



A message from our founder

Never before since the dawn of democratic South Africa, have survival skills been in such demand. If you were like me, you probably watched your TV screen with horror and disbelief as parts of the country were thrown into a violent week of mass looting and riots. As many businesses, small and large try to pick up the pieces we begin to see the devastating impact.

This includes limited food supply/logistics, further job losses and increased racial tensions in some parts of the country. Despite this gloomy outlook, moments of crisis's often present opportunities and many South Africans have chosen to come together and REBUILD broken communities.

Making the choice to remain hopeful despite challenges, takes courage. During these difficult times, keep sharing your wisdom, maintain your connections and continue contributing to your communities whilst exploring opportunities to achieve your goals.

*Best regards
Rayelene*

2021 Midyear review

Core Competency Services - Client Engagement

In the first half of 2021, we continued to provide services from our core competency bouquet (Ethical Governance & Assurance Offerings) and found that services related to Risk Management and Board Governance were amongst the most requested for from our clients.



We also separated our Consulting activities from our Non-profit activities with the inception of our Non-profit arm – **People Solutions in Action (PSA)**.

Our website has also been updated to reflect the two streams more formally now – [click here to view now](#)

We kicked off our year by recognising important international days.

International Day of Women & Girls in Science – 11 February

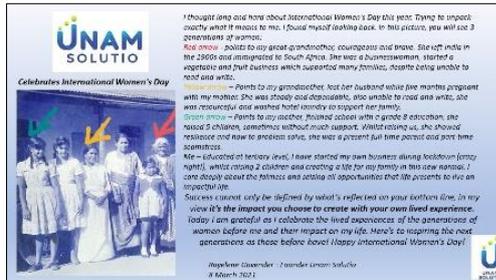


To increase awareness in communities about the International Day for Women and Girls in Science, Unam Solutio facilitated a conversation with South African scientist Santham Chetty and learnt about her journey in choosing science as her career.

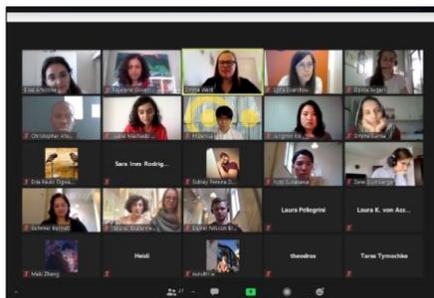
[Click here to watch this conversation](#)

International Women's Day – 8 March

We remembered International Women's Day by tracing the history of three generations of women in a family and noted how success also means how we choose to create impact with our own lived experience.



Stockholm University Masters Cohort Sharing Session



Sharing experiences and lessons learnt, with the class of 2021 at Stockholm University, in the Masters programme - International Comparative Education. This reminds us of the advantages and importance of sharing experiences on a global level.

Money Smart Week Africa Initiative - 22 - 28 March

In March, we participated in the global Money Smart Week to share FunDza/ Momentum Metropolitan's financial literacy initiative in South Africa's Money Smart Week programme.

Everyone should be able to understand and negotiate financial landscapes and manage risks effectively. For this to happen, access to information and education is required.



Check out <https://live.fundza.mobi/> which is zero rated on South Africa networks or visit <https://www.mswsa.co.za/> for more info.

Youth Day PSA Art Competition – 16 June

To celebrate Youth Day, we invited students in grade 7 to 12 across all South African schools to create a drawing or painting reflecting what creativity means to them.

The two age categories were:

- Grade 7 – 9 and Grade 10 – 12

Prizes awarded in each category were:

- 1st – R2000
- 2nd – R1000
- 3rd - R500



We had judges from South Africa, Sweden and Japan to help decide on the top 3 winners in each category. We received outstanding creative artwork. For more info on our winning entries visit: <https://unam.co.za/> Watch this space as the top 12 entries will feature in our 2022



Calendar, the proceeds from the sales of which will support future PSA Creative Education projects and programmes.

Virtual Workshop – NPO Risk Management Essentials 'For Impact Organisations' - 17 June

Event
UNAM Solutio
Virtual Workshop-NPO Risk Management Essentials
17 June 2021 9:00am – 12:00am
For all NPO staff who want to learn how to increase beneficiary impact - this workshop is for you

Facilitator
Rayelene Govender
Risk and Governance Consultant
NPO Board Trustee
Audit Committee Chair
Global Independent Quality Assurance Committee - HQAI

Non-profit organisations are facing extraordinary change and increased public scrutiny right now. They are dealing with slowing contributions coupled with an increased focus on regulatory oversight.

We hosted a beginner workshop in Risk Management to assist Non-profits in developing and maintaining a Risk Management culture that drives sustainable and impactful organisations. To find out about upcoming workshops or custom training, email us on info@unam.co.za

If your organisation is looking to thrive in a sea of uncertainty – contact us to start your journey. Visit us at www.unam.co.za to find out more about our bouquet of services and projects. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#) to find out about current projects and initiatives.

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