



South African Sanitation Technology Demonstration Programme (SASTEP): Open Call Calling future sanitation entrepreneurs and industrialists.

The South African Sanitation Technology Evaluation Programme (SASTEP) is an initiative funded by the Department of Science and Technology (DST) and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), with the Water Research Commission (WRC) providing programme implementation and support services. The programme aims to foster a local sanitation industry (manufacturing and services) that would increase access to proper sanitation, reduce pollution, improve water security, create jobs and entrepreneurial opportunities and contribute to the country's GDP.

The programme is aligned to the Department of Trade & Industry (DTI) Industrial Policy Action Plan (IPAP) strategy to address commercialisation, localisation and manufacturing by bringing on board capable commercial partners to provide an industrial support base for the local and regional markets. The intent of the programme is to support and accelerate the application and uptake of the new sanitation technologies through demonstration, testing and science-based improvements towards localisation and industrialisation.

As part of this disruptive sanitation space we are seeking to establish a database of potential and interested entrepreneurs and future industrialists who would wish to invest, participate and drive a new industry and economy. Selected entrepreneurs will be matched with innovative sanitation solutions and technologies that are ready for commercialisation and will be supported to develop commercialisation strategies and revenue models that will assist with attracting funding for localisation and manufacturing.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Any South African entrepreneur/organisation who:

- Is motivated to create a new industry
- Has the resources and motivation to take innovation to market
- Demonstrates good business acumen and strategy
- Is willing to invest financially
- Will be willing to establish an industrial platform.

APPLICATION

Applicant should download the questionnaire from the WRC website:

<http://wrcwebsite.azurewebsites.net/mdocs-posts/future-sanitation-entrepreneurs-and-industrialists-scan-questionnaire/future-sanitatio...-questionnaire-2/>

Completed questionnaire to be submitted to: rowenac@wrc.org.za by no later than Friday, June 28, 2019 by the close of business (16h00). Late applications will not be considered.

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