

The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf)
cordially invites you to the

**ASSAf Roadshows to South African Universities
and Science Institutions 2021 Series**

BACKGROUND

The COVID-19 pandemic has proved the importance of science advice to government globally. This is evident in the immense work that has been undertaken collaboratively between various scientists, science bodies, policy experts and governments. The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) is working on sustaining its niche, relevance, and influence by bringing transformation in its representation. Historically disadvantaged institutions (HDIs) are critical in the national system of (NSI) and in having more ASSAf Members. The academy is working on identifying Academy ambassadors in different provinces so as to create the awareness and sustainable relationships with various institutions and individuals. These ASSAf online roadshows seek to profile the current Members of ASSAf and bodies that are affiliated to the academy namely the South African Young Academy of Science (SAYAS), the Organisation for Women in Science in the Developing World (OWSD) and The World Academy of Science (TWAS). This will provide a platform for the different stakeholders in the universities and science institutions to engage with the relevant Academy Members in order to understand how they can participate in various activities of ASSAf.

DETAILS

Date: Thursday, 29 July 2021
Time: 09:00 – 10:30
Venue: Zoom
RSVP: Please [click here](#) to register and confirm your attendance by 28 July 2021

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PROGRAMME

Facilitator: Prof Igle Gledhill, University of the Witwatersrand (Wits)

09:00 - 09:20 **Official presentation**, Prof Himla Soodyall, Executive Officer, ASSAf

09:20 - 09:30 **Keynote address**, Prof Nancy Refilwe Phaswana-Mafuya, University of Johannesburg (UJ) & MASSAf

09:30 - 10:05 **Presentations by members of affiliated bodies**

OWSD: Dr Caroline Pule, University of Cape Town (UCT)

SAYAS: Prof Nhlanhla Mpofu, Rhodes University (RU)

TWAS: Prof Iqbal Parker, University of Cape Town (UCT)

10:05 - 10:20 **Q & A (recommendations from participants and speakers)**
All, facilitated by Prof Igle Gledhill, Wits

10:20 - 10:30 **Way forward and closure**, Dr Stanley Maphosa, ASSAf
