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# **GOAL OF FAPSA**

**TO PROMOTE THE BEST PRACTICE FOR STUDENT  
FINANCIAL AID ADMINISTRATION IN THIS FIELD OF  
SERVICE**

## **OBJECTIVES OF FAPSA**

- **Promote professionalism of practitioners**
- **National forum to discuss student funding**
- **Promote development and leadership**
- **Serve the interest of donors and students**

## **OBJECTIVES OF FAPSA: Cont.**

- **Promote programs of student financial aid**
- **Facilitate communication between donor and student**
- **Promote research, conferences and workshops.**
- **Analyse and review IT system enhancement**



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Theme for the 17<sup>th</sup> and 2018 FAPSA Conference

**#Free Education – The Impact**

**The Purpose of this conference is to look at the following factors:**

- The Impact of Free Education for All Institutions (both HEI's and TVET's)
- Continuous Challenges faced since the implementation of CAP, and
- What the best way forward would be as we compare, what we did in past, and what we doing today?
- The conclusion should be, “The Best Practise for Student Financial Aid within this field of service”

## **How were Funds Administered from 1991 to 2016?**

- ❖ **Institutions were all given an allocation per category of funding available**
- ❖ **NSFAS implemented strict deadlines for the submission of claims each year. No late submissions were allowed...**
- ❖ **Final Reports were submitted on time and by no later than the end of March each year**
- ❖ **In 2013 we saw the split between process as the CAP system being implemented in a selected group of institutions and were since referred to as the Pilot Institutions**

## **How were Funds Administered from 1991 to 2016?**

- ❖ **Majority of the Institutions however continued as was done in the past**
- ❖ **Institutions such as WSU, Unizulu and UFH since 2014, started using the eLAF system for the population of data onto the various claim category forms to reduce the number of rejections in the submission of their claims to NSFAS**
- ❖ **Then came 2017.....**

## **How were Funds Administered from 2017 to date?**

- **At the beginning of the 2017 academic year we were saw the full roll out plan of the CAP system**
- **Did we all prepare or should I say were we all prepared for what was about to happen next?**
- **Was the planning done properly before the implementation of the full roll out plan?**
- **Was there a proper consultation process done before the implementation of the full roll out plan?**



- **Challenges Faced to Today vs Challenges faced Back then**
  - ✓ **Today's challenges by far exceed the challenges faced then**
  - ✓ **Communication remains the key factor**
  - ✓ **The budget allocation received today by far exceeds the budget received back then**
  - ✓ **The biggest question however remains, "Is the funding being allocated to the correct student?"**
  - ✓ **How do we compare systems used back then to the system being used today?**

## **Proposed Way Forward**

- I would like to propose that the process is given back to the Institutions**
- I believe this eliminate most of the challenges that we faced with today**
- It is important to note that we have to look after the interest of our clients(Students), to ensure that they receive the best service possible and most of that they afforded the opportunity to focus on their studies, and exit the system within the N + 1 Rule...**
- Let us engage on these points raised above and ensure that when we leave this conference, that we all have a clear direction on the way forward, for the benefit of all parties involved...**



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**THE END**