



Dear Northern Branch Members,

Here's the notice of the fifth event of 2015 which will include the biennial, branch BGM. The BGM notice is attached. The call for nominations for the new committee for 2015 – 2017 went out on 17 July and is available on the SAAFoST website mailbox where all outgoing mail is posted. See: <http://www.saafo.org.za/Mail/2015/index.asp>

Meeting times have been set a little earlier to help those coming from Johannesburg and more distant areas to beat the worst of the traffic. Please come along and hear what our SAAFoST Vice President and one of South Africa's best known food safety experts has to say on this important subject. Stay afterwards for a short BGM and then socialise and enjoy some snacks and refreshments, very kindly sponsored by Deltamune (<http://www.deltamune.co.za/>). Kindly respond to Irene below to facilitate catering and voting procedures. With thanks and regards,

Jannie van Aswegen
Cell: 082 455 7707
Chairman: SAAFoST Northern Branch (2013 – 2015)
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## **SAAFoST Northern Branch Lecture & BGM**

### ***Human Behaviour as a Risk Factor in Food Safety and Quality: The Hard vs. the Soft Sciences***

**Speaker: Prof Ryk Lues**

Ryk Lues is currently a Professor in Food Safety in the Faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences at the Central University of Technology (CUT) in the Free State. He is Director of the Centre for Food Safety and Biotechnology (CAFSaB) and Coordinator of the DST Regional Innovation Forum for the Free State. He holds an MSc (Microbiology) and a PhD (Food Science) from the University of the Free State and his field of specialization comprises social-behavioural aspects impacting on food microbiology. Prof Lues is an NRF-rated scientist and has to date authored more than 60 articles in ISI accredited journals, 5 book chapters and 1 book on topics related to research methodology, food preservation, food safety culture and food hygiene systems management.

**Date:**  
Thursday 13 August 2015.

**Venue:**  
Dept of Food Science, Old Agriculture Building, University of Pretoria  
Parking at Food Science may be limited, enter the campus via University Rd and use the parkade - see directions below  
Gautrain: Hatfield station is a 10 minute walk from the Dept of Food Science

**Programme:**  
15:45 for 16:00 – arrival  
16:00 – 17:00 Welcome, introduction, presentation & discussion.  
17:00 – 17:30 SAAFoST Northern Branch BGM & election of new Branch Committee  
17:30 – 18:30 Snacks, socialising, networking & closure.

**Cost:** R50-00 pp.

**Booking:** please book through Irene Burke - not later than Tuesday 11 August. Payment to be made on the day, at the University.

Book by e-mail: [saafost.irene@telkomsa.net](mailto:saafost.irene@telkomsa.net) or

Book by Fax: 086 698 4784 or

Book by Telephone: 012- 349 2788

Name(s) of all attendees:

Company:

Tel:

Fax:

E-mail:

Number of people for snacks and tea:

If Irene does not confirm your booking by e-mail within a day or two, please try again as difficulties have been experienced with the Telkom lines.

**Cancellation:**

If you cannot make it, please cancel by 12:00 on Tuesday 11 August or preferably send someone in your place.

**Directions:**

OR Tambo International Airport

From the M1 or the R21 to Pretoria, take the N1 North towards Polokwane until you reach the Lynnwood Road off-ramp.

Exit left into Lynnwood Rd and going in a westerly direction (into town), pass several traffic lights.

At the second set of traffic lights after Jan Shoba Street (previously Duncan Street) you will find UP's main entrance on your right.

To get to the parkade, pass the main UP entrance and turn first right into University Road.

The entrance to the University from University Road is on the right.

The parkade is straight ahead of the university entrance.

The entrance to the parkade is on the Lynnwood Rd or south side of the building.