

# GAVIN GRANT MAASDORP

**1. Nationality:** South African

**2. Date & Place of Birth:** 5 December 1937, Graaff-Reinet, Cape Province.

**3. Marital Status:** Married.

**4. Degrees:** M.Com., Ph.D., (Natal).

Title of doctoral dissertation: "Transportation and Economic Development in a Small Peripheral Country - a Case Study of Swaziland".

## **5. Present position:**

Director, Imani Development International Ltd., Mauritius,  
2006-.

Director, Imani Development (SA) (Pty) Ltd., Durban, 1997-

Director, Imani-TMT Transport Consultants (Pty) Ltd.,  
Durban, 2002-

Emeritus Professor, University of Natal, 1998-

## **6. Employment record:** Economic Research Unit, University of Natal, Durban:

(a) Research Fellow 1964-69;

(b) Senior Research Fellow 1969-75;

(c) Associate Professor 1976-81;

(d) Professor and Director, 1982-97.

Mobil Oil (SA) (Pty) Ltd, Durban, 1961-64 (last position held:  
Assistant Branch Credit Manager).

Consolidated Stevedoring and Forwarding Agency SA) (Pty)  
Ltd,

Durban 1958-61 (last position held: Assistant Accountant).

## **7. Membership of Societies**

Economic Society of South Africa.

Economic History Society of Southern Africa.

Chartered Institute of Transport and Logistics

## **8. Relevant Project Experience**

In the following list of projects, have acted as team leader (negotiating the project with the client, interviewing firms and ministries, undertaking cost-benefit analyses, undertaking supporting economic analysis, liaising with engineers and other members of study teams, and editing final reports) or as sole consultant or as sub-consultant.

**1964-66:** Socio-economic studies in the Tongaat-Verulam Region (including survey of Indian Cane Growers) (for Tongaat Sugar Company).

**1969-1971:** Team leader, Swaziland Transportation Study (road feasibility studies, rail link feasibility studies and airport feasibility study) for the Second National Development Plan (for the Ministry of Works, Power and Communications).

**1975:** Prepared paper on Economic Aspects of the Division of the Cane Crop between Millers and Growers (for the Swaziland Cane Growers' Association).

**1976-1977:** Team leader, Feasibility Studies of Road Development for the Third National Development Plan (for the Ministry of Works, Power and Communications).

**1981-1982:** Team leader, Feasibility Studies of Road Development for the Fourth National Development Plan (for the Ministry of Works, Power and Communications).

**1982:** Team leader, Feasibility Study of Alternative Tarred Routes Between the Manzini-Siteki Road and the Northern Sugar Area (for Swaziland National Trust Commission and Ministry of Works, Power and Communications).

**1987:** Team leader, Feasibility Studies of Road Development for the Fifth National Development Plan (for the Ministry of Works and Communications).

**1991:** Economist, Pre-feasibility Study of Mutale River Pumped Storage Scheme (for VKE and Development Bank of Southern Africa).

**1992:** Lead economist, Pre-feasibility Study of Pongolapoort Dam-Lavumisa Irrigation Project, Swaziland (for Murray Biesenbach and Badenhorst and Governments of South Africa and Swaziland).

**1992:** Economic consultant in team of ZMCK Ltd., Lusaka, Feasibility Study of Mongu-Kalabo Road (for Government of Zambia).

**1992:** Feasibility Study of Mongu-Kalabo Road (for Government of Zambia).

**1992:** Feasibility study of Lavumisa irrigation scheme (for Swaziland Ministry of Agriculture).

**1993-94:** Team leader, Feasibility Study of Rail Spurs to the Sugar Mills at Big Bend, Mhlume and Simunye, and an Alternative Link between Mpaka and Mlawula (for Swaziland Sugar Association and Swaziland Railway).

**1996:** Prepared paper on "A Marketing Strategy for 1997/98-2001/02" (for the Swaziland Sugar Association).

**1998:** Professional consultant, Feasibility Study of Swaziland-Lothair rail link (for the Swaziland Railway, funded by the British Department for International Development).

**1998-99:** Team Member and Editor, study of Environmentally Sustainable Resource Development in the Maluti District of the Eastern Cape (for Nathan Associates, funded by USAID).

**1999:** Project leader, study on Agriculture and the new Trade Agenda of the WTO 2000 Negotiations – Interests and Concerns of the SADC Countries (for the World Bank).

**1999-2001:** Specialist economist, Project Management Team, Thukela Water Project Feasibility Study (for the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry, Pretoria).

**2000:** Team leader, Transport and Economic Development Study of the Coast-to-Coast Corridor (Maputo-Walvis Bay) (for the South African Department of Trade and Industry/Development Bank of Southern Africa).

**2000:** Team member, Pre-feasibility Study of an International Cargo Airport at Welkom (for Free State Goldfields Development Foundation).

**2000:** Team Leader, Study on Socio-economic Role of the South African Sugar Industry (for South African Sugar Association).

**2001:** Economist, Malawi Transport Sector Review (for ADB).

**2002:** Team member, Traffic and Revenue Forecasts 2002-19, Nacala Corridor Port and Railways (for Nedcor Investment Bank).

**2002:** Team leader, Report on Transport Logistics and Infrastructure Framework, Nacala Development Corridor (for Development Bank of Southern Africa).

**2003:** Joint Team Leader, Walvis Bay Corridor Project (for SADC).

**2003:** The Rebuilding of the Rivirivi Railway Bridge – A Financial and Economic Appraisal (for Department of International Development, UK).

**2004:** Overview of Economic Benefits Accruing from the Operation of a Seamless Nacala Development Corridor (for Development Bank of Southern Africa).

**2004:** Issues of Concern in the Southern African Sugar Trade (for the Programme Management Unit: Regional Trade Facilitation Programme).

**2005:** Economic Impact of the Otavi-Tsumeb Road (for VKE Namibia).

**2005-06:** Team leader, Transport Strategy for the Mtwara Development Corridor – Anchor mine-rail-port project (for the DBSA).

**2006:** Economic and Financial Report – Upgrading of Airports in Kenya (for Netherlands Airport Consultants BV/Stewart Scott International, funded by World Bank).