

NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT ELECT OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The South African Institute of Environmental Health hereby submit Selva Mudaly their nomination for President-elect of the International Federation of Environmental Health for 2012.

Selva Mudaly has been a servant of Environmental Health throughout his life, i.e. 37 years. He has served the S.A.I.E.H for the last 27 years and as its Deputy President for the last 20 years. He has been the SAIETH's representative on the IFEH for the last 20 years. He has served the African group of the IFEH for the last 20 years.

He was the Chairperson of the Organising and Spring Committee for the IFEH's 8th World Congress in Environmental Health held in Durban. As pronounced by the current President of the IFEH, this was the best Congress our Environmental Health ever held so far in the World.

Selva Mudaly qualified as an EHP in 1972. He then obtained the National Diploma in Health Education in 1974 and went on to obtain the National Diploma in Tropical Hygiene in 1976. He studied through the Technikon RSA in 1977 to 1979 and obtained the Certificates in Air Pollution and Water Pollution. In 1984 he obtained the National Higher Diploma in Public Health. Then in 1995 he was awarded the B.Tech Degree in Environmental Health. Through Michigan University he obtained the Certificate in Risk Management. In 2005 he completed the Post Graduate Diploma in Health Care Management with the Luton University in the U.K.

He worked as an EHP from 1974 to 1985. At the end of 1985 he was appointed as Senior Environmental Health Practitioner where he served for a further 4 years. In 1994 he was appointed Head of Health Services for the next 6 years. In 1999 he was appointed to the position of Director of Community Services where he served for 6 years. In 2005 he was appointed Deputy Head for Health Services in the Durban Metropolitan Council. He is currently serving as a Project Executive in the Water and Sanitation Unit of this Municipality.

He participated in many Organizations and bodies, we will mention a few. He served as Deputy Chairperson of the KZN Provincial Local Government Training Board for 12 years. He was appointed by the National Minister of Constitutional Affairs and Planning to serve on the National Local Government Training Board for 5 years.

Currently he is the Deputy Chairperson of the Environmental Health Board of the Health Professions Council of South Africa. He serves as Deputy President of the SAIETH. He served on the National main Industrial Council for Local Government Undertaking.

He was the first black EHP in South Africa to obtain the National Higher Diploma in Public Health. He was the first student in KZN to obtain the B.Tech Degree in Environmental Health.

He won the award for the National Jaycees Achiever Award from Jaycees South Africa for recognition of outstanding achievement in furthering the ideals of Jaycees South Africa.

In 1982 he was declared the most outstanding Jaycee of the year – Verulam chapter for Community Projects and Services.

In 2002 he was awarded by the National Minister of Health the Alfred Nzo Award for outstanding contribution in the field of Environmental Health – he was the first recipient. In 2004 he was awarded the Presidential Prestigious Award for contribution, personal, scientific and labour for the upliftment of Environmental Health. This was awarded by the then President of the IFEH.

The SAIEH fully endorses his nomination for President-elect for the IFEH in 2012.