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As we step into 2026, the Alumni Relations Office at IIE Rosebank College would like to extend our warmest greetings and best wishes to our valued alumni community. A new year always presents an opportunity to reflect, reconnect, and reimagine the impact we can make together as a network of professionals, leaders, and innovators.

IIE Rosebank College values its alumni and celebrates their achievements as a key part of its legacy. In 2026, the college aims to strengthen alumni engagement, collaboration, and growth opportunities. This newsletter highlights major activities, including alumni success stories, first-year orientation, networking events, a Women of Impact event, and the alumni mentorship programme. Alumni are encouraged to stay connected and continue contributing to the community.

Here's to a year of growth, connection, and impact.

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Editor's Note

Dear RI Alumni,

Welcome to another edition of the RI Alumni Newsletter!

As we continue to grow our alumni community, we are reminded that graduation is not the end of your journey with Rosebank International - it is the beginning of a lifelong connection with the institution and with fellow RI graduates.

Our alumni community is an important part of who we are. Your experiences, achievements, expertise and continued growth inspire our current students and demonstrate the possibilities that exist beyond the classroom. We therefore encourage you to stay connected, engage with us and be part of the RI Alumni community.

Through our alumni initiatives, we aim to create opportunities for networking, mentorship, professional development, career support, industry engagement and meaningful collaboration. We also encourage alumni to support our students by sharing your experiences, participating in career conversations, mentoring opportunities and other alumni initiatives.

Your Career Journey Matters

The Career Centre continues to support students and graduates with career development and placement opportunities. If you are looking for career opportunities, would like to engage with the Career Centre, or are interested in supporting our graduates, please contact careerlaunch@rbi.ac.za.

For all alumni-related enquiries, updates, collaborations and opportunities to get involved, please contact us at rialumni@rbi.ac.za.

Tell Us Your Story

We want to celebrate you!
Our RI Alumni 1000 Stories campaign gives alumni an opportunity to share their career journeys, achievements, lessons, businesses, community contributions and milestones with the wider RI community.

Whether you have landed your dream job, started a business, achieved an academic milestone, travelled the world, made an impact in your community or simply overcome challenges along your journey - your story matters.

We encourage alumni to share their stories and inspire the next generation of RI graduates.

Stay Connected

Make sure you follow and engage with our RI Alumni LinkedIn page (50) Rosebank International SA- Alumni: Posts | LinkedIn for alumni news, opportunities, events, career information, graduate success stories and ways to get involved.

The strength of our alumni community depends on all of us. Stay connected. Stay engaged. Keep inspiring.

We look forward to hearing from more of our alumni, celebrating your successes and building an even stronger RI Alumni community together.

Once RI, Always RI.
Warm regards,
RI Alumni Team
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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A WOMAN IN TODAY'S WORLD?



It sounds like a simple question. Yet, throughout Women's Month, the women of the Rosebank International alumni community reminded us that the answer is anything but simple.

As part of our Women's Month campaign, we invited female alumni from across all RI campuses, representing different faculties, fields, backgrounds and stages of their careers to reflect on what womanhood means to them. As they defined womanhood, one message became increasingly clear: there is no single way to define what it means to be a woman.

Today's woman can be ambitious and nurturing. She can be a leader, a professional, a caregiver, a student, an entrepreneur, a mentor, a friend and a changemaker. Often, she is several of these things at once.

Womanhood exists in the ability to navigate these different roles while continuing to grow, evolve and make space for one's own identity.

Many Women, Many Meanings

Throughout the campaign, our alumnae offered different interpretations of womanhood.
For some, being a woman meant showing up with purpose and giving their best in everything they do. For others, it was rooted in resilience, confidence, independence, compassion, leadership or the ability to uplift those around them.

Their reflections highlighted something worth celebrating womanhood does not have to fit neatly into one definition.

A woman can be strong without always having to be the strongest person in the room.

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She can pursue an ambitious career while valuing her relationships and community. She can lead while still learning. She can support others while continuing to discover herself.

These qualities do not contradict one another. They demonstrate the depth and complexity of being a woman.

The Many Roles Women Carry

Modern women often find themselves moving between different worlds.

In one moment, she may be making decisions in the workplace. In another, she may be supporting her family, encouraging a friend, pursuing further education, building a business or working towards a personal goal.

Behind every professional title is a person carrying dreams, responsibilities, relationships and ambitions that cannot always be captured in a job description. Our alumnae reflected this beautifully. Their qualifications and careers may differ, but their stories speak to women who continue to learn, contribute and make their presence felt wherever they find themselves.

And perhaps that is part of what makes womanhood so difficult to define. It is not one role, one quality or one experience. It is many things existing at once.

Beyond Women's Month

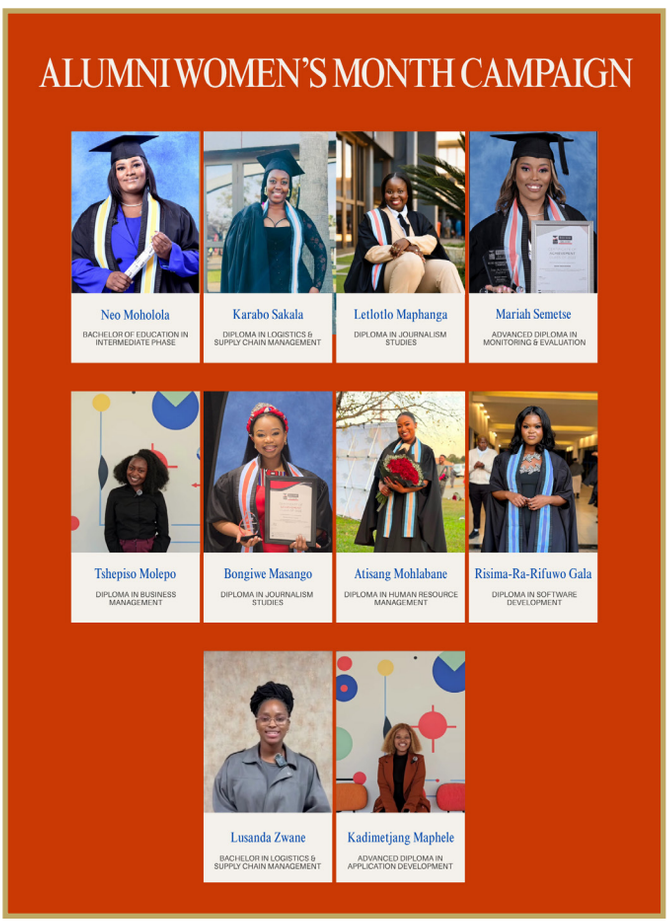
As Women's Month comes to an end, the celebration of women should not end with it.

The stories shared throughout August remind us of the importance of creating spaces where women can speak about their experiences in their own words, celebrate their achievements and define success and womanhood for themselves.

At Rosebank International, we are proud to have spent this Women's Month amplifying the voices of alumnae who continue to build careers, influence their communities and shape their own paths.

Their reflections leave us not with one definition of womanhood, but with something far more meaningful: the understanding that there does not need to be one. To every woman within our alumni community and beyond, may you continue to define womanhood on your own terms, embrace the many versions of yourself and take up space in every room you enter.

Because being a woman is not about being one thing. It is about having the freedom to be many.



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THE NEXT CHAPTER: WHAT HAPPENS AFTER GRADUATION?

Graduation marks the end of one chapter, but it is also the beginning of a new journey. On Monday, 14 September 2026, Rosebank International brought students together for “The Next Chapter: What Happens After Graduation?”, a session focused on preparing students for the transition from campus life into the world of work.

The session featured three speakers, Tumi Nkosi (RI Marketing Executive), Menzi Oliphant (Alumni Administrator), and Bongiwe Masango (Alumni Administrator), who each shared personal experiences and practical lessons from their own journeys.

Be Visible. Be Present.
Bongiwe Masango spoke about the importance of visibility and presence, reflecting on her journey from her first year as a Class Representative to becoming SRC Deputy President in her final year, and eventually joining the Alumni Department.

Her journey demonstrated how being actively involved and making your presence known can open doors to opportunities you may not have initially considered. She encouraged students to participate, get involved and allow their work and character to speak for them.

Make Use of the Opportunities Around You
Menzi Oliphant focused on the importance of taking advantage of opportunities that already exist on campus. From student leadership and committees to networking opportunities and campus initiatives, he encouraged students not to wait for opportunities to come to them.

Drawing from his own experience in student leadership, Menzi highlighted how getting involved can help students build relationships, develop valuable skills and create experiences that extend beyond the classroom.

Pursue Excellence and Show Up as Yourself
Tumi Nkosi shared insights from her own career journey and professional experience, emphasising the importance of pursuing excellence while remaining true to yourself.

She encouraged students to take pride in the work they do, consistently strive for excellence and show up authentically. Tumi also reflected on her experience of being invited to join Golden Key after meeting the required academic criteria, highlighting how a commitment to excellence can open doors to new opportunities.

Your Next Chapter Starts Now
While each speaker shared a different perspective, one message connected the session: the transition after graduation does not begin on graduation day. It starts while you are still a student.

Whether it is through student leadership, campus committees, networking, academic achievement or simply being present and involved, the experiences students build at Rosebank International can help shape what comes next.

As students prepare for their own next chapters, the question is not only “What happens after graduation?” but also “What am I doing now to prepare for it?”



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WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN RI ALUMNI

Staying Connected. Giving Back.
Inspiring the Next Generation.



Being an RI Alumni means that your journey with Rosebank International does not end when you graduate. It is about remaining connected to the institution that played a part in shaping your academic, personal and professional journey.

As an RI Alumni, you are part of a growing community of professionals, entrepreneurs and changemakers who continue to make a difference in their industries and communities. Through the alumni community, you have opportunities to network, share experiences, access career opportunities, mentor current students and support fellow graduates.

Being an alumnus also means finding meaningful ways to give back to your alma mater. Giving back does not always have to be financial. Alumni can contribute by sharing their knowledge and expertise, speaking at student events, mentoring graduates, creating internship or employment opportunities, supporting fundraising initiatives, attending alumni events, sharing career opportunities and opening doors for the next generation.

Your experience after graduation can become a valuable resource for someone who is still beginning their journey.

By sharing your story, lessons and professional experiences, you can inspire current students to believe in what is possible beyond the classroom.

Giving back also strengthens the RI community. When alumni remain engaged and contribute their time, skills, networks and resources, they help create opportunities for others while building a stronger and more connected alumni network.

Once RI, always part of the RI Family.



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BUSINESS BREAKFAST CONNECTS STUDENTS, ALUMNI AND INDUSTRY



Capsicum Boksburg Campus, in collaboration with the Career Centre at Rosebank International – Braamfontein Campus, hosted a Business Breakfast on 27 August 2026, bringing together students, alumni, industry partners and institutional representatives for a morning of networking, career conversations and meaningful engagement.

The programme was facilitated by Siphenkosi Tolana, Career Centre Officer, who highlighted the importance of creating opportunities for students to connect with industry, build professional networks and gain insight into the world of work.

The event was officially opened by Lumka Mhlahlo, Campus Head, who emphasised the importance of collaboration between the institution, students and industry in creating meaningful career opportunities. National Career Centre Manager, Mr Thabani Shange, also highlighted the Career Centre's role in strengthening industry relationships and supporting students and graduates in their transition into the workplace.

Meeting Our Future Chefs

A highlight of the morning was meeting our future chefs, who prepared and presented the meal under the guidance of Senior Lecturer Chef Lerato. The students had an opportunity to showcase their culinary skills and professionalism while engaging with industry guests.

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Celebrating Alumni Success

The event also celebrated the journey of Mduduzi, a Capsicum alumnus from the 2023 cohort, whose career reflects the impact of education, career support and industry exposure. Through institutional support, Mduduzi secured an opportunity in Qatar, working at Doha Airport under Qatar Aircraft Catering Company. He has since continued his international career and is currently working in Miami on a celebrity yacht. Attending the event while on vacation leave, Mduduzi's return was a proud moment and an opportunity for current students to see the possibilities that can follow after graduation.

Representing Rosebank International – Braamfontein Campus was Karabo Ashley Ngobeni, who proudly represented the RI Alumni community. Her presence reinforced the importance of alumni remaining connected to the institution and contributing to a growing network of graduates who continue to carry the RI name into different spaces and industries.

Building Meaningful Connections

The presence of industry partners added significant value to the Business Breakfast, creating opportunities for conversations around career pathways, employment, industry expectations and professional development.

For the Alumni and Career Centre teams, events such as these are important because they strengthen the connection between students, alumni, the institution and industry, while creating opportunities for collaboration and future career prospects.

The event concluded with closing remarks from Sibusiso Nhlapho, bringing together the day's key themes of collaboration, student development, alumni success and industry engagement.

The Business Breakfast was a celebration of talent, opportunity and the RI community, demonstrating the importance of staying connected and creating pathways that support students and graduates beyond the classroom.







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THE IMPORTANCE OF CAREER SERVICES



Career Services plays an important role in supporting students and graduates as they transition from education into the world of work. Through career guidance, industry engagement, job opportunities, employability workshops, CV support and placement initiatives, the Career Centre helps students make informed career decisions and prepare for the workplace. By connecting graduates with employers and creating opportunities for professional development, Career Services contributes to graduate employability and strengthens the link between education and industry.

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