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Rachel Jafta is Professor in Economics at the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, where she lectures International Trade, Trade and Industrial Policy, Development Economics and the Economics of Technological Change. Her research and publications are in the fields of Economics of Innovation, International Trade, Competition Economics, Social entrepreneurship and innovation, and Black Economic Empowerment. She studied at the Universities of the Western Cape and Stellenbosch in South Africa and Luigi Bocconi in Milan, Italy, and recently Harvard Business School.

She joined the Naspers board in 2003 and the Media 24 board in 2007. She is a member of the Nomination committee at Naspers and the Human resources and Remunerations committee at Media24. She chairs the Human resources and Remunerations committee at Naspers and the Nominations committee at Media24. She was appointed chair of the Media24 board in April 2014 and is a member of the Naspers social and ethics committee.

She is the founder and chairperson of a number of Community engagement projects, amongst others the Media24 Rachel's Angels Mentorship Programme and the Cape Town Carnival. She is a member of the South African Economic Society and the Economic history Society.

She has received awards for excellence in research, teaching, and community engagement, as well as the University of Stellenbosch's Award for Exceptional Alumni (2011). In 2015 she was appointed to the Management Committee of the Bureau for Economic Research at Stellenbosch, the first woman to join the team since the inception of the BER fifty years ago.

