

Call for Expression of Interest to collaborate and contribute towards research, innovation and skills development in Sentech's Centres of Innovation in institutions of higher learning.

Sentech is in the business of telecommunications, broadcasting and networking infrastructure and solutions. As part of Sentech's digital future we have embarked on developing capacity for 5G and beyond, cloud computing, virtualized infrastructure, data-driven operating model and machine learning.

SENTECH Research and Innovation Department (R&I) aims to fund, facilitate, foster and further develop such centers of excellence with interested parties interested in partnering with Sentech in this endeavor. As part of developing the next generation of pioneering business leaders, the company seeks to promote technical excellence and quality of service delivery.

Part of the strategy is to increase capacity and critical mass in research, innovation and skills development around the wave of fourth industrial revolution (4IR) by collaborating with academia, suppliers, customers and other interested stakeholders. In this regard, Sentech is already funding several institutes of higher learning, which we will refer to as Sentech Centres of Excellence. We are in the process of establishing a bespoke structure that will coordinate activities between interested parties and Sentech.

SENTECH is seeking:

- Sentech technology suppliers,
- Sentech customers or potential customers, and
- Other interested stakeholders of all kinds

Interested parties are required to provide the following information as part of the expression of interest:

Requirement Guideline:

- Reasons for their interest to partner with Sentech and contemplated or envisaged objectives
- Areas of interest
- Indicative or envisage type of contributions

Focus Area:

- 5G and beyond and the future of networks
- Cloud computing and infrastructure virtualization
- Internet of things
- Data analytics and artificial intelligence
- Interactive media services
- Industrial and manufacturing autonomous systems
- Automobile
- 4IR use cases for health, education, agriculture, environment, etc.
- Smart places and environments and use cases for health, educational, agricultural, environmental

Note: Sentech reserves the right to appoint as per their strategic objective

- By agreeing to the terms of this consent form, I hereby voluntarily authorize Sentech to verify the information provided for purposes of Evaluating potential Partners for Centres of Excellence.
- SENTECH undertakes to treat all information with confidentiality.

Applications should be emailed to: Queries.Innovation@sentech.co.za

Enquiries: klopperw@sentech.co.za

NB: Closing date for questions is 13 August 2021 @12H00

The deadline is administrative and interested parties may submit their interest even after the deadline. However, Sentech cannot guarantee to be able to entertain or timeously entertain the expression of interest after the deadline.