

GENERAL NOTICES • ALGEMENE KENNISGEWINGS**DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY****NOTICE 521 OF 2019****CALL FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO SERVE ON THE HUMAN SCIENCES RESEARCH COUNCIL BOARD**

The Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC) has vacant positions on its Board. The Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology hereby invites interested parties to nominate candidates to be considered for appointment to the HSRC Board in line with section 5 of the HSRC Act, 2008 (Act No. 17 of 2008).

The objects of the Council are (a) to initiate, undertake and foster strategic basic research and applied research in human science, and to gather, analyse and publish data relevant to developmental challenges in South Africa, elsewhere in Africa and in the rest of the world, especially by means of projects linked to public sector-oriented collaborative programmes; (b) to inform the effective formulation and monitoring of policy and to evaluate the implementation of policy; (c) to stimulate public debate through the effective dissemination of fact-based result of research; (d) to help build research capacity and infrastructure for the human sciences in South Africa and elsewhere in Africa; (e) to foster and support research collaboration, networks and institutional linkages within the human sciences research community (f) to respond to the needs of vulnerable and marginalised groups in society by researching and analysing developmental problems, thereby contributing to the improvement of the quality of their lives; and (g) to develop and make publicly available new data sets to underpin research policy development and public discussion of the key issues of development, and to develop new improved methodologies for use in their development.

In terms of section 5(2) of the Act, the Board will consist of (a) a chairperson; (b) not less than six and not more than nine members; and (c) the Chief Executive Officer, who is a member of the Board by virtue of his or her office.

The new members of the Board will be appointed in their personal capacity and serve on a part-time basis for the remainder of the four-year period, which ends on 31 October 2021. Allowances will be in accordance with the National Treasury's guidelines for remuneration.

The Board vacancies to be filled require advanced qualifications, experience and/or or skills in (a) economics, and (b) democracy and service delivery, (c) social science research community in the rest of Africa which are aspects of the functions of the Council. Nominations should clearly indicate in which of these categories the nominee falls.

Nominations should be submitted to the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology by no later than 30 October 2019.

Relevant curricula vitae for nominated candidates should be provided, including the following information: identity number; gender; race; designation and responsibilities; contact details (postal and email addresses, cellular and landline numbers); qualifications and field; current and past service on boards; areas of expertise; and the names and contact details of at least two referees.

Confirmation of the availability of the nominee is also required.

Nominations may be sent to the Director-General of Science and Innovation, for the attention of Ms Thato Dube, in one of the following ways:

- By post to the Department of Science and Innovation, Private Bag X894, Pretoria, 0001.
- By hand to the Department of Science and Innovation, Building 53, CSIR (Scientia) Campus, Meiring Naudé Road, Brummeria, Pretoria.
- By email to thato.dube@dst.gov.za.

NB: Nominations will not be considered unless all the above requirements are met. Correspondence will be entered into with shortlisted candidates only.

Enquiries: Thato Dube at 012 843 6363