

CALL FOR RESEARCH THEMES OR TOPICS: W&RSETA 2021-2025 RESEARCH AGENDA UPDATE

The W&RSETA seeks to conduct research of various themes as part of the 2021-2025 research agenda and hereby invites stakeholders to submit proposals for the agenda. The proposals must address themes that are critical to the development of the Sector Skills Plan and support sector priorities. The W&RSETA research agenda will provide an opportunity to improve the quality of labour market data and information that will inform strategic planning interventions to ensure effective and responsive implementation of skills development programmes.

The research agenda is implemented as part of the Annual Performance Plan with the purpose of identifying research priorities for the sector which will lead to more responsive skills development interventions, and to outline a clear framework of making decisions about future research activities.

The W&RSETA requires a research agenda that is representative of sector labour market dynamics to enable the SETA to be responsive to the skills development priorities of the sector. As a result, stakeholder contribution and input on research processes is critical.

The submission for research topics or themes should be guided by the following criteria:

- Aligned to sector priorities;
- Support wholesale and retail strategic development for the next decade;
- Support transformation of the W&R Sector;
- Sub-sector contribution;
- Post COVID-19 disruption and impact; and
- 4th Industrial Revolution and sector innovation.

Proposals for research themes or topics should be submitted by 31 March 2021 to Mxolisi Maphakela at mmaphakela@wrseta.org.za

Yours in skills development,

W&RSETA