

Durban professor appointed Honorary Consul General Seychelles

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Professor Emeritus Mohseen Ebrahim of the School of Religion, Philosophy and Classics and Senior Professor at Regent Business School, Durban, has recently been appointed Honorary Consul of Seychelles by the Seychelles President, Danny Faure.



Professor Emeritus Mohseen Ebrahim

South African President Cyril Ramaphosa, has officially endorsed this appointment of Prof Ebrahim. The Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation has issued him with an identity card which accords him with diplomatic immunity and other privileges.

An ecstatic Prof Ebrahim commented, "I consider it a great honour to serve the country of my birth. It's a great opportunity to be promoting tourism, trade and education between Seychelles and South Africa."

Ebrahim was born in Seychelles and in 1970, upon completing his 'O level' studies, he proceeded to Karachi, Pakistan, where he enrolled at the Aleemiyah Institute of Islamic Studies and was awarded the Bachelor's degree (B.A.) in Islamic Studies (1975) and then proceeded to Cairo, Egypt where he received his Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.) degree from Al-Azhar University (1977). He then obtained M.A. (1983) and Ph.D. (1986) degrees in Religion and Islamic Studies respectively from Temple University, Philadelphia, USA.

He continues to supervise Honours, Masters and Doctoral students at the University of KwaZulu-Natal and lectures at Regent Business School to students who enrol for the Higher Certificate (NQF level 5) and the Post Graduate Diploma (PG-Dip) in Islamic Finance and Banking.

He has published widely in the field of Islam and Bioethics and delivered papers at Bioethics Conferences in several countries. In 2016, he published *Muslims in Seychelles: A Historical Appraisal of Their Legacy*, which was highly publicised in Seychelles.

The Consulate of the Republic of Seychelles in Durban is located at 35 Samora Machel Street. Landline: 031 826 7353 and Cell: 079 7513 718.

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