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REFERENCE: INFORMATION LETTER EXHIBITORS-NAST NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2026

10 APRIL 2026

**RE: NAST NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2026 – 14-17 JULY 2026,
HTS/THS WITBANK, eMalaheni, Mpumalanga**

To:

Universities, Tertiary Institutions, Training Centers, Industry Stakeholders, and Education Service Providers who are specializing in technical and vocational education.

Dear Exhibitors,

This letter serves as communication to all exhibitors interested in and wishing to participate in the NAST National Conference 2026, taking place from **Tuesday, 14 July 2026** (registration and accreditation), **to Friday, 17 July 2026**.

This conference is proudly supported and sponsored by School Governing Bodies (SGBs), Provincial Departments of Education, the Department of Basic Education (DBE), and various sponsors and exhibitors.

Important Information for Exhibitors – NAST National Conference 2026

Conference Dates: 14 July –17 July 2026

Venue: HTS/THS Witbank, **eMalaheni, Mpumalanga**

Please take careful note of the following logistical information to assist with your planning and preparation for the NAST National Conference 2026:

This prestigious national event serves as a vital platform for stakeholders in technical and vocational education to connect, collaborate, and showcase innovations that contribute to the growth of skills development in South Africa. The exhibition component of the conference provides a unique opportunity for institutions/organizations/centers like yours to **network, demonstrate your programs, technologies, services, and partnerships** that are driving progress in the technical education stream.

We also wish to formally **request your support and endorsement**, encouraging departments and institutions under your jurisdiction to attend and engage in this impact event. Your support in promoting participation will greatly strengthen inter-sector collaboration and policy alignment in technical education.

As an Exhibitor, You Will:

- ❖ Have a choice OF 4 (four) different exhibitors' packages and options to choose from.
- ❖ Gain direct access to decision-makers in education and training.
- ❖ Network with key provincial and national stakeholders.
- ❖ Showcase your services, networking, technologies, and innovations to a target audience.
- ❖ Be recognized as a thought leader and strategic partner in the development of technical education.

We encourage institutions and service providers to book exhibition space early, as spots are limited. Details regarding exhibition packages are mentioned below for your consideration. Set-up logistics and sponsorship opportunities can be provided upon request.

To register as an exhibitor, see attached application form. NO LATER THAN 22 MAY 2026.

Details of the exhibitors' costs and total payment required are included below.

Kindly ensure that payment is made by **19 June 2026** to the banking account provided.

Quotations can be issued upon request—please email the NAST: National General Secretary as soon as possible lodewykwa1@gmail.com

If your institution requires **a formal invoice**, kindly request this promptly to avoid delays also to lodewykwa1@gmail.com

To receive more information, please contact us or contact Wimpie Lodewyk 0823397063.

Exhibitor Packages: NAST National Conference 2026

Gold Exhibitor Package – R15,000

- 5m x 3m exhibition space with branded backdrop with table and 3 chairs.
- 3 complimentary exhibitor's passes. (includes access to conference sessions, all meals and refreshments included - **PLEASE NOTE NO ACCOMMODATION**).
- Prime location near high-traffic areas (entrance, catering, or stage).
- Shared power outlet and Wi-Fi access.
- Have the opportunity to present and advertise your promotional material and program on stage for **15 minutes** on a specific day as planned by organizers.
- Name/logo listed in the conference program and website.
- Name/logo on promotional materials and signage.
- Opportunity to include promotional material in delegate packs.
- Tea/coffee and lunch for 3 representatives daily and social/network function included.

Silver Exhibitor Package – R10 000,000

- 5m x 3m exhibition space with branded backdrop with table and 2 chairs.
- 2 complimentary exhibitor's passes. (includes access to conference sessions, all meals and refreshments included - **PLEASE NOTE NO ACCOMMODATION**).
- Prime location near high-traffic areas (entrance, catering, or stage).
- Shared power outlet and Wi-Fi access.
- Have the opportunity to present and advertise your promotional material and program on stage for **10 minutes** on a specific day as planned by organizers.
- Name/logo listed in the conference program and website.
- Name/logo on promotional materials and signage.
- Opportunity to include promotional material in delegate packs.
- Tea/coffee and lunch for 2 representatives daily and social/network function included.

Bronze Exhibitor Package – R5,000

- 5m x 3m exhibition space with branded backdrop with table and 2 chairs.
 - 2 complimentary exhibitor passes (includes access to conference sessions, all meals and refreshments included - **PLEASE NOTE NO ACCOMMODATION**).
 - Name/logo listed in the conference program and website.
 - Electrical outlet access.
 - Free Wi-Fi access.
 - Tea/coffee and lunch for 2 representatives daily and social/network function included.
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NAST Discounted Package – R3,500

- 5m x 3m exhibition space with table and 1 chair.
- 1 exhibitor pass. (includes access to conference sessions, all meals and refreshments included - **PLEASE NOTE NO ACCOMMODATION**).
- Shared power outlet and Wi-Fi access.
- Tea/coffee and lunch for 1 representative daily and social/network function included.

Optional Add-Ons:

- Additional Exhibitor Pass: **R 1500 per person**
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How to Book

To reserve your exhibition space, please complete the **Exhibitor Application Form** (attached document) **NO LATER THAN 22 MAY 2026**. Final payment with **proof of payment** send to lodewykwa1@gmail.com must be **NO LATER THAN 19 JUNE 2026**.

Space will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

We sincerely hope you will join us in advancing the national dialogue on skills development and supporting a brighter future for technical education in South Africa.

We kindly request that you:

- ✧ Nominate an official/exhibitor staff member from your organization/institution/business/Centre who represent you for communication purposes.
- ✧ Provide us with contact details for future communication ASAP.

Attached you will find **important information** to assist you and us in our final planning/organization and arrangements, the information below will assist in draft program.

Important information that will assist with your pre-planning:

Stall Setup

- ❖ All exhibitors are required to set up their stalls on Tuesday, **14 July 2026**, between **09:00 and 12:00** at the conference venue (HTS/THS WITBANK).
- ❖ All displays **must be fully set up and operational by 12:00**, as delegate registration begins promptly at **12:00**.
- ❖ We will make every effort to place all exhibitors **inside the main conference venue (school hall)**. However, if space is limited, priority will be given to exhibitors **who registered first**. Exhibitors will be allocated space in the **area allocated to the exhibitors**.

Note: Accommodation is NOT included

- ❖ **Electricity:** Shared power outlets will be available. Please bring your own **extension cords/multi-plugs** to ensure sufficient power access.
- ❖ **Wi-Fi:** Free Wi-Fi will be available inside the school hall (main conference venue).
- ❖ **Branding Rights:** Your business/institution **name and logo will appear** in the official conference programme and on the event website.

Promotional Materials

- ❖ You may include promotional items in the delegate registration packs.
- ❖ If you wish to take advantage of this opportunity, **all promotional material must be delivered to:**

**Mr. Wimpie Lodewyk,
HTS/THS WITBANK,
NO LATER THAN - Monday, 13 July 2026 at 12:00**

Please **contact Mr. Lodewyk in advance** to confirm delivery and coordination – Tel/WhatsApp: **082 339 7063**

Social/Network function

- ❖ All exhibitors are invited to attend the social/network function with conference delegates:
- ❖ **Date:** Tuesday, 14 July 2026
- ❖ **Time:** 18:30
- ❖ **Venue:** HTS/THS WITBANK SCHOOL HALL
- ❖ **Dress Code:** Casual

Note: A cash bar will be available. You may not bring your own refreshments.

Confirmation required:

Please confirm the **number of exhibitor representatives** attending the **SOCIAL/NETWORK FUNCTION** (from those holding exhibitor passes) by **WhatsApp** to Mr. Wimpie Lodewyk (**082 339 7063**) no later than: **6 July 2026 at 14:00**. Include your **company/business/institution name** and the **number of attendees**

Contact for Assistance

Should you require any assistance on the day, or have specific setup needs or questions, please do not hesitate to contact: Mr. **Wimpie Lodewyk** Tel/WhatsApp: 082 339 7063

Additional information you may need:

DATES & DAILY PROGRAMME

Exhibitors will proudly market their individual products, programme, and information to delegates throughout the four (4) days.

- **Day 1 – Tuesday, 14 July 2026**
Registration & accreditation: 12:00 – 17:00
Social function Event: 18:30
 - **Day 2 – Wednesday, 15 July 2026 (08:30 - 18:00)**
Presentations, Panel Discussions, and Subject Breakaway Sessions
 - **Day 3 – Thursday, 16 July 2026 (08:30 - 19:00)**
Excursion: Visits sites to training centers, factory, mines, schools, and tertiary institutions & NAST
General Meeting
 - **Day 4 – Friday, 17 July 2026 (08:30 - 14:00)**
Presentation, Motivational Speaker & Closing Event
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Final Programme:

Please refer to **Annexure A** for the full programme.

MEALS

- ✧ **Tea Breaks & Lunches:** Served at the conference venue
 - ✧ **Day 3 Lunch (Excursion):** Provided on the bus
 - ✧ **Suppers:** Provided at accommodation venues
 - ✧ **Social function:** Tuesday, 14 July 2026 at HTS/THS WITBANK
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TRANSPORT

- Transport between the accommodation and the conference venue is the responsibility of each delegate/exhibitor.
- **Excursion Day – 16 July 2026:**
Buses will pick up delegates at 09:00 from HTS/THS WITBANK.

Exhibitors are welcome to board the buses should they wish to participate in the excursion visits to the various venues.

Exhibitors are kindly requested to confirm the number of their representatives who will be joining the excursion site visits at the registration table.

Note: Private transport is strictly not allowed for the excursion.

CONTACT PERSON

Conference Coordinator/Organizer:

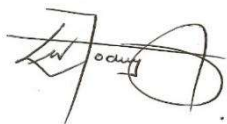
Mr. Wimpie Lodewyk – 082 339 7063

Any further instructions or updates will be communicated **before 30 June 2026**, if necessary. Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Lodewyk.

Kindly ensure all delegates and possible exhibitors you know receive this information.

Thank you once again for your cooperation and support. We look forward to welcoming you to a successful and enriching conference.

Yours faithfully,



W.A. LODEWYK

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Annexure A

NAST CONFERENCE 2026 – Draft Programme

Date: 14–17 July 2026

Venue: HTS/THS Witbank & Excursion Sites

Tuesday, 14 July 2026 (12:00 – 22:00) – Arrival Day

12:00 – 17:00 – Arrival and Registration (THS Witbank)

19:00– Welcome Social/networking Function (THS Witbank)

Notes:

Check-in at the registration desk upon arrival.

Welcome function includes refreshments and informal networking.

DAY 1 – Wednesday, 15 July 2026 (09:00 – 18:00) – Opening Day

Morning Sessions (09:00 – 12:30 – Session 1 & 2)

Session 1

09:00 – 10:30 – Welcome & Opening Keynote Speech (Main Hall)

10:30 – 11:00 – Tea Break

Session 2

11:00 – 12:30 – Presentations (2 x 45 mins)

11:00 – 11:45: Presentation 1

11:45 – 12:30: Presentation 2

12:30 – 13:00: Announcements on programme

13:00 – 14:00 – Lunch (HTS/THS Witbank Cafeteria / designated area)

Afternoon Sessions (14:00 – 18:00 – Sessions 3 & 4)

Session 3

14:00 – 15:30 – Breakaway Sessions

(All Specializations + EGD + Tech Math & Science)

15:30 – 16:00: Tea Break

Session 4

16:00 – 18:00: Report back from sessions / plenary panel discussion

18:00 – Departure to accommodations

Notes:

Breakaway sessions will be held in assigned classrooms or halls.

Session chairpersons and scribes will be announced.

Materials for each session will be available on tables.

Groups will determine the repartees from each group.

Program director will chair the panel discussions on the report back

DAY 2 – Thursday, 16 July 2026 (09:00 – 18:30) – Excursion Day & Members meeting

Morning Sessions (09:00 – 12:30 – Session 5)

Session 5

09:00 – 10:00– Session 5: Opening & Organizational Announcements

10:00 – 15:30– Excursion Visits

10:00 – 10:30: Departure by bus to excursion sites

10:30 – 12:30: Excursion visits – Part 1

12:30 – 13:00: Lunch at excursion points

Afternoon Sessions (13:45 – 15:30 – Session 6 & 7 & 8)

Session 6

13:45 – 15:30: Excursion visits – Part 2

Session 7

17:00 – 18:30: **NAST Members Meeting (School Hall)**

18:30 – Departure to accommodations

Notes:

Buses will depart and stop again from/at HTS/THS Witbank;

Dress comfortably for excursions; wear appropriate safety gear if required.

Bring water and snacks for the day.

DAY 3 – Friday, 17 July 2026 (09:00 – 14:00) Closing Day

Sessions (09:00 – 14:00 – Session 8)

09:00 – 09:30: Opening & Organizational Announcements

09:30 – 10:30: Presentation 3

10:30 – 11:00: Tea Break

11:30 – 12:30: Motivational Speaker

12:30: Closing & Way Forward

13:15 – 14:00 – Lunch

14:00 – Departure



NAST NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2026
Exhibitor Application Form
14 July – 17 July 2026 | eMalahleni (Witbank)

Please complete the information and details in this Word document.

ORGANISATION DETAILS

Company/Organization Name:

Contact Person:

Position/Title:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Physical Address:

Website (if applicable):

EXHIBITOR PACKAGE OPTIONS (Please select one)

Please tick (✓) your preferred exhibitor option below:

Copy this symbol and paste in in select column below



Option	Package Description	Cost (ZAR)	Select
A	<p><u>Gold Exhibitor Package – R15,000</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 5m x 3m exhibition space with branded backdrop with table and 3 chairs. ➤ 3 complimentary exhibitor’s passes. (includes access to conference sessions, all meals and refreshments included - PLEASE NOTE NO ACCOMMODATION). ➤ Prime location near high-traffic areas (entrance, catering, or stage). ➤ Shared power outlet and Wi-Fi access. ➤ Have the opportunity to present and advertise your promotional material and program on stage for <u>15 minutes</u> on a specific day as planned by organizers. ➤ Name/logo listed in the conference program and website. ➤ Name/logo on promotional materials and signage. ➤ Opportunity to include promotional material in delegate packs. ➤ Tea/coffee and lunch for 3 representatives daily and social/network function included 	R15,000	
B	<p><u>Silver Exhibitor Package – R10 000,000</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 5m x 3m exhibition space with branded backdrop with table and 2 chairs. ➤ 2 complimentary exhibitor’s passes. (includes access to conference sessions, all meals and refreshments included - PLEASE NOTE NO ACCOMMODATION). ➤ Prime location near high-traffic areas (entrance, catering, or stage). ➤ Shared power outlet and Wi-Fi access. ➤ Have the opportunity to present and advertise your promotional material and program on stage for <u>10 minutes</u> on a specific day as planned by organizers. ➤ Name/logo listed in the conference program and website. ➤ Name/logo on promotional materials and signage. ➤ Opportunity to include promotional material in delegate packs. ➤ Tea/coffee and lunch for 2 representatives daily and social/network function included. 	R10,000	

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EXHIBITION REQUIREMENTS

Please indicate any additional needs (subject to availability):

Power Supply: Yes No

Exhibitors will be responsible for providing their own tablecloths

Other (please specify):

COMPANY PROFILE (for Conference Booklet)

Please provide a short description of your organization (max 100 words):

Our organization...

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- * **Acceptance of application: No later than 22 May 2026.**
- * Exhibition fees are payable upon acceptance of your application.
- * Space is limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.
- * **Full payment** is required by **19 June 2026** to secure your space.
- * Exhibitors are responsible for transporting and managing their materials.
- * **Cancellations after 20 June 2026 are non-refundable.**

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Quotations can be issued upon request—please email the NAST: National General Secretary as soon as possible lodewykwa1@gmail.com

If your institution requires a formal invoice, kindly request this promptly to avoid delays also to lodewykwa1@gmail.com

Banking details will be provided upon acceptance of your application and upon receipt of the formal invoice.

THE ONLY PAYMENT METHODs ARE:

EFT

DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, confirm that the information provided is correct and I agree with the terms and conditions above.

Name:

Signature: Electronic signature

Date:

Submit this form via email to:

 **Save the completed application in PDF format for protection by naming the document with the organization/institution name.**

 lodewykwa1@gmail.com

 For queries, contact: Mr. Wimpie Lodewyk **082 339 7063**