## Umeesha Naidoo's Bio

Umeesha Naidoo is currently responsible for industry planning and development in the Mining, Metals & related sectors at the IDC. The role entails leading the development and implementation of industry development plans aligned to industrial policy.

Prior to that she was Director at the dtic involved in policy and strategy development for the primary minerals processing sector, including steel.

From 2008-2012, Dr Naidoo worked at the Department of Science and Technology managing mining and metallurgy technology development projects. From 2002-2008, she was employed in the SA platinum mining industry in a technical role involved in R&D and strategic process development projects.

Umeesha Naidoo obtained a PhD from the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in 2002 – the research focussed on the separation of platinum group metals for industrial application in the SA mining industry.