

## ANNUAL MULTI-STAKEHOLDER FORUM

The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf)  
cordially invites you to the  
1st Annual Multi-Stakeholder Forum  
on

### Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

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**Date:** 05 December 2018  
**Time:** 09:00 – 14:30  
**Venue:** CSIR International Convention Centre, Pretoria  
**RSVP:** [Click](#) to RSVP by 30 November 2018

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In 2015, South Africa with other member states of the United Nations (UN) adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2030 Agenda). In committing to the 2030 Agenda, South Africa assessed its alignment to the National Development Plan (NDP) and realised the critical role and cross-cutting nature and contribution of science, technology and innovation (STI) will play in implementing these goals. The UN Multi-stakeholder Forum on STI meetings called for member states to develop and implement inclusive STI for SDG action plans/roadmaps or strategies as part of the national responses to the 2030 Agenda.

The Department of Science and Technology (DST) has been tasked to coordinate the national system of innovation to jointly develop and implement the national Science, Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Action Plan. The workshop intends to frame an STI for SDGs Action Plan for the country and as such, demonstrate how South Africa will leverage STI for SDGs and as much as possible reflect on data needs for reporting purposes.

In view of your interest and expertise, you are cordially invited to the **Annual Multi-Stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Development Goals** as a guest stakeholder. This is the first Annual Multi-Stakeholder Forum and ASSAf, together with DST, would be greatly pleased if you would accept this invitation to participate.

I look forward to your response. If you have any queries about this event, please contact Dr Tebogo Mabothe on [tebogo@assaf.org.za](mailto:tebogo@assaf.org.za).