

# A chance second to none

One of Unisa's most successful community engagement initiatives to date is the Chance 2 Advance (C2A) programme. The C2A programme uses informal learning since it is fast becoming the most appropriate means to educate, uplift and enable communities to pursue life-long learning without the barriers of university entry requirements and costly fees.

Says Dr Genevieve James, creator of the programme: 'There are millions of adults and youth who are unemployed, poorly educated and not studying. Many do not qualify to enter a university or technical vocational education and training (TVET) college, and for those who participated in adult literacy programmes and attended public adult learning centres, there are no additional learning opportunities. Once communities re-discover the joys of learning, contribute to their learning development and co-determine their learning outcomes, there is a greater likelihood of completing basic education and securing entrance into the post-school education system, and greater civic participation.'

## C2A @ a glance



This year, more than 40 Unisa staffers participated in the various C2A programmes around the country.

More than 250 facilitators are on C2A's national database. These facilitators' proposals, workshop strategies and presentations are considered for implementation on ongoing basis.

The numbers since the inception of C2A in 2011 are impressive:

**60**  
programmes



**60 000**  
participants

**5** provinces



**100+**  
communities