

CONTACT DETAILS

Name of Company	EOH Coastal & Environmental Services
Designation	Mr Aidan Gouws – Environmental Consultant
Profession	Consulting Geographical Information Systems Specialist
Years with firm	0.5
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Nationality	South African
Key areas of expertise	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Environmental Authorisations➤ GIS➤ Ecological studies

PROFILE

Aidan obtained his MSc in Environmental Science (*Cum laude*) from Rhodes University, having conducted research on the spatio-temporal dynamics of *Acacia dealbata* invasions and broader land-use and cover changes in the northern Eastern Cape, funded through a study bursary awarded by the Agricultural Research Council (ARC). Prior to this, he obtained his BSc Honours in Geographical and Environmental Sciences (*Cum laude*) from the University of Pretoria, studying plant ecology and EIA methodology amongst others. He is also member of the Golden Key Honours Society. His interests include GIS, ecological studies and social impact assessments.

**EMPLOYMENT
EXPERIENCE**

**Environmental Consultant, EOH Coastal and
Environmental Services**

July 2018 – current

- Responsible for conducting a range of environmental studies in the broad fields of Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management.
- Sourcing small to medium projects by preparing proposals under supervision.
- Taking responsibility for Basic Assessments, and small projects under the guidance and supervision of a more senior staff member.
- Taking responsibility for the remote sensing satellite imagery and specialist GIS tasks when required

Volunteer, Khulisa Social Solutions

May 2018 – July 2018

- Responsible for refining the organisational participatory research and intervention methodology guidelines.

**Departmental tutor, Department of Environmental
Science, Rhodes University**

January 2016 – December 2017

- General assistance: helping staff and fellow post-graduate students with GIS- and statistics-related queries.
- Demonstrator: assistance with undergraduate environmental science practical sessions and marking of practical reports.

**Demonstrator, Department of Plant Science, University
of Pretoria**

July 2015 – December 2015

- Assisting third year students in practical plant identification using dichotomous keys and family recognition by diagnostic reproductive and vegetative characters

**ACADEMIC
QUALIFICATIONS**

Rhodes University, Grahamstown, Eastern Cape.

- M.Sc. Environmental Science (*Cum laude*)
January 2016 – January 2018

University of Pretoria, Pretoria, Gauteng.

- B.Sc. Hons. Geographical and Environmental Sciences (*Cum laude*)
January 2015 – December 2015

University of Pretoria, Pretoria, Gauteng

- B.Sc. Environmental Sciences (*Cum laude*)
January 2012 – December 2014

MEMBERSHIPS

- Golden Key International Honour Society –
University of Pretoria Chapter.

**PROJECT
EXPERIENCE**

1. Gouws, A. 2018, 'A spatio-temporal, landscape perspective on *Acacia dealbata* invasions and broader land-use and cover changes in the northern Eastern Cape, South Africa', MSc. Thesis, Rhodes University, Grahamstown.
2. Gouws, A. 2015, An ethnobotanical approach to rural livelihood strategies in Gonani village, Limpopo, South Africa, Honours Thesis. University of Pretoria, Pretoria

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this CV correctly describes me, my qualifications, and my experience. I understand that any wilful misstatement described herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal, if engaged.

Aidan Gouws

Date: 14 August 2018