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DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND INNOVATION

NOTICE 3268 OF 2025

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NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 4 (2) (a) OF THE NATURAL SCIENTIFIC PROFESSIONS ACT, 2003

I, Prof. Blade Emmanuel Nzimande, Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, in accordance with Section 4 (2) (a) of the Natural Scientific Professions Act, 2003, hereby invite interested parties to nominate candidates to be considered for appointment to the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP) Council. The nominations should be submitted to the Department of Science, Technology and Innovation (DSTI) within 30 days from the date of this notice.

Yours sincerely,



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MINISTER OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION
DATE:28 MAY 2025

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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

SACNASP
South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions
Integrity in science

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

The Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation 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 2003).

SACNASP is the regulatory body for natural science practitioners (professional natural scientists, natural scientists in training, natural science technologists and natural science technologists in training) in South Africa. It ensures a high level of professionalism and ethics among South African scientists.

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.

Nominations should be submitted to the Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation by no later than **5 July 2025**. Please email nominations to **Boardappointment1@dsti.gov.za**, accompanied by the candidate's curriculum vitae, including the following information: Full names, identity number, gender, race, current designation and responsibilities, contact details (postal and email addresses, and cellphone and landline numbers), qualifications, current and past service on boards, areas of expertise, and the names and contact details of at least two referees.

Confirmation of the availability of the nominee is also required.

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

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