



You are cordially invited to the

Frontiers Planet Prize – Second Edition Webinar (South Africa)

hosted by the Science Advisory and Strategic Partnerships of the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf)

Date: **Thursday, 14 September 2023**
Time: **15:30 to 17:00 (SAST)**
Register: [Click here to register](#)
Venue: **Zoom (link to be provided upon registration)**

PURPOSE OF THE WEBINAR

- To showcase the role of ASSAf in promoting scholarly excellence.
- Showcase the Frontiers Planet Prize as ASSAf International Partnership.
- Raise equitable institutional awareness about the Frontiers Prize.
- To workshop all the National Nominating Bodies on the nomination and selection processes for the prize.
- To highlight opportunities and rewards associated with winning the prize.

PROGRAMME

Facilitator: Aluwani Ramulifho, Programme Officer: Climate Change, Environment & Energy, ASSAf

15:30 – 15:40	Welcoming Remarks: Academy role in showcasing scholarly achievement and excellence Prof Stephanie Burton , Vice-President: ASSAf Council
15:40 – 16:00	Introduction to the Frontiers Planet Prize Dr Jean-Claude Burgelman , Director: Frontiers Planet Prize
16:00 – 16:10	National Representative Body: processing of SA nominations Dr Melusi Thwala , Manager: Science Advisory and Strategic Partnerships, ASSAf
16:10 – 16:20	International Champion of the Frontiers Planet Prize 2023 Prof Mark New , University of Cape Town
16:20 – 16:50	Questions and Answers Session Moderator: A Ramulifho
16:50 – 17:00	Vote of Thanks & Closing Prof Stephanie Burton , Vice-President: ASSAf Council

FRONTIERS PLANET PRIZE

The Frontiers Planet Prize (mobilizing science for a global green renaissance) celebrates breakthroughs in sustainability science, rewarding solutions that show measurable potential to help humanity remain within the boundaries of the Earth's ecosystem.

Frontiers Planet Prize is not just about individual research – its aim is to engender international competition and support collaboration that will help accelerate scientific discoveries worldwide.

The prize is also about promoting solutions, underlining the urgent need for greater funding – public and private sector – for sustainability science in every country.

It gives voice to scientific facts, helping to inform policy and ultimately support the adoption of scientific breakthroughs in commercial markets.

With each edition of the prize, the champions will be supported in embedding their award-winning research, and expertise in roundtable discussions at some of the world's most relevant conferences and regional events.

ASSAf is the national academy and the South African National Representative Body (NRB) of participating countries that will coordinate nominations from National Nominating Bodies for consideration into the Frontiers Planet Prize.