DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY NOTICE 49 OF 2019



CALL FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR NATURAL SCIENTIFIC PROFESSIONS

The Minister of Science and Technology hereby invites interested parties to nominate candidates to be considered for appointment to the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP), which is being reconstituted in terms of the Natural Scientific Professions Act, 2003 (Act No. 27 of 1997), as amended by the Science and Technology Laws Amendment Act, 2014 (Act No. 7 of 2014) ("the Act").

The objectives of SACNASP are to register and regulate natural science professionals, proactively advise Government and relevant stakeholders on the contributions and role of the Natural Scientific Professions in South Africa, promote the natural science professions in South Africa, promote the professional development and transformation of the natural science sector of South Africa, and to foster a culture of good corporate governance in relation to the Council.

According to section 3 (1) of the Act, the Council should consist of no fewer than 20 and no more than 30 members appointed by the Minister of whom -

- (a) not fewer than 12 and not more than 18 must be professional natural scientists or certificated natural scientists nominated by the voluntary associations and who -
 - (i) practise natural scientific professions;
 - (ii) represent the different categories of registered persons mentioned in section 18;
 - (iii) fairly represent the different categories in the natural scientific professions; and
 - (iv) broadly represent the demographics of the Republic.
- (b) not fewer than four and not more than six must have scientific qualifications and be in the service of the State, each nominated by his or her Director-General or the chief executive officer of the organ of state concerned; and
- (c) not fewer than four and not more than six are members of the public nominated through an open process of public participation".

Relevant curricula vitae for nominated candidates, including the following information, should be provided: Identity number; gender; race; designation and responsibilities; contact details (postal and email addresses, and telephone and fax numbers); qualifications and field; current and past service on boards; areas of expertise; and the names and contact details of two referees.

Confirmation of the availability of the nominee is also required.

Nominations may be sent to the Director-General: Science and Technology, for attention Ms Happy Molefe, in one of the following ways:

- By email to Phumelele.Yabo@dst.gov.za.
- By post to the Department of Science and Technology, Private Bag X894, Pretoria, 0001.
- By hand to the Department of Science and Technology, Building 53, Scientia Campus, Meiring Naudé Road, Brummeria, Pretoria.
- By fax to 086 680 9326.

NB: Nominations will not be considered unless all the requirements set out above are met. Correspondence will be entered into with shortlisted candidates only.