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ANNOUNCEMENT

THE SOUTH AFRICAN TECHNOLOGY NETWORK (SATN) IS NOW THE TECHNOLOGICAL HIGHER EDUCATION NETWORK SOUTH AFRICA (THENSA)

We are proud to announce the change of name of the SATN to **THENSA as of 1 January 2021**. The name change comes after the decision by the SATN Board to reposition and rebrand the SATN as THENSA. This was a result of the collective commitment of our member institutions to address the challenges and opportunities that the sector has to respond to.

Having reviewed our vision, mission, strategic goals and objectives, we believe that we are on course to deliver on the goals we have set out for ourselves over the next five years. At the heart of our model are the values of *quality* and *sustainability* in everything that we do. We aspire to be recognised for our technological focus and our capacity for teamwork to ensure that we constantly aim to respond to our local and global challenges

Our collaboration with Business and Industry has also added to our strength and credentials. We believe that this change in name is just a formal introduction to the advancements we have made over the years. Our service and excellence shall not change with name and the only change we endeavour to make shall be towards improvement and development. Making a positive contribution to community wellbeing, education, and the employability of at-risk groups, remain at the top of our priorities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues, the Vice-Chancellors of the eleven member institutions, our associate members, international partners, and strategic partners for their contributions towards the development and repositioning of the organisation to meet the challenges of the new decade.

May I take this opportunity to introduce you to the Chairperson, of the Board of Directors, Prof Lourens Van Staden.

I wish to, on behalf of the Chairperson of THENSA, and the Board of Directors thank all our partners, service providers and members our organisation for their long-standing support. We look forward to an exciting partnership going forward and highly appreciate you sharing this information with your staff and organisation.

We will continuously update you on our initiatives, projects and events and any other relevant information. I invite you to visit our website at www.thensa.co.za.

Please also take note that THENSA is registered as a Non-Profit Company with Company Number: 2020/842028/08.



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