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## **CURRENT DESIGNATIONS:**

- 2020- Senior Lecturer, School of Economics, University of Johannesburg
- 2019- Director, Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development, University of Johannesburg
- 2019- Part-time Member, Competition Tribunal of South Africa

## **PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

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