

**Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other  
Developing Countries (NAM S&T Centre)**

and

**UNESCO UNISA Africa Chair  
on Nanosciences And Nanotechnology (U2ACN2)**

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**NAM S&T Centre – U2ACN2 Research Associateship in  
Nanosciences & Nanotechnology (2015)**

**Announcement**

In line with its resolute efforts to promote South-South and North-South cooperation in science and technology, the Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Centre) has instituted a number of Fellowship schemes that are aimed at supporting the deserving young scientists in the developing countries to establish closer linkages with the Centres of Excellence located in various countries, thereby facilitating the affiliation of these researchers with the academic and scientific institutions such as the Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Ecology (ZMT) in Bremen, Germany; International Centre for Chemical and Biological Sciences (ICCBS), H.E.J. Research Institute of Chemistry in Karachi, Pakistan; Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) in Mysore, India; MINTEK, South Africa through the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of South Africa; and Indian scientific and academic Centres of Excellence through the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India.

The NAM S&T Centre [[www.namstct.org](http://www.namstct.org)] is now pleased to announce yet another scheme, titled '*NAM S&T Centre – U2ACN2 Research Associateship in Nanosciences & Nanotechnology*', jointly with the UNESCO UNISA Africa Chair in Nanosciences & Nanotechnology (U2ACN2), University of South Africa, Pretoria, South Africa [[www.unisa.ac.za](http://www.unisa.ac.za)]. The objective of the Research Associateship is to provide opportunities to the scientists and researchers from the developing countries to affiliate themselves with senior researchers in U2ACN2, University of South Africa to undertake training and upgrading their research skills in the various fields related to Nanosciences and Nanotechnology.

Five Research Associateships each year are available for duration of 2 to 3 months and are awarded to only one scientist each from any given developing country in each given year on a strictly competitive basis based on the applicant's academic and professional background, proposed Plan of Work and the mutual research interests of the applicant and U2ACN2. The offer may be renewed for a researcher for a second term depending on the availability of funds and subject to receiving satisfactory reports.

Under this scheme, U2ACN2, University of South Africa will provide free local hospitality (food and accommodation), and an amount of US \$300.00 per month for incidental local expenses, as well as the necessary research facilities to the selected Research Associates.

The NAM S&T Centre will pay the return international airfare from the home country to Pretoria, South Africa only to the selected Research Associates from those member countries of the NAM S&T Centre or members of the NAM S&T – Industry Network, which have no outstanding dues towards the annual membership subscription to the Centre. [List of member countries and members of the NAM S&T – Industry Network is available in the Centre’s website [www.namstct.org](http://www.namstct.org)]. Researchers from the countries which are not the member of the NAM S&T Centre, or which have outstanding dues against their membership, will be required to bear their own internal fare. Preference in selection will however be given to the applicants from the member countries of the NAM S&T Centre.

Copies of the guidelines for the Research Associateship and the application form are **attached** (also available at the Centre’s Website [www.namstct.org](http://www.namstct.org)). Applications recommended by the parent institution of the applicant and endorsed by the Focal Point of the NAM S&T Centre in the country may be submitted to the Centre by email ([namstcentre@gmail.com](mailto:namstcentre@gmail.com)) in the relevant format. The contact details of the Focal Points of the NAM S&T centre in its member countries may be seen in its website [www.namstct.org](http://www.namstct.org).

Applications are invited in the prescribed format for the Joint NAM S&T Centre – U2ACN2 Research Associateship in Nanosciences & Nanotechnology for the year 2015. **The last date for submitting application for the Fellowship is Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015.**