

NWU Soccer Institute goalkeeper coach joins PSL team

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North-West University (NWU) goalkeeper coach Thato Haraba has recently joined South African Premier Soccer League (PSL) team Bloemfontein Celtic FC as a goalkeeper coach for the Free State-based outfit.

Haraba has been with the NWU Soccer Institute as a goalkeeper coach since January 2020.

He says the exposure gained from the institute was enormous.

“It was very hard for me to leave, but in life one has to grow and this offer was definitely an opportunity not to be missed,” says Haraba.

The 30-year-old coach has played for the Bloemfontein Celtics U/19, FC Cape Town, Maluti FC that was promoted to the GladAfrica Championship League, and later the first team of Bloemfontein Celtic.

He was also part of the South African U/20 team that participated in the 2008 Cosafa Cup.

Unfortunately, his football career was cut short due to medical reasons.

Soccer Institute coach Karabo Masehela says he is very happy for Thato.

“I am honoured to have worked with Thato as NWU goalkeeper coach. I have no doubt that he will continue to do the same excellent job for the Bloemfontein Celtics FC goalkeeping department as he did for the Soccer Institute,” he adds.

“I wish Thato the best in this new role and hope he will represent the NWU Soccer Institute well.”



Former NWU Soccer Institute goalkeeper coach Thato Haraba recently joined South Africa Premier Soccer League team, Bloemfontein Celtic FC.

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