



NSTF

Call for nominations:

Representative for the Higher Education Sector on the NSTF Executive Committee

Dear NSTF members representatives of the Higher Education Sector,

There is a vacancy on the [Executive Committee \(Exco\)](#) of the [National Science and Technology Forum \(NSTF\)](#) for representation of the [Higher Education Sector](#). We hereby call for your [nominations](#) to fill this position by no later than **Monday, 20 April 2026**.

The Exco consists of representatives from six membership sectors ([Business, Civil Society and Labour](#), [Higher Education](#), [Professional Bodies](#), [Science Councils and Statutory Bodies](#), and [State Owned Enterprises](#)). The Exco also includes honorary and additional members such as government – represented by the Department of Science, Technology and Innovation (DSTI), the National Department of Agriculture (NDA) and the National Advisory Council on Innovation (NACI), as well as the Chairperson. The five directors of the NSTF non-profit company (NPC) are also part of the Exco, which has an oversight role and takes fiduciary responsibility for the NSTF NPC as stipulated by the Memorandum of Incorporation (Mol). The NSTF Executive Director serves on the Exco and Board and directs all activities of the NSTF and secretariat.

Each of the six membership sectors are represented by a main representative and an alternate. [Prof Nnnesi Kgabi](#) from North-West University (NWU), who previously served as the main representative for the higher education sector on the committee, was appointed as Chairperson last year, resulting in an open vacancy for a representative of the [NSTF Higher Education sector](#). The current alternate representative is Dr Priscilla Mensah from Nelson Mandela University (NMU).

Appointments will be decided by the Exco according to suitability and availability of the candidates. [Nominate your candidate/s](#) online by no later than .

Make your vote count and participate in your civil society forum promoting science, engineering, technology (SET) and innovation in South Africa since 1995.

Thank you for your commitment and participation.