

Christo van der Rheede

Christo van der Rheede is a former teacher and served previously as a school principal and CEO of various Non-Profit Companies in South Africa. He has vast experience in the following spheres of training and policy development: Basic Education, Small Business Development and Agricultural Development.

He holds a Higher Diploma in Education, BA Degree (UWC), Senior Management Development Programme (USB), BA Hons in Public and Development Management (US) and a Master of Public Administration (US). He was appointed as Deputy Executive Director of Agri SA in 2015 and was responsible for Agri SA's agricultural transformation programme, national drought relief programme, Agri-Phakisa programme, Agri-BEE programme, and other agri-development programmes. He was intimately involved in the compilation of the Agricultural Agro-processing Master Plan, specifically serving on the human capital task team.

In October 2020 he was appointed as Executive Director of Agri SA. He currently serves on the Board of the AgriSETA and Human Resources Development Council and interact regularly with Parliament, the Presidency, Cabinet Ministers, Government Departments, State-owned Enterprises, Corporate Sector and various agricultural stakeholders on a range of legislative, policy and development matters aimed at ensuring food security for all our citizens.