

Dialogue Programme

DAY 1 THURSDAY, 7 APRIL 2016		
08:30 - 09:30	Arrival, registration and refreshments	
Opening and Welcome		
09:30 - 09:45	Opening and Welcome	Prof Cheryl de la Rey <i>Vice-Chancellor and Principal, University of Pretoria, and Chairperson of the USAf Research and Innovation Strategy Group (RISG)</i>
Keynote Dialogue		
09:45 - 10:30	The Role of Research and Innovation in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals 2030	Prof Roseanne Diab <i>Executive Officer, Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf)</i> Dr Siphamandla Zondi <i>Executive Director of the Institute for Global Dialogue and National Planning Commissioner</i> Ms Eva Ziegert <i>Section Head, Education, Science and Research, German Embassy</i>
10:30 - 11:00 REFRESHMENT BREAK		
Research & Innovation Funding in South Africa Session Chairperson: Dr Chris Nhlapo <i>DVC Research, Technology, Innovation and Partnerships, Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT) and RISG member</i>		
11:00 - 12:20	The review of the White Paper for Science and Technology and decadal plan Followed by discussion.	Dr Phil Mjwara <i>Director-General, Department of Science and Technology (DST), and</i> Dr Mlungisi Cele <i>Acting CEO, National Advisory Council on Innovation (NACI), DST</i>
12:20 - 13:00	Research and Innovation funding instruments to raise South Africa's competitiveness in science and technology: Lessons from other developing countries (A USAf commissioned study)	Prof Anastassios Pouris <i>USAf Researcher</i>

	Followed by discussion.	
13:00 –13:10	Group Photograph	Ms 'Mateboho Green, USAf
13:10 - 14:00 LUNCH		
14:00 - 14:45	Facilitated Discussion: Specific recommendations and policy proposals to improve research and innovation funding for universities and the entire National System of Innovation (NSI), including strategies for improving the current Research and Development (R&D) expenditure as a proportion of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	Prof Francis Petersen <i>Deputy Vice-Chancellor Institutional Innovation, University of Cape Town (UCT)</i>
Policy Development for Internationalisation of Universities Research Infrastructure and Cyber-infrastructure Session Chairperson: Prof Frikkie van Niekerk <i>DVC Research, Innovation and Technology, North-West University (NWU) and RISG member</i>		
14:45 - 15:15	<i>Draft Policy Framework on Internationalisation for South African Public Universities</i> Research infrastructure planning for 2016 and beyond: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Research Equipment Grant (NRF) ▪ National Integrated Cyberinfrastructure System (CSIR) 	Mr Chief Mabizela <i>Chief Director, Policy and Development Support, DHET</i> Dr Romilla Maharaj <i>Executive Director, Human and Institutional Capacity Development, National Research Foundation (NRF)</i> Prof Colin Wright <i>Centre for High Performance Computing, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)</i>
	Rural Campuses Connection Project (RCCP)	Mr Duncan Greaves <i>Chief Executive Officer, The Tertiary Education and Research Network of South Africa (TENET)</i>
15:15 - 15:45 REFRESHMENT BREAK		
15:45 - 16:45	Discussions	
16:45 - 17:00	Closing remarks	Prof Aldo Stroebe <i>Executive Director, International Relations and Cooperation, National Research Foundation (NRF), and Member of the RISG (SARIMA)</i>
18:30 DINNER EVENT - Venue: Fabia II, Emperors Palace <i>Remarks by the Chairperson of Universities South Africa – Prof Adam Habib, Vice-Chancellor and Principal, University of the Witwatersrand</i>		

DAY 2 FRIDAY, 8 APRIL 2016		
08:40 - 08:45	Opening and Welcome	Prof Cheryl de la Rey
08:45 - 09:00	Summary of the proceedings for Day 1	Dr Narend Baijnath <i>CEO, Council on Higher Education (CHE)</i>
Transformation and Human Capital Development in Universities; Measurement of the Performance of the NSI; and Session Chairperson: Prof Aldo Stroebe , <i>Executive Director, International Relations and Cooperation (IRC) and RISG member (SARIMA)</i>		
09:00 - 10:00	Presentations of existing interventions to support human capital development for universities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New Generation of Academics Programme (nGAP): lessons learnt from the implementation in 2015 ▪ DST/NRF-related interventions to support human capital development for universities Followed by discussion.	Dr Whitty Green <i>Chief Director, Teaching and Learning Development, DHET</i> Dr Phetiwe Matutu <i>Chief Director, Human Capital and Science Promotion, DST</i>
10:00 - 10:30 REFRESHMENT BREAK		
10:30 - 11:15	Proposed innovation portal and implications for the measurement of Research and Innovation outputs in South Africa Followed by discussion.	Dr Mlungisi Cele <i>Acting CEO, National Advisory Council on Innovation (NACI), DST, and</i> Mr Petrus Letaba <i>Senior Specialist, NACI</i>
11:15 - 12:10	Digital Library	Ms Brenda Swart <i>Director, Financial and Physical Planning, DHET, and</i> Ms Susan Veldsman <i>Director: Scholarly Publishing Unit, ASSAf</i>
12:10 - 12:30	Summary of the proceedings and actions arising from the Dialogue	Prof Amanda Lourens <i>USAf Research Fellow</i>
CLOSING SESSION Discussion Session Facilitator: Prof Adam Habib <i>Vice-Chancellor and Principal, University of the Witwatersrand, and Chairperson of USAf</i>		
12:30 - 13:30	The Honourable Naledi Pandor, Minister of Science and Technology	
13:30 - 13:45	Closing remarks and vote of thanks	Prof Cheryl de la Rey
14:00 LUNCH AND DEPARTURE		