY NAME:	Results and Quality Focus		
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to maintain high quality standards, focus on achieving results and objectives while consistently striving to exceed expectations and encourage others to meet quality standards. Further, to actively monitor and measure results and quality against identified objectives	cus on achieving results and objectives whit quality standards. Further, to actively mon	results and objectives while consistently striving to exceed is. Further, to actively monitor and measure results and quality
	ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS	WENT	
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
 Understand quality of work but requires guidance in attending to important matters 	 Focus on high-priority actions and does not become distracted by lower-priority activities 	 Consistently verify own standards and outcomes to ensure quality output 	 Coach and guide others to exceed quality standards and results
 Show a basic commitment to achieving the correct results 	 Display firm commitment and pride in achieving the correct results 	 Focus on the end result and avoids being distracted 	 Develop challenging, client- focused goals and sets high standards for personal performance
 Produce the minimum level of results required in the role 	 Set quality standards and design processes and tasks around achieving set standards 	 Demonstrate a determined and committed approach to achieving results and quality standards 	 Commit to exceed the results and quality standards, monitor own performance and implement remedial interventions when required
 Produce outcomes that is of a good standard 	 Produce output of high quality 	 Follow task and projects through to completion 	 Work with team to set ambitious and challenging team goals, communicating long- and short term expectations
 Focus on the quantity of output but requires development in incorporating the quality of work 	 Able to balance the quantity and quality and quality of results in order to achieve objectives 	Set challenging goals and objectives to self and team and display commitment to achieving expectations	 Take appropriate risks to accomplish goals
 Produce quality work in general circumstances, but fails to meet expectation 	 Monitors progress, quality of work and use of resources; provide status updates and make 	 Maintain a focus on quality outputs when placed under pressure 	 Overcome setbacks and adjust action plans to realise goals
wnen under pressure		 Establishing institutional systems for managing and assigning work, defining responsibilities, tracking, monitoring and measuring success, evaluating and 	 Focus people on critical activities that yield a high impact

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Skills Performance Gap	Outcomes Expected	Suggested training and /or development sectivity	Suggested mode of delivery	Suggested Time Frames	Work opportunity created to practice skill/development area	Support Perso
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