

**Enhancing South African-German Scientific Cooperation –
Matchmaking Conference for South African and German Researchers
Hotel School, Ritson Campus, Durban University of Technology (DUT),
28 - 29 May 2015**

Programme Director: **Prof Danie Visser, Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Research and
Internationalisation, University of Cape Town**

Programme

Thursday, 28 May 2015

12h00 Registration and light lunch

13h00 **Welcome Addresses**

Prof Ahmed Bawa, Vice-Chancellor, Durban University of Technology

**Prof Adam Habib, Chairperson, HESA and Vice Chancellor/Principal, University of the
Witwatersrand**

**Prof Wilhelm Löwenstein, Vice-Rector, Ruhr-Universität Bochum in behalf of the
German Rectors' Conference**

13h30 **Keynote Speech**

German-South African Scientific Cooperation: Current Trends and Challenges

SA Department of Science and Technology (speaker to be confirmed)

14h00	Workshop Session I Workshop 1: Environment / Ecology / Biodiversity Workshop 2: Health Workshop 3: Biotechnology and Life Sciences Workshop 4: Economics Workshop 5: Engineering Workshop 6: Chemistry / Physics / Mathematics Workshop 7: Earth Sciences Workshop 8: Law Workshop 9: Political and Social Transformation
16h00	Tea/Coffee Break
16h30	Introduction to South African Funding Schemes for Joint Research (National Research Foundation) Ms Prudence Makhura , Director: International Relations and Cooperation, NRF
17h30	Introduction to German Funding Schemes for Joint Research (DAAD, BMBF etc.) Philina Wittke , Director, DAAD Information Centre, Johannesburg
	End of Day 1
18h30	Dinner

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08h30	Introduction to EU Funding Schemes for Joint Research (Horizon 2020) Ms Tugela Matubatuba, Deputy Director: EU Partnerships, International Cooperation and Resources Programme, SA Department of Science and Technology
09h00	Workshop Session II
11h00	Tea/Coffee Break
11h30	Closing Plenary: Feedback from Matchmaking Workshops Chair Prof Danie Visser, Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Research and Internationalisation, University of Cape Town Thomas Böhm, Head of Section, Africa and Middle East, German Rectors' Conference
12h45	Way Forward Prof Adam Habib, Chairperson, HESA and Vice Chancellor/Principal, University of the Witwatersrand Prof Wilhelm Löwenstein, Vice-Rector, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
13h00	Lunch End of the Conference