

The newly appointed *Vice-Rector: Academic Affairs & Research*, **Professor Farhad Aghdasi**, joined the Polytechnic of Namibia on 30 September 2009.

Professor Aghdasi was Professor and Director of the School of Electrical and Computer Systems Engineering at the Central University of Technology, Free State, South Africa, since 2004, where he was actively involved in the transformation of the Technikon into a University of Technology.

Professor Aghdasi holds the following qualifications: B.Sc. Hons. (Engineering), M.Sc. (Electronic and Computer Engineering), MBA and Ph.D. (Electrical Engineering).

Professor Aghdasi has taught at twelve universities in Southern Africa, UK, USA and Canada over a period of 30 years, of which 16 years were at academic managerial level, and is a seasoned researcher.

We are confident that his professional experience and proven abilities will add great value to the Polytechnic.

We trust you will give Professor Aghdasi your professional cooperation and support.

Dr. Tjama Tjivikua

Rector

