

CGA market access demands increased capacity.
By Tanya Ungerer

NEW market access liaison officers



Amy Grundling

In 2023 the CGA (Citrus Growers' Association) Board resolved to create two market access liaison officer roles to strengthen the role of the CGA in the diplomatic and political side of market access.

Through its Citrus Research Trust, the CGA invests heavily in the research and technical aspects of market access. But it's in the political area that market access applications and progress sometimes get stuck. Over months, candidates were interviewed for the two roles that would serve to support the executive market access portfolios of Deon Joubert (US and EU) and Justin Chadwick (Asia, East Europe, and Middle East). The positions are also part of succession planning for the future. As such, initially, the two roles will be involved in desk-type research while building up a network and proficiency over time.

The political context of market access applications and progress warrants increased capacity.

On 1 July 2024, Jana Janse van Rensburg joined the team to support Deon Joubert. Jana has a great interest in international law and made it part of her academic background since the beginning of her legal studies. Agricultural trading became



Jana Janse van Rensburg

a focus point during her education and complements her passion for the farming industry in exports, as well as the need and urgency for food security. She is currently an LLD postgraduate student at the University of Pretoria. Her aim is to make a positive legal impact through her dual research by identifying concerns in the export of produce (using citrus as an example) and introducing possible innovative solutions for better market access for South African agriculture.

Amy Grundling joined the team on 12 August 2024, after completing her internship at the World Trade Organisation (WTO) in Geneva. With a strong background in agricultural economics and international trade, Amy gained specialised experience during her internship at the WTO, focusing on sanitary and phytosanitary measures. Currently, Amy is working on her master's thesis, examining the impact of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA) on the South African fruit industry. She aims to leverage her expertise to enhance market access for South African citrus growers. Passionate about the citrus industry, Amy is dedicated to improving international market access and competitiveness, contributing to economic growth and community prosperity.

The CGA team warmly welcomes both Jana and Amy and looks forward to the immense value they will add. ▶



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