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RESEARCHER MOBILITY EVENT

06 DECEMBER 2022

DETAILED EVENT PROGRAM

The Department of Science and Innovation (DSI) through the Strengthening Science, Research and Innovation Cooperation between Europe and South Africa (ESASTAP) will host a Researcher Mobility Side Event to the World Science Forum 2022 under the theme "Science for Social Justice". The Researcher Mobility Side Event will take place on 6 December 2022 in Cape Town.

ESASTAP Information Sharing Session

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The aim of the event is to orientate researchers and innovators on the opportunities available for collaboration between South Africa (SA) and the European Union (EU). The SA – EU Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) opportunities are afforded through the various programmes funded under the Framework Programme (FP) for Research and Innovation (R&I), Horizon Europe. The SA-EU STI opportunities include programmes such as the Cooperation on Science and Technology (COST) and Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) which focus on researcher mobility. The session will include informative presentation on current opportunities, vibrant panel discussions with emerging researchers and information sharing on support instruments available for South African participants.

Research mobility is often overlooked particularly for early career-scientists and their access to centers of excellence in their respective areas of research. Scientists and innovators are becoming more aware of the importance of conducting research that seeks to address societal challenges. Researcher mobility programmes are mechanisms that facilitate the creation of innovative networks and encourage sharing of knowledge and best practice. Through this event, researchers and innovators will get the opportunity to engage and understand how to get involved in the mobility programmes and the support available to assist in creating an enabling environment to engage. For more information on the SA-EU STI programmes visit the website: **www.esastap.org.za**

For enquiries please contact the following officials: Karabo Mphogo and Ntombi Mchuba (**contact@esastap.org.za**)

Event details:

Date: 6 December 2022

Time: 10:00 to 13h30 (Central Africa Time (South Africa) / UTC +2)

Venue: Sunsquare Cape Town City Bowl Hotel (Hybrid)

Registration via the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/dzQitP47k>

Researcher Mobility Session: Side Event to the World Science Forum (WSF) 2022 Programme

Venue: Sun Square Cape Town City Bowl Hotel, Castle Conference Room (Hybrid)

Date: 6 December 2022

Programme Director: Ms Tugela Matubatuba-Dlamini, Director: Strategic Partnerships Department of Science and Innovation (DSI).

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
10:00-10:10	Welcome and Opening	Mr Khaya Sishuba, Director: Overseas Bilateral Cooperation (Europe and The Gulf, DSII)
10:10-10:30	Horizon Europe (Framework Programme)	Dr Piero Venturi, EU Science Counsellor to the African Union, Delegation of the European Union to the African Union
10:30-10:50	Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Mobility (MSCA)	Virtual: Mr Thierry Devars, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, European Commission (EC)
10:50-11:00	<i>Questions and Answers</i>	All
11:00-11:15	<i>Comfort Break</i>	
11:15-11:30	European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST)	Virtual: Mr Mickael Pero Policy Officer, COST Association
11:30-12:00	“Researcher Mobility contribution to Science for Social Justice” Panel session facilitated by Mr Tebogo Mokoma, Deputy Director: Overseas Bilateral Cooperation (Europe and the Gulf)	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience from participating in COST by SA Postgraduate Students• Experience from participating in MSCA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms Robin Bosman, Stellenbosch University – PhD candidate specialising in Wine Biotechnology• Mr Sebastian Orth, Stellenbosch University – PhD candidate at Stellenbosch University specialising in data fusion strategies of visible and near infrared hyperspectral image and utilising advanced chemometric approaches.• Dr Mostafa Moonir Shawrav, Marie Curie Alumni Association (MCAA)• Dr Precious Ekwere, Africa Chapter Chair of The Marie Curie Alumni Association (MCAA)
12:00-12:10	<i>Questions and Answers</i>	<i>All</i>
12:10-12:30	ERASMUS Plus	Ms. Kealeboga Letlhaku Deputy Director: International Scholarships, Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)
12:30-12:40	<i>Questions and Answers</i>	<i>All</i>



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12:40-13:00	ESASTAP Support Engagement facilitated by Ms. Ntombi Mchuba and Ms. Karabo Mphogo , Acting Deputy Directors: Strategic Partnerships, DSI	
13:00-13:15	EURAXESS Africa Network	Dr Ahmed Maalel Region representative for Africa EURAXESS Worldwide
13:15-13:25	<i>Questions and Answers</i>	<i>All</i>
	Closing Remarks	Ms. Tugela Matubatuba Director: Strategic Partnerships, DSI
13:30	<i>Lunch</i>	



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