

Now e.tv's COO resigns

NEWSWATCH: Following the departure of Marcel Golding and Barbara Hogan from e.tv, the COO has now also resigned, reports *Mail & Guardian* and *BD Live*.



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- *Mail & Guardian*: [e.tv's chief operating officer resigns...](#) According to the *Mail & Guardian* report, COO Bronwyn Keene-Young (who is married to Golding) is the latest to leave e.tv "amid the Marcel Golding debacle, in a stand against the broadcaster's lack of editorial independence".

In the report, Keene-Young says John Copelyn, the chair of ENCA parent company Sabido Investments, sought her removal from the company earlier this year when she resisted 'editorial instructions' from Yunis Shaik. It quotes Keene-Young as saying: "Copelyn does not tell you that he told me the line of editorial independence was not one for the news editorial team to determine, nor was it for [subsidiary] Sabido management to determine. That would be determined by the HCI."

The report also says that Keene-Young said that earlier in the year, she resisted "editorial instructions" from Shaik and Copelyn sought her removal from the company and only agreed to let her keep her job provided she was "sidelined into a new position in which news no longer reported to me".

- **See also:** *BD Live*: [e.tv chief operating officer quits with immediate effect](#) The *BD Live* report says that "Keene-Young took issue with Copelyn's letter (the one he sent to staff following Golding's departure) saying that he had been silent on how he had attempted to manipulate e.tv from behind the scenes.

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