

NITheCS Western Cape Community Visit

YOU'RE Invited

Prof Francesco Petruccione, Director of NITheCS, accompanied by Nathan Sassman, Director of Applied Research, Innovation & Collaboration at the National Research Foundation (NRF), will visit the NITheCS Western Cape community.



Prof Francesco Petruccione
Director: NITheCS



Nathan Sassman
Director: Applied Research,
Innovation & Collaboration, NRF

PROGRAMME

- 13h45** Arrival and Tea
- 14h00** Welcome - *W A Horowitz, Western Cape Head of Node*
- 14h05** The National Funding Picture - *Nathan Sassman, NRF*
- 14h20** Director's Address - *Francesco Petruccione, NITheCS*
- 14h35** The Western Cape Node - *W A Horowitz, Western Cape Head of Node*
- 14h45** Associates' Research Showcase:
 - Jeff Murugan (Quantum Technologies)
 - Ryan Sweke (AIMS Branch Head)
 - Samuel Egieyeh (Afrocentric Solutions for Disease Control & Health Care Budget)
 - Nico Orce (University of the Western Cape Branch Head)
 - Marisa Geyer (Computational & Theoretical Gravity, Astrophysics & Cosmology)
 - Tom Farrar (Cape Peninsula University of Technology Branch Head)
- 15h20** Group Photo
- 15h25** Moderated Discussion
- 15h50** Tea & Finger Food

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

NITheCS Associates, students and researchers working in any of the eight NITheCS research themes are warmly invited to attend.

PRESENT YOUR RESEARCH

NITheCS Associates and their students are invited to present their work through a five-minute talk with slides or a poster display. To express your interest, email Prof W A Horowitz at wahorowitz@gmail.com by 21 August.

WEDNESDAY
2 September 2026
14h00-16h00 SAST

VENUE
University of Cape Town
Duncan Elliott Seminar Room
R W James Building | Upper Campus

RSVP to attend in person
<https://bit.ly/4cPZmQS>
by Tuesday, 25 August 2026

ATTEND ONLINE
<https://bit.ly/4h5UVUA>
Meeting ID: 691 1295 6286
Passcode: 134623

