

**Dear Northern Branch Members,**

The DST/CSIR Nanotechnology Innovation Centre at the CSIR will be hosting us on the morning of 24 February with presentations and a tour of this world-class facility. Given the growing importance and rapid advance of this technology, interested food science professionals should make a point of attending and seeing what SA is capable of in the development and application of nanotechnology.

Security at the CSIR is as strict as ever so booking is important, ID numbers are required when booking with Irene and an indemnity form will be forwarded to all respondents. This form is to be completed and handed in at visitor reception when checking in on Wednesday morning, 24 February. Every visitor must also be in possession of an ID document or drivers licence in order to be sure of gaining entry! Try to be at visitors reception on the early side and to speed up entry, avoid taking along laptops and cameras, etc.

See below for more details.  
With thanks and regards,

*Denise Metcalfe*

Chair: SAAFoST Northern Branch (2015 – 2017)

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## **SAAFoST Northern Branch**

### ***Visit to the CSIR Nanotechnology Centre***

**Date:**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

**Venue:**

CSIR Nanotechnology Centre, CSIR Campus (Scientia)  
Meiring Naude Rd. Brummeria, Pretoria.

**Programme:**

08:30 for 09:00 Arrival – ID Document/Driver's license & indemnity form required to check in at the visitor reception centre  
09:00 – 09:30: Welcome and overview of the Centre: Dr James Wesley-Smith, Characterisation Facility Manager  
09:30 – 10:00: Presentation: Nanotechnology and Barrier Properties of Food Packaging. Dr S Pillay, Senior Researcher  
10:00 – 11:00: Tour of the Centre  
11:00 - End of visit

**Cost:**

No charge for those who book and attend.  
A R100-00 donation to a SAAFoST students' fund will be expected from those who book and do not attend.

**Booking:**

Please book through Irene Burke - not later than midday, Monday 22 February and provide ID numbers.

Indemnity forms will be forwarded to guests on booking and must be completed and handed in at reception on arrival.

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:

ID Numbers:

Company:

Tel:  
Fax:  
Mobile:  
E-mail:  
Number of people:

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

***Cancellation:***

If you cannot make it, please cancel immediately with Irene or send a colleague in your place.

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