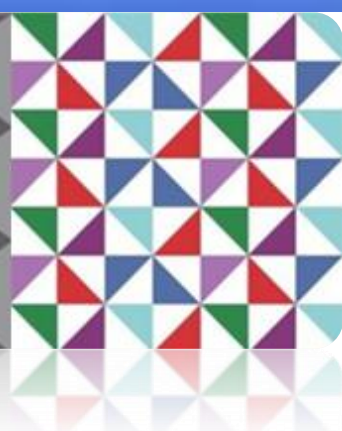




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LAUNCH OF THE DUT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CLUSTER

INVITATION AND A CALL TO PITCH PROJECTS

The office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research Innovation and Engagement is launching a Community Engagement Cluster for DUT. The Community Engagement Cluster will form part of the Engagement Portfolio and will facilitate collaborations between DUT staff, students, as well as alumnus and the community for meaningful community engagements.

Applications are sought from DUT's academic and professional staff members to show case community engagement projects within DUT during the launch. The top three projects showcased will receive seed funding they can use towards their projects.

PRIZES:

R15 000 for 1st prize, R10 000 for 2nd prize and R5 000 for 3rd prize

The launch will be hosted as follows:

Date

Tuesday, 20 November 2018

Time

11:30 – 15:00

Venue

DUT's Conference Centre, Hotel School, Rikson Campus

RSVP

Click [HERE](#) to RSVP before Friday, 02 November 2018

Enquires

Contact Zenande Ndakisa via email on ZenandeN@dut.ac.za or telephone on 031 373 2577/3007

Applicants that will showcase community engagement projects are required to complete the application form provided and submit it before the deadline of the 2 November 2018. In the form, applicants are required to reflect whether the project is by an individual faculty member or by a team, prepare a project outline of not more than 300 words with a brief description about the project. If there were partners, list them and give an overview of the partnership. Provide a summary of potential outcomes or impact for the community, partners and the University. During the launch applicants will be invited to pitch where they will be given 10 minutes to present their projects. Applicants are encouraged to include their community representative in the pitching process. The selection panel will determine the successful projects at the end of the pitching process.

ELIGIBILITY

This opportunity is open to all DUT faculties, full-time or fractional academic and professional staff members employed by DUT, on a continuing or fixed-term basis. There is no limit to the number of projects each faculty or staff member can pitch.

KEY DATES

Applications open, 19 October 2018.

Applications close COB, 02 November 2018.

Applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application by COB, 09 November 2018.

Applicants will be invited to pitch their projects on Tuesday, 20 November 2018.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Projects will be assessed on the basis of:

- evidence of an identified need;
- the ability to meet the test of mutual benefit, including demonstration of support from the project partner(s);
- the potential to foster continued relationships with partners following the completion of the project;
- the project's alignment to the strategic goals of the University as outlined in the strategic plan;
- the project's ability to be sustained and/or scaled up into a larger engagement initiative;
- applicability of the expected outcomes and impact.
- All prizes won must be spent within 12 months from the date received.
- The winners are expected to submit a report detailing how the funds were spent.

ADVICE TO APPLICANTS

- The Selection Panel encourages applicants to consider innovative projects that are cross-disciplinary in nature.
- Some proposals, despite their inherent merit, may be deemed by the Selection Panel to be more appropriately funded from other sources in the University, particularly if they are deemed to be a regular part of university activities.

DUE DATE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

Applications should be submitted online via this [LINK](#) by COB, 02 November 2018.