



CALC General Meeting, 16 July 2026 Nomination for CALC Council Election

Position for which candidate nominated: Africa region representative

Candidate's full name and other details:

Heinrich Sebastian Muller (Full member of CALC)

Deputy-Director: Law Reform (Cape Town)

National Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

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Statement that candidate accepts nomination: I, Heinrich Muller, accept this nomination for the position of African Region Representative of CALC. Date of acceptance: 13 May 2026

Nominator's full name and other details: Advocate A Meyer SC, Chief Law Adviser to Parliament (retired), South Africa, antonmeyer1@gmail.com, (full member of CALC), Date of nomination: 13 May 2026

Seconded's full name and other details: Professor R Malherbe, Professor of Constitutional Law, University of Johannesburg (retired), r.malherbe@gmail.com, (full member of CALC), Date of seconding of nomination: 13 May 2026

Candidate's statement relevant to the nomination

Heinrich is the Deputy-Director: Law Reform (Cape Town) at South Africa's Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment. Previously, he practised as a Specialist Environmental Law Attorney. In his current role, his primary duties are the drafting of legislation (bills, delegated legislation and other instruments) and legal advisory work. His formal education is an LLB, LLM (Environmental Law) and a Certificate in Legislative Drafting (*with distinction*).

Heinrich has co-drafted and led the drafting of several Bills and key delegated legislative instruments including the Dumping at Sea Regulations (2017), the Reclamation of Land from Coastal Waters Regulations (2018) and the Coastal Waters Discharge Permit Regulations (2018) as well as the country's first General (Coastal) Discharge Authorisation (2022) (a self-regulatory system that assists small businesses with regulatory reform).

He also assisted the drafting of South Africa's historic declaration of twenty 'Phakisa' Marine Protected Areas, recently completed the redrafting of the National Appeal Regulations under South Africa's framework National Environmental Management Act to govern all internal appeals for environmental decisions and assisted to draft the recently promulgated Ship-to-ship Transfer (Bunkering) Regulations.

After obtaining the highest distinction in the history of the Post-Graduate Certificate in Legislative Drafting from the University of Johannesburg, Heinrich was invited to join the course as a co-

lecturer. He has, since 2019, co-lectured “Introduction to Legislative Drafting” and “Advanced Legislative Drafting” at the University of Cape Town.

In 2024, Heinrich co-authored a textbook on legislative drafting peculiar to drafting practices and rules in South Africa, titled “Introduction to Legislative Drafting”.

Heinrich is passionate about legislative drafting and enjoys teaching and promoting the subject-matter. He is involved in various ongoing training initiatives and has recently, under the Chandler Institute of Justice, provided legislative drafting training to MPs of the Eastern Cape Provincial Legislature, as well as senior drafters and policy leaders of the Gauteng Provincial Government. Heinrich believes that training those involved in the development of legislation will yield higher quality legislation which in turn will positively contribute towards societal growth.

Heinrich is currently one of Africa’s representatives at CALC and if re-elected, he intends to continue the work of CALC by further promoting the importance of legislative drafting as a key skill and will support legislative drafting training initiatives within the Commonwealth to those involved in policy and legislative development. Heinrich intends to strengthen the collaboration of drafters from across the Commonwealth in this endeavour as the Africa region’s representative.