



EFF CONGRATULATES EFF SENIOR RESEARCHER DR GUMANI TSHIMOMOLA FOR BEING CONFERRED A DOCTORATE OF PHILOSOPHY IN SCIENCE

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The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) congratulates Senior Researcher, Dr Gumani Tshimomola for being conferred with a Doctorate of Philosophy in Science from the University of Witwatersrand.

This phenomenal achievement comes as Dr Tshimomola has been a committed, selfless and dedicated researcher of the EFF, who has contributed immensely to the qualitative output of the EFF not only in the legislative sphere, but across the various aspects of ideological development within the organisation.

Dr Tshimomola is an astute academic, who holds a BA in Development and Environmental Studies from the University of Stellenbosch, a BA Honours in Public Management, specialising in Public Finance from the University of Pretoria and an MA in Governance and Development Studies from the University of Sussex, England.

He grew up in Limpopo, in a rural area called Tshisaulu, near Thohoyandou, where his passion for education developed under difficult circumstances. Dr Tshimomola has experience in the National Treasury, which is where he realised the centrality of the institution, its close relationship with the banking sector and the broader financial sector. It is here where he learned to appreciate that for society to be transformed, there needs to be a change in the National Treasury.

His Doctoral Thesis, which focuses on Treasury and its systemic role in entrenching inequality, is titled ***Treasury's role in South Africa's political economy: a study of an institution at the centre of class project in the era of transition***

Dr Tshimomola epitomises the mantra of education as a service to the people, as he aspires to conduct research for the purpose of building a more equal society and making a continued contribution to scholarly work around transformative and redistributive policy formulation and implementation.

Dr. Gumani Tshimomola joined the EFF Parliamentary Caucus in 2015 and has throughout his tenure demonstrated impeccable commitment to the Organisation. His service to the Organisation far exceeds the research work and encompasses all organisational commitments. Not once did he give excuse of not doing organisational work even when in the process of finalizing his Phd Thesis. We wish him well and encourage all other Researchers and Public Representatives of the EFF to relentlessly pursue academic and research excellence.

The EFF congratulates Dr Gumani Tshimomola on his inspiring achievement, and encourages all members of the EFF to replicate his success and endeavour to make education fashionable. Dr Tshimomola is exemplary in that he exhibits how success can bloom from difficult circumstances, and his achievement should re-energise the fight for free education so that intellectuals can emerge from within our communities.

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