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# Key metrics

## Financial performance from continuing operations

Group revenue



**R14.0 billion**

(2024: R13.3 billion)

Underlying EBIT



**R914 million**

(2024: R923 million)

HEPS



**307 cents**

(2024: 324 cents)

Total dividend per share



**60 cents**

(2024: 105 cents)

Net debt



**R2.5 billion**

(2024: R2.4 billion)

ROCE



**10.9%**

(2024: 11.7%)

## Non-financial performance



**63** full university bursaries awarded through the Mpact Foundation Trust since inception in 2016



Recovered recyclables (paper, glass, beverage cans, plastic, and liquid board packaging)

**639 million kilograms**

(2024: 588 million kilograms)



CSI spend

**R12.6 million**

(2024: R10.8 million)



Energy consumption for manufacturing operations

**5.90GJ/t**

(2024: 6.05GJ/t)



Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions for manufacturing operations

**0.812tCO<sub>2</sub>e/t**

(2024: 0.838tCO<sub>2</sub>e/t)



Solar PV installed to date

**17.7MWp**

(2024: 16.0MWp)



Mpact Operations retained its

**Level 1 B-BBEE** rating



Training and skills development

**76,159** man-hours

(2024: 56,115 man-hours)



Serious Injury Frequency Rate (SIFR)

**0.38** per 200,000 man-hours worked

(2024: 0.50 per 200,000 man-hours worked)



Water consumption for manufacturing operations

**5.32kℓ/t**

(2024: 5.49kℓ/t)

## Corporate profile

**Mpact is the largest paper and plastics packaging and recycling business in southern Africa, employing 4,856 people (2024: 4,557), and generating revenue of R14.0 billion in the 2025 financial year.**

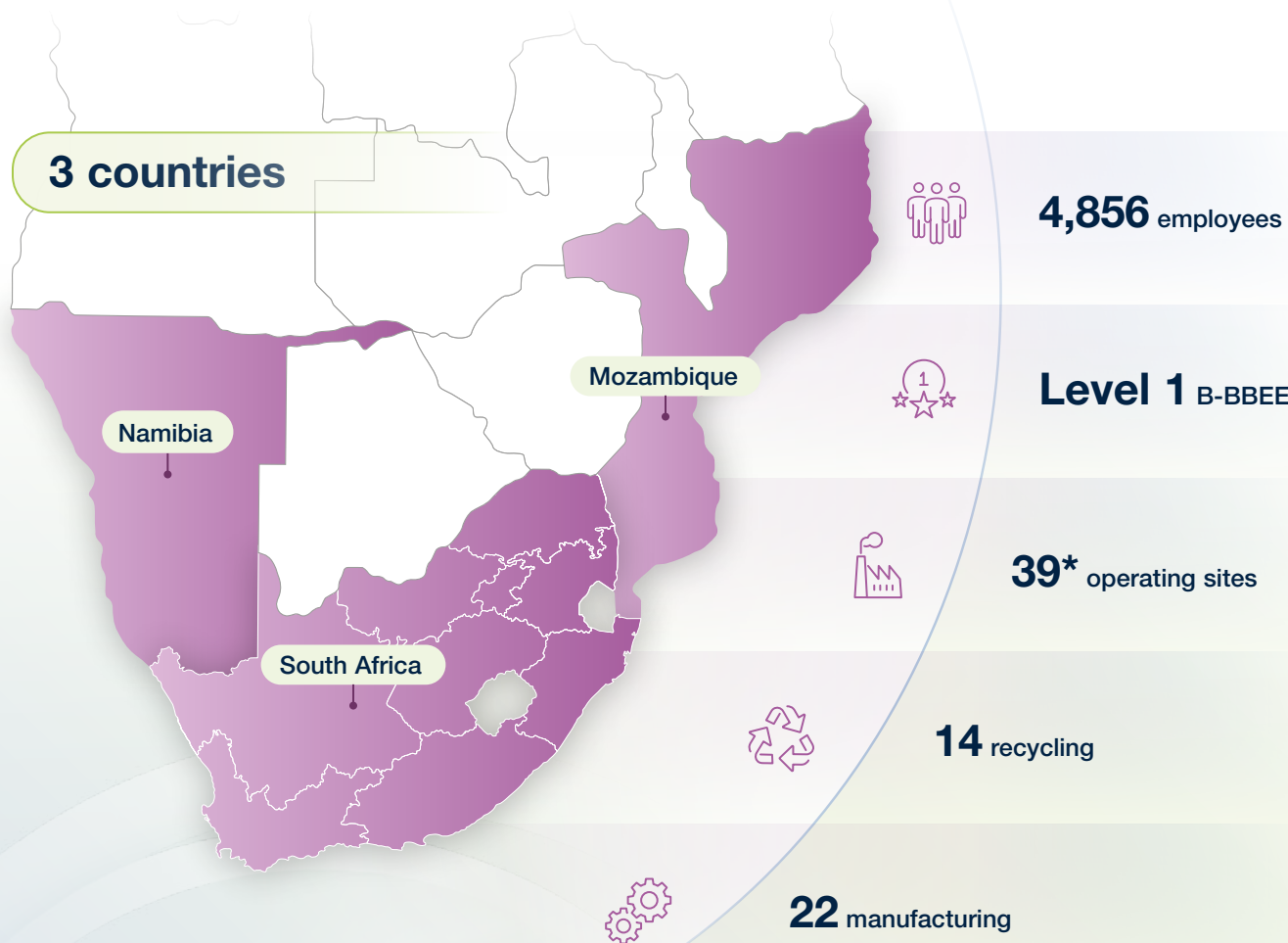
**Our integrated business model is intentionally designed to close the loop in paper and plastic packaging, promoting circularity through recycling and the beneficiation of recovered materials.**

Our extensive industry expertise, strong customer relationships, and focus on innovation empower us to deliver sustainable, fit-for-purpose packaging solutions alongside value-added services that anticipate and meet evolving customer needs.

Mpact is South Africa's largest collector of recyclable packaging, recovering 639 million kilograms of material, including paper, glass, beverage cans, plastics, and liquid board packaging, from both pre- and post-consumer streams this year. By closing the loop on paper and plastic, we not only divert significant volumes from landfill but also drive local beneficiation of raw materials and foster the growth of SMMEs.

### Our footprint

We operate across 39\* strategically located sites, including 22 manufacturing facilities and 14 recycling operations. Our proximity to customers enables faster response times, optimises transport efficiency, and unlocks economies of scale. This strengthens our ability to deliver high-quality, sustainable packaging solutions with agility and cost-effectiveness.



\* Includes three sites which are not manufacturing sites.

# Our vision and values



## VISION

Our vision is to be a leading packaging business with the highest ethical standards, delivering exceptional value for customers, employees, communities and shareholders.

### We are committed to:

- Acting as a responsible employer and corporate citizen and managing natural resources with care, sensitivity and expertise.
- Meeting and exceeding customers' requirements for product and service quality, innovation as well as cost competitiveness.
- Providing a safe and secure working environment in which employees can fulfil their ambitions and aspire to continually improve their circumstances.
- Achieving sustainable, profitable growth through a focus on business excellence and strategic expansion in chosen markets.



## VALUES

### Resolute

- Setting and achieving challenging targets
- Continuously identifying innovative ways to do things
- Accountable especially in the face of adversity

### Trustworthy

- Ethical
- Transparent
- Honouring commitments

### Responsible

- Each employee taking care of their safety, health and personal development as well as that of their colleagues
- Striving to meet or exceed our customers' requirements (internal and external) for product quality, excellent service and cost competitiveness
- Treating our natural resources with care and sensitivity
- Doing what it takes to ethically deliver good sustainable returns to our shareholders

### Driven by our purpose of:

- Providing our customers with innovative sustainable packaging
- Giving effect to the circular economy through our integrated business model
- Making a difference in the communities where we operate

# Our operating and business model

Our integrated operating and business model is uniquely focused on closing the loop in plastic and paper packaging through recycling and the beneficiation of recyclables.

## Inputs

### Financial capital

Funds available to the business, including in the form of retained earnings, debt, and cash generated from operations.

### Manufactured capital

Manufacturing facilities, offices, machinery, and equipment at 39 operating sites across South Africa, Mozambique, and Namibia.

### Human capital

- 4,856 employees.
- 76,159 man-hours invested in training.
- 210 learners and apprentices – of which 85% are PDIs and 32% are Black females (African, Coloured and Indian females).

### Intellectual capital

The experience and in-depth understanding of the packaging industry built up in our management team and employees. Our research and development centre and creative assets create innovative customer-focused product offerings.

### Social and relationship capital

Our strong relationships with our customers and other primary stakeholders, and commitment to community development.

### Natural capital

- Pulp, eucalyptus logs, pine chips.
- 5.90GJ/t of energy and 5.32kl/t of water consumed for manufacturing operations.

## Capital trade-offs during 2025

Mpact continues to invest financial capital to meet customers' requirements and extend innovative product offerings. These include capital investment projects to take advantage of the growth in packaging for fruit exports, the increase in convenience shopping and e-commerce, and the move towards more sustainable packaging. These projects include new facilities, new technology, plant, and equipment.

Service delivery interruptions, such as the unreliable supply and higher cost of electricity and water, requires Mpact to invest in infrastructure at its operations to mitigate these risks.

We continue to invest financial capital in safety culture interventions to improve safety performance and safeguard our human capital, alongside ongoing investment in training and development programmes. These initiatives include the Mpact Academy and our bespoke e-Learning platform, with additional courses introduced during the year and enhanced accessibility through a mobile app and onsite classrooms.

## Activities



### Paper business



### Recycling

See @ page 34 for more information on our Paper business.

Recovered paper

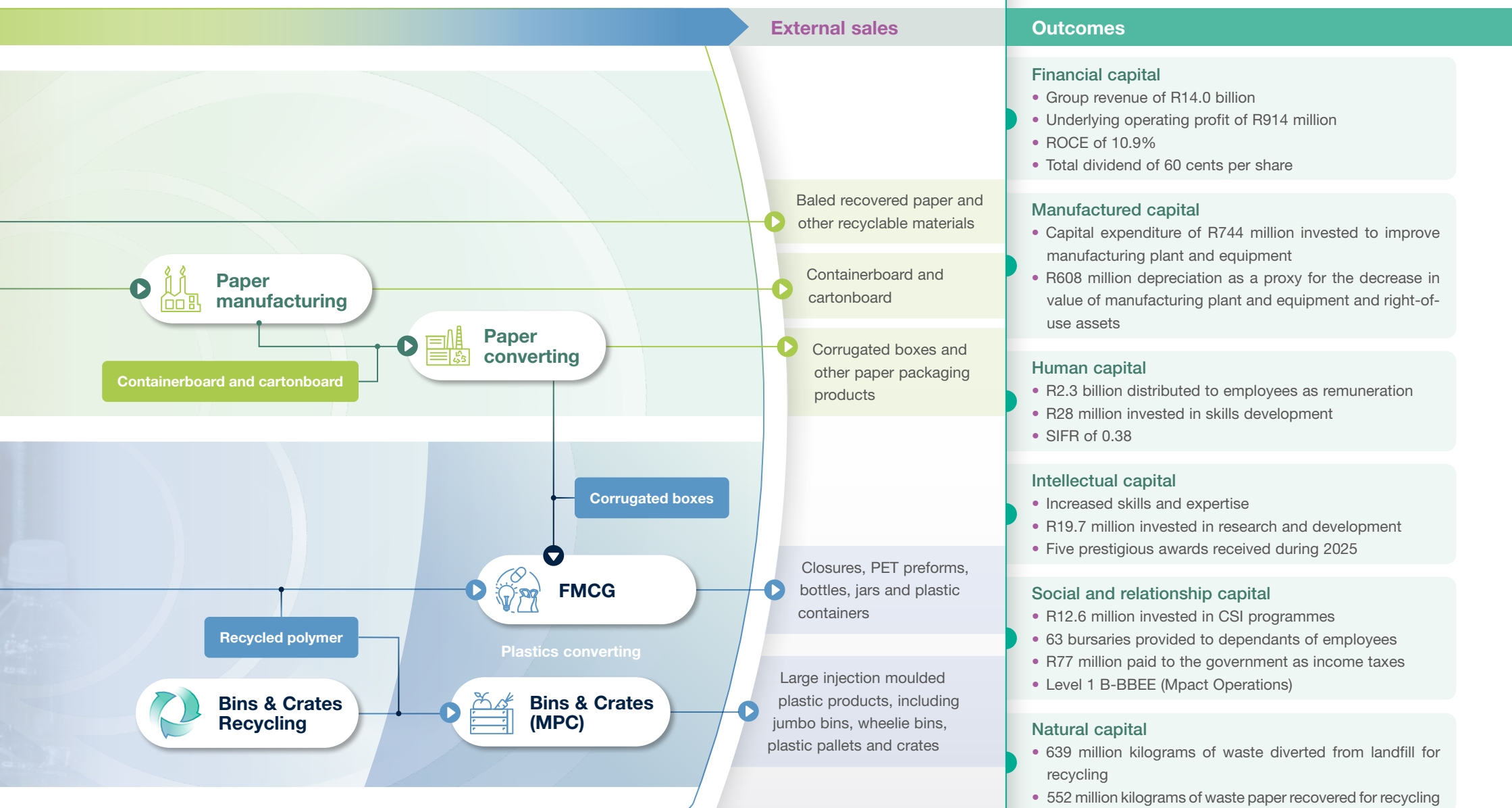


### Plastics business

Recovered plastics

External plastic recycling companies

See @ page 40 for more information on our Plastics business.



# Board of Directors

**Penuell Cornwell Sibusiso Luthuli (Sbu) (53)**



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**RC**

## Chairman

*BCom (University of Zululand), Post Graduate Diploma in Accountancy (University of Durban Westville), CA(SA)*

Sbu joined Mpact as an Independent Non-executive Director in December 2018. He is the Chair of the Board, Chair of the Nomination Committee, and a member of the Remuneration Committee. He is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Mpande Property Fund Manager Proprietary Limited, a fund that invests in the unlisted property sector. He is the former Chief Executive and Principal Officer of the Eskom Pension and Provident Fund and one of the founding members and former Deputy Chair of Batseta Council of Retirement Funds for South Africa, a pension fund industry body. He previously served as Chief Executive Officer of Ithala Bank (Ithala SOC Limited) and Chair of Cipla Medpro South Africa Proprietary Limited. He currently serves as a Non-executive Director of Telkom SA SOC Limited and is also a former Non-executive Director of BCX Limited.

**Maya Makanjee (Maya) (64)**



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## Independent Non-executive Director

*MBL (cum laude) (University of South Africa), BCom (University of KwaZulu-Natal), BA Fine Arts (University of Mumbai)*

Maya joined Mpact as an Independent Non-executive Director in September 2016 and is the Chair of the Social and Ethics Committee, a member of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee, and a Trustee on the Mpact Foundation Trust. Maya is the Chair of Datatec Limited and a Non-executive Director of Cell C Holdings Limited. She has gained extensive experience across Africa and in some parts of Asia and has held senior leadership/Executive Director roles at Telkom, Nestle, SABMiller, FinMark Trust and Vodacom.

**Donald Gert Wilson (Don) (69)**



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## Independent Non-executive Director

*Bachelor of Commerce and Certificate in the Theory of Accounting (CTA) from Rhodes University, CA(SA)*

Don joined Mpact as an Independent Non-executive Director in January 2022. He is the Chair of the Remuneration Committee, a member of the Audit and Risk Committee, and a member of the Nomination Committee. Don was previously Executive Director: Finance of Sappi Limited and Finance Director of Barloworld Limited. He currently serves as a Non-executive Director of Tiger Brands Limited.

**Alethea Berenice Anne Conrad (Lea) (61)**



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## Independent Non-executive Director

*BA (Rhodes University), LLB (Rhodes University), Management Advancement Programme (Graduate School of Business, Wits University), International Executive Development Programme (Graduate School of Business, University of Witwatersrand and London Business School)*

Lea was appointed to the Board as an Independent Non-executive Director in September 2022. She is a member of the Social and Ethics Committee and a member of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee. She is also the Chair of the Mpact Foundation Trust. Lea is the Managing Director of Conrad Advisory Proprietary Limited. She is the Lead Independent Director and Chair of the Social Ethics and Transformation Committee of Coronation Fund Managers Limited. She is also an Independent Non-executive Director of YeboYethu (RF) Limited, and is also the Independent Chair of the Afrimat BEE Trust. She was formerly the Chair of the Board of African Phoenix Investments Limited. Lea served as an Executive Director of the Oceana Group Limited from 2007 to 2016. During her 18-year tenure at the Oceana Group, Lea held executive management positions and also served as a director on the boards of various subsidiaries and as Chair of the Oceana Empowerment Trust.

**Fikile Constance Futwa (Fikile) (49)**



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## Independent Non-executive Director

*BCom Accounting (University of KwaZulu-Natal), Post Graduate Diploma in Accounting (University of KwaZulu-Natal), CA(SA)*

Fikile joined Mpact as an Independent Non-executive Director in May 2024 and is a member of the Audit and Risk Committee and a member of the Social and Ethics Committee. Fikile is the founder of Your Financial Partner CC, a SAICA-registered accounting firm. She has experience in external audit, accounting, payroll, financial management, corporate finance, corporate governance, taxation, and B-BBEE regulations. Fikile started her accounting articles at Andersen Incorporated and completed them with KPMG Incorporated. Post articles, she worked in corporate finance for Eskom and Anglo American Corporation Limited and later joined Discovery Limited. She has previously served as a Non-executive Director on various other boards. She also serves on the Board of Fairvest Limited, where she is the chair of the Audit and Risk Committee and a member of the Social and Ethics Committee.

Member of the  
Nomination  
Committee

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Member of the  
Remuneration  
Committee

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Member of the  
Audit and Risk  
Committee

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Member of the  
Social and Ethics  
Committee

**SEC**

Trustee of  
the Mpact  
Foundation Trust

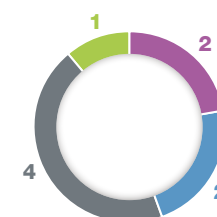
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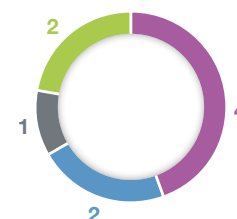
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### Age



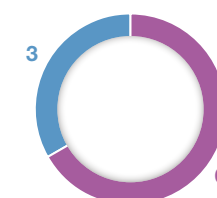
■ 40 – 49 years ■ 60 – 69 years  
■ 50 – 59 years ■ >70 years

### Tenure



■ 0 – 3 years ■ 5 – 9 years  
■ 3 – 5 years ■ >9 years

### Gender



■ Male ■ Female

**Saleh Mayet (70)**



ARC

**Independent Non-executive Director**

*BCom (University of Durban Westville), BCompt (Hons) (University of South Africa), CA(SA)*

Saleh joined Mpact as an Independent Non-executive Director in April 2025. He is the Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee. Saleh is a Chartered Accountant with well over three decades of experience in the Anglo American Group. Prior to his retirement at the end of March 2019, he was an Executive Director of Anglo American South Africa, and for the last 11 years of his career, Saleh held the position of Head of Finance. He was also an integral member of the executive team, providing key leadership, direction, and strategy to the South African corporate office and region. He has held several listed and unlisted Board positions and brings with him extensive experience across the full spectrum of corporate activities. He currently serves as an Independent Non-executive Director of Datatec Limited, Astral Foods Limited, and Motus Holdings Limited.

**Clifford David Raphiri (62)**



**Independent Non-executive Director**

*BSc Eng (University of Cape Town), GDE (University of Witwatersrand), PrEng (ECSA), MBA (Brunel University)*

Clifford joined Mpact as an Independent Non-executive Director in September 2025. He is a Mechanical Engineer and a member of the Engineering Council of South Africa. He currently serves as the Chair of Energy Partners Holdings Proprietary Limited and as a Non-executive Director of Growthpoint Properties Limited, where he is a member of the Social, Ethics and Transformation Committee, the Property and Investments Committee, and Chair of the Risk Committee. He has previously served as a Director of several companies, including the boards of South African Breweries Proprietary Limited, Adcock Ingram Holdings Proprietary Limited, Nampak Limited, and Murray & Roberts Holdings Limited.

**Bruce William Strong (Bruce) (57) CEO**



SEC

**Executive Director**

*BSc (Eng) (Summa cum laude) (University of KwaZulu-Natal), BCom (Hons) (University of South Africa), AMP (Harvard Business School)*

Bruce has been the CEO of Mpact since 2009. Prior to being appointed CEO, he held various management positions in Mondi, both in South Africa and Europe. Bruce has 30 years' experience in the paper and packaging industry. He currently serves as Chairman of Packaging SA and is a past Chairman of the Paper Manufacturing Association of SA and the South African Manufacturing Circle.

**Johannes Jacobus Snyman (Hannes) (44) CFO**



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**Executive Director**

*BAcc (Honours) (University of Stellenbosch), CA(SA), Executive MBA (Warwick Business School)*

Hannes was appointed as CFO of Mpact in June 2024. He fulfilled the role of Group Corporate Finance Manager of Mpact from May 2014 to December 2021. Since January 2022, he has been the Divisional Commercial Manager for Mpact Recycling and an Executive Director of Recycling Consolidated Holdings (Proprietary) Limited, a Group subsidiary. Prior to joining Mpact, he worked at PwC in London, Johannesburg, and the Channel Islands, with his last role being a Senior Manager in the Deals Team.

### Skills



# Management Team

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| <p>1 Bruce William Strong (57)</p>  <p>ED<br/>EC<br/>MC</p> | <p>2 Johannes Jacobus Snyman (44)</p>  <p>ED<br/>EC<br/>MC</p> | <p>3 Christoff Botha (52)</p>  <p>EC<br/>MC</p> | <p>4 John William Hunt (62)</p>  <p>EC<br/>MC</p> | <p>5 Hugh Michael Thompson (60)</p>  <p>EC<br/>MC</p> |
| <p>6 Ziyaad Carrim (45)</p>  <p>MC</p>                      | <p>7 Spurgeon Lange (62)</p>  <p>MC</p>                        | <p>8 Nompumelelo Kunene (41)</p>  <p>MC</p>     | <p>9 Georgina Sarah Robinson (42)</p>  <p>MC</p>  |                                                                                                                                          |

Executive  
Directors

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Executive  
Committee

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Management  
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| 1 | Bruce William Strong (57)    | <b>CEO</b><br>Executive Director Committee                                                                                                                                                                                       | As per previous page                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2 | Johannes Jacobus Snyman (44) | <b>CFO</b><br>Executive Director                                                                                                                                                                                                 | As per previous page                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3 | Christoff Botha (52)         | <b>MD: Paper Converting</b><br>Executive Committee<br><i>BCom (Honours) University of the Free State, AMP (Harvard Business School)</i>                                                                                          | Christoff joined Mpack as the Managing Director of the Paper Converting Division on 1 May 2020. He held various leadership positions in the previous 12 years in Novus Holdings including Divisional MD, Group Executive and Executive Director in the Heatset Labels and Flexibles Division. He has over 19 years of experience in the print and packaging industry.                                                            |
| 4 | John William Hunt (62)       | <b>MD: Recycling</b><br>Executive Committee<br><i>BSc (Eng), MSc (Eng) (University of KwaZulu-Natal)</i>                                                                                                                         | John has held the position of Managing Director of the Recycling Division since May 2011. His previous role was as the Business Manager for Technology Optimisation in the Group. He has served as an Executive Director of the Paper Manufacturers Association of South Africa and has over 30 years' experience in the paper industry.                                                                                         |
| 5 | Hugh Michael Thompson (60)   | <b>MD: Paper Manufacturing</b><br>Executive Committee<br><i>BCompt (Hons) (University of South Africa), CTA (University of South Africa), CA(SA), AMP (Harvard Business School)</i>                                              | Hugh has been the Managing Director of the Paper Manufacturing Division since October 2009. He fulfilled the role of CFO of Mpack until March 2007 and then the role of Managing Director of the Plastics Division until September 2009. He has more than 15 years' experience in the packaging sector. He was previously Senior Vice President (Corporate Finance) for Anglo American South Africa Limited.                     |
| 6 | Ziyaad Carrim (45)           | <b>Chief Information Officer</b><br>Management Committee<br><i>AMP (Yale School of Management)</i>                                                                                                                               | Ziyaad has held the position of Chief Information Officer since August 2021 and has over 18 years' ICT experience within the Mpack Group. His previous role was as the Infrastructure Manager, and Head of ICT of the Group.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 7 | Spurgeon Lange (62)          | <b>Group HR Manager</b><br>Management Committee<br><i>B Soc Sc (Hons) University of Cape Town, FNFM (University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business)</i>                                                                    | Spurgeon has held the position of Group HR Manager since August 2021. His previous role was as the Divisional HR Manager for the Paper Converting Division. He has more than 20 years' experience in the print and packaging industry, and prior to that spent 10 years in the metals and engineering industry in various HR leadership roles.                                                                                   |
| 8 | Nompumelelo Kunene (41)      | <b>Group Communications Manager</b><br>Management Committee<br><i>Bachelor of Technology degree in Journalism (Durban University of Technology), Programme for Management Development (Gordon Institute of Business Science)</i> | Nompumelelo joined Mpack as Group Communications Manager in January 2025. Prior to joining Mpack, she worked for Anglo American Plc as a Media Specialist looking after the company's reputation, stakeholder and media management for three years. She has also held a role as External Communication Manager at Transnet SOC Ltd for five years and practiced as a business journalist for various publications prior to that. |
| 9 | Georgina Sarah Robinson (42) | <b>Group Legal Counsel</b><br>Management Committee<br><i>BA LLB, LLM (Taxation), LLM (Commercial Law) (University of Cape Town)</i>                                                                                              | Gina has held the position of Group Legal Counsel since May 2015. She was previously employed by ENS Africa in its corporate commercial department.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

## Our focus on innovation

**Innovation is the cornerstone of Mpact's business model and a key driver of our long-term competitiveness. We continue to develop and maintain systems of sustainable competitive advantage based on innovation, research and technical support, to ensure that Mpact and its customers remain successful.**

### Innovation at the core of Mpact

A culture of innovation is embedded in the everyday actions of our teams, shaping the materials we introduce to the market, the systems and facilities we build, and the solutions we co-create with customers.

Mpact Recycling supports the circular economy by collecting and sorting recovered materials, while our Design Centres at Mpact Converting (Corrugated and Detpak), Mpact Plastics, and Mpact Plastic Containers (Bins & Crates) provide structural and graphic design capabilities that enable bespoke packaging solutions from concept through to prototype.

By aligning customer requirements with the latest technologies and materials, we develop new packaging solutions and entire product classes. These value-added offerings differentiate Mpact in the marketplace, deepen strategic customer partnerships, and enhance long-term loyalty through solutions that are not easily replicated.

Our Innovation Centres in Stellenbosch and Springs apply a structured, science-based methodology backed by more than a decade of expertise. This capability positions Mpact as a leader in food safety, recyclable and circular materials, life cycle assessments, and packaging performance. Together, these strengths enable Mpact to build "systems of advantage" across the value chain.

### Our model: Science-led and customer-centred

Mpact integrates innovation management, material science, and engineering to develop products and processes that meet evolving market needs. Our Innovation Centres operate in a matrix with business units, using advanced modelling, simulation, and rapid prototyping to shorten development cycles, enhance precision, and improve manufacturing performance.

### Design Centres and collaboration

Our Design Centres serve as creative and technical hubs. Designers and engineers work directly with customers to prototype new formats, test structural performance, and optimise manufacturability. These centres also ensure that designs are efficient, functional, and recyclable within South Africa's circular systems. Our national footprint provides resilience and continuity of supply during external disruptions.

### Food safety leadership

Mpact's deep food safety expertise ensures that recycled and recovered materials are integrated responsibly into packaging. Our teams rigorously assess food contact safety, research emerging risks in the recycling value chain, and collaborate with suppliers to phase out potential risks ahead of regulation. This proactive approach aligns safety, performance, and sustainability at every stage of the value chain.

### End-to-end packaging solutions

Across Mpact, we support customers with concept development, structural and graphic design, prototyping, and technical validation. Packaging decisions are guided by recyclability assessments, life cycle studies, carton performance testing, and food safety requirements.

Our teams balance performance and environmental outcomes, including trade-offs such as preventing food waste when changing packaging formats.

### Design for sustainability and the circular economy

Mpact's innovation approach is deeply aligned with circular economy principles. We design packaging that:

- Maximises recycled content where appropriate
- Performs effectively within South Africa's recycling and recovery systems
- Reduces material usage without compromising performance
- Avoids unintended consequences, such as shorter shelf life or increased food waste
- Supports closed-loop systems, particularly through Mpact Recycling's role in collection and sorting

We recognise that both paper and plastics include difficult-to-recycle grades. Mpact's Design and Innovation Centres therefore evaluate materials holistically, ensuring the chosen solution has the lowest environmental footprint across its life cycle. Circularity is considered from the start, from raw materials and product function to end-of-life recovery and repurposing.

### The future of innovation at Mpact

We will continue scaling innovation platforms that combine R&D expertise, food safety leadership, and design excellence. Our future pipeline includes lightweighting, expanding recycled content applications, enhancing product protection, and advancing lignin-derived product development.

At Mpact innovation remains focused on solutions that are economically viable, technically robust, and fully compatible with local recycling ecosystems and evolving regulatory environments.

## Innovation performance highlights

- ▶ **200+** new packaging designs developed annually across business units.
- ▶ **Up to 100%** recycled content in plastics and paper-based products.
- ▶ Continuous quality testing and automated inspection at major production sites.
- ▶ Collaboration with **100+** major customers through Mpack Design Centres.
- ▶ Average **15%** material reduction in new designs, improving cost efficiency and performance.

## Case in point: The Mkhondo mill upgrade

The Mkhondo paper mill upgrade illustrates Mpack's ability to combine scientific rigour, engineering excellence, and circular economy practices. The upgrade includes the Pulp Mill Upgrade (PMU) and sodium lignosulfonate (SLS) plant. The PMU increases production of Bayplex semi-chemical fluting grades to meet increasing demand for fresh produce packaging in South Africa's growing fruit export sector. The SLS plant converts black liquor, a by-product previously constrained by combustion capacity, into a high-value powdered product used in concrete additives, dust suppression, and animal feed.

Mpack's research into black liquor began in 2013, evolving from reclamation for combustion to new product development in partnership with Dalisu Holdings. As growth forecasts increased, computational fluid dynamics modelling helped optimise digester operations and informed the technical foundations for both the PMU and SLS. Market testing began in 2022, with pilot work in Denmark and Germany shaping plant design.

Mpack's Innovation team led the SLS plant design, quality control development, and specification setting, and continues to support optimisation and commercialisation. This project demonstrates how innovation, responsible resource use, and scientific excellence come together to deliver sustainable, commercially viable solutions.



## Our focus on innovation *(continued)*

### Industry-recognised excellence

Mpact was once again recognised for the innovation and design excellence of our products at the annual Institute of Packaging South Africa (IPSA) Gold Pack Awards, winning three awards, including a special award made by PETCO, and securing two finalist positions.

We also sponsored the Student Gold Pack Trophy for Packaging Technology, reinforcing our position as an industry leader in sustainable and innovative packaging solutions, and demonstrating our commitment to advancing technical excellence and education in the sector. This aligns with our core principles of innovation and sustainability.

The trophy was awarded to Cara-Lee Whitaker of the Institute of Packaging KwaZulu-Natal for the “Ecoffee slice”, a practical, zero-waste alternative to coffee sachets and pods. Each unit features a dissolvable arabica coffee square in a fully compostable dual-chamber pod. The multi-pack includes a collapsible paper cup with a seed-paper sleeve, enhancing sustainability and convenience.

### PETCO award and bronze medal – Non-alcoholic beverage



#### Lipton Ice Tea preforms & bottles 500ml & 1.5l Mpact Plastics Wadeville

These bottles, manufactured on behalf of PepsiCo South Africa, are now made from 100% post-consumer rPET, saving 550 tonnes of virgin plastic, 710 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> and 287,000 litres of water each year. With over 23 million bottles produced from rPET, this initiative supports circularity, strengthens local recycling infrastructure, benefits waste pickers, and demonstrates large-scale, profitable sustainability in action. Our innovation further demonstrates a strong commitment to carbon reduction and industry leadership, with a measurable, large-scale environmental impact.

### Bronze medal – Non-perishable food



#### Tamper evident, top class HDPE, flip-top closure

##### Mpact Plastics Pinetown

This single-piece, dual tamper-evident cap, which we produce for Imana Foods, is engineered for freshness, functionality, and sustainability. Refillable, recyclable, and 10% lighter, it saves over 15 tonnes of virgin polymer annually, while its mono-material PP design reduces warehouse space and boosts logistics efficiency.

### Alcoholic beverage finalist



#### JC Le Roux Nectar carton Mpact Corrugated

Produced for Heineken Beverages, this six-bottle sparkling wine pack uses an FSC® Certified (FSC®-C133590) kraft carton. The four-colour print with opaque white ink creates vibrant visuals, while two exclusive designs complement the shrink-sleeved bottles.

### Health, beauty, medical and pharmaceutical packaging finalist



#### Vaseline Blue Seal PJ 250ml PET jar Mpact Plastics

The iconic jar produced for Unilever South Africa is now made from PET, combining premium shelf presence with support for the circular economy through South Africa's established PET recycling value chain.

### Packaging-related medal winner



#### Detpak renewable food wax wrap Detpak South Africa

Made from natural, renewable resources, including sunflower and canola waxes, this compostable product contains no GMOs or animal products, providing a responsible end-of-life solution in line with our circular economy principles.