CALL FOR PROPOSALS
AFRICAN LASER CENTRE
2017 RESEARCH COLLABORATION PROGRAM

The African Laser Centre is a NEPAD flagship initiative and is funded by the Department of Science and Technology through their Africa Multilateral Cooperation program. CSIR National Laser Centre (NLC), a key node of the African Laser Centre (ALC), and the Department of Science and Technology (DST) would like to take this opportunity to introduce the ALC research collaboration program and to invite proposals from the ALC members and other interested parties for research collaboration support.

The grant scheme focus on the promotion of Laser and laser-related research on the African continent, with the purpose to stimulate and grow laser research programs within the African continent. The main aim of this program is to establish research capabilities on the African continent and to support human capacity building in laser based sciences. The fund will allow research collaborations and student/researcher exchanges for participating institutes. The fund also makes provision for limited support on consumables required for research projects. The research collaborations supported under this Grant Scheme should be between a South African research team and an African research team, outside the borders of South Africa.

The program has Masters, Doctoral and Post-doctoral studies as key drivers and focus on laser related research. Applications will be evaluated in line with the approved ALC research guidelines.

A guideline document is available from nlcrentalpool@csir.co.za which provide eligibility criteria, as well as information on what can qualify for funding support.

Please extend this invitation to all researchers in Physics, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Environmental Chemistry, Engineering, Agricultural, Physiotherapy, Somatology, Medical, Biomedical and other relevant faculties within your institution.
Important dates are:

Opening of the call: 27 June 2016

Closing of the call: 31 August 2016

The following documents are available for prospective applicants:

- General Guidelines on Eligibility for Support for Research Collaboration within the 2017 DST-ALC Project Grant;
- For NEW projects: ALC R&D Collaboration application form for 2017;

All applications must be signed, scanned and electronically submitted to the CSIR National Laser Centre by e-mail, using the following e-mail address:

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