

ESASTAP AND DST SUPPORT TO FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME



ESASTAP

european - south african science and technology
advancement programme

ESASTAP BACKGROUND

- European-South African Science and Technology Advancement Programme (ESASTAP)
- Implemented by the DST
- A dedicated platform **aimed** at promoting S&T cooperation between SA and the EU, and to address challenges encountered by SA researchers wishing to participate in the European Union Framework Programme



ESASTAP's activities

- **Raising awareness** of FP7 and other EU funded programmes such as ACP, European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP), ERASMUS Mundus
- **Showcasing** SA S&T excellence and innovation in Europe
- **Promoting SA** participation in the activities of the FP7
- Raising awareness of existing and future S&T cooperative initiatives in SA and EU
- **Facilitate SA and the EU meetings** to identify S&T priorities for enhancing cooperation

ESASTAP INSTRUMENTS

- **Awareness-raising & information:**
 - Website: <http://www.esastap.org.za>
 - E-mail updates
 - Brochures
 - Seminars and workshops both local and international

ESASTAP2 INSTRUMENTS...

- **Advisory and support mechanisms:**
 - **Guidance and support** to SA FP participants through dedicated help desks (contact@esastap.org.za)
 - Preparation of SA specific FP **materials** and other instrument guidance notes
 - **Expert** and technical advice by NCPs
 - S&T office in **Brussels**

ESASTAP INSTRUMENTS...

- **Partner-matching service:**
 - Active on the **ESASTAP** website
 - Mobility portal also linked to **EURAXESS**
 - **Dissemination of information** via European and South African networks
 - Dedicated **partner-matching** events
 - NCP facilitated partner matching activities

DST SUPPORT...

- **Marketing of SA S&T excellence**
 - Partner search service on ESASTAP website (mobility portal)
 - Distribution on SA research vacancies in Europe
 - International theme specific events in Europe
 - Distribute **thematic brochures** during international and local events

DST SUPPORT...

- **Financial support**

- **Seed funding** – for SA researchers preparing for participation in FP7, up to **80% of travel expenses**
- **Co-investment funding** – for SA researchers participating in approved FP7 project needing matching funding, **50% of the shortfall**
- Mobility matching fund – for SA researchers participating in approved **IRSES** project, **top up to R 30 000/month/person**
- Support for **COST** participants, **R100 000 of which a maximum of R50 000.00** should be used per visit per institution
- For all instruments the applicant submits a report to the DST within a month

Thank you!

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