

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE



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2019 WOMEN LEADERS OF THE WORLD

Dr. Puleng has a passion for creativity, design thinking and innovation. She has twenty years of experience working in the private sector, government and in higher educational institutions. Her academic background entails a BSc in Computer Science and Statistics, an MBA and a PhD in Business Management from the University of Cape Town.

Her international peers have recognised Makhoalibe as a global leader in creativity and innovation. In 2013, she received an award recognising her contribution to the international community of innovators and creatives. In 2016, she received an Africa Social Innovation Leadership Award. In 2019 she received an award to be part of the women leaders of the world and became a lead for the cohort. She had now joined the women leaders of the world council. She headed up the center of Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship (ICE) at Henley Business School from 2015 to 2020. She co-founded two startups: the Alchemy Inspiration and Upside Global and works with global organisations that accelerate innovation in various fields.

Beyond covid 19, Puleng has transitioned into virtual facilitation and has served multiple industries and organisations designing, delivering and developing programmes in virtual learning platforms and adopted design thinking, innovation and other learning materials into online learning systems that cater for both synchronous and asynchronous learning. She has conceived the #reframecovid19 hashtag where she reframes covid as an acronym that means, Creativity. Opportunities. Vision. IKIGAI. Diversity. She launched the first virtual creativity conference on the World Creativity and Innovation Day, 21 April 2020, which attracted participation from 41 countries and has since worked on several virtual conferences. Puleng is a passionate speaker, panelist, author, facilitator, and an innovation and design thinking consultant.