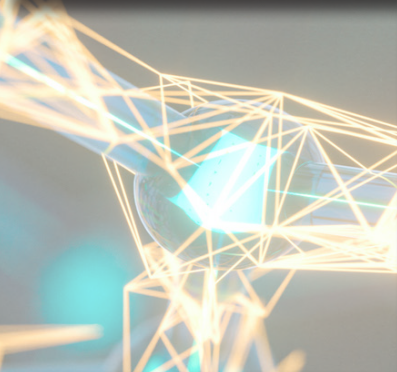




# Launch of AUDA-NEPAD Centre of Excellence in Science, Technology and Innovation



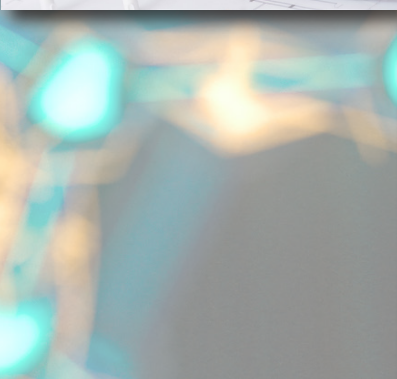
*Partnering to link innovation  
and practice accelerated  
Agenda 2063 implementation*



**22 June 2021**

**10:00 - 12:30 (South African Time)**

**08:00 - 10:30 (GMT)**



## Programme



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| 10:00-10:05 | <b>Session 1: Opening Session</b>  | <b>Ms Khungeka Njobe</b> , Group Executive Business Excellence and Integration CSIR  |
| 10:05-11:05 | <b>Session 2: The AUDA-NEPAD, CSIR and SU Partnership in leveraging innovations to accelerate Agenda 2063 implementation</b> | <p><b>1.1 OPENING STATEMENTS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Dr Thulani Dlamini</b>, CEO CSIR</li> <li><b>Prof Wim de Villiers</b>, Rector and Vice-Chancellor SU</li> <li><b>Dr Ibrahim Mayaki</b>, CEO AUDA-NEPAD + invite the minister</li> </ol> <p><b>1.2 LEADING LAUNCHING STATEMENT</b></p> <p><b>Dr Blade Nzimande</b>, Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation</p> <p>OR</p> <p><b>Ms Grace Naledi Mandisa Pandor</b>, Minister of International Relations and Cooperation</p> <p><b>1.3 TECHNICAL PRESENTATION ON THE AUDA-NEPAD CoE STI AND THE PARTNERSHIP</b></p> <p><b>Mr Martin Bwalya</b>, Ag Director Knowledge Management &amp; Programme Evaluation; AUDA-NEPAD</p>  |
| 11:05-12:25 | <b>Session 3: Opening discussions trigger by specialised interventions by set of panellists</b>                              | <p><b>SESSION 3.1: PANEL DISCUSSION 1:</b> Development Solutions: Home-Grown Innovations in responding to Africa's development challenges</p> <p><b>Moderator: Dr Nico Elema</b>, Manager: Centre for Collaboration in Africa, Stellenbosch University</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Prof Eugene Cloete</b>, Deputy Vice Chancellor Research Innovation and Postgraduate studies; Stellenbosch University</li> <li><b>Mr. Daan to Toit</b>, Deputy Director-General: International Cooperation &amp; Resources. South Africa Department of Science and Innovation (DSI)</li> <li><b>Mr Fari Seye</b>, General Secretary of the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation; Dakar, Senegal</li> <li><b>Dr Seth Awuku Manteaw</b>; Director, Ghana Council for Scientific &amp; Industrial Research (CSIR) – Institute for Scientific &amp; Technological Info (INSTI); Ghana</li> </ol> <p><b>Q&amp;A on session 1</b></p> |



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|             |   | <p><b>SESSION 3.2: PANEL DISCUSSION 2:</b> Experiences with blended public-private collaborations in catalysing accelerated scaling up/commercialisation of innovations along Africa’s development priorities</p> <p><b>Moderator: Dr Ndumiso Cingo</b>, Strategic Partnerships, CSIR, South Africa</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Dr Yaw Bidlake</b>, Founder &amp; CEO, Africa’s Cancer Research, Company, Ghana</li> <li>2. <b>Stafford Masie</b>, Technology entrepreneur &amp; GM at WeWork South Africa</li> <li>3. <b>Dr Denis T. Kyetere</b>, Executive Director, African Agricultural Technology Foundati,n (AATF), Nairobi, Kenya</li> <li>4. <b>Mr Silver Ojakol</b>, Chief of Staff; AfCFTA Secretariat, Africa Trade House</li> </ol> <p><b>Q&amp;A on session 2</b></p> |
| 12:25-12:30 | <b>Session 4: Closing: Synthesis/Next Steps</b> | <p><b>Mr. Martin Bwalya</b><br/><b>Ms. Khungeka Njobe</b></p>   |