

10th African Laser Centre Student Workshop



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Announcement and call for abstracts

Dear Colleagues

I would like to draw your attention to the 10th African Laser Centre (ALC) Student Workshop on laser-based research to be held in Stellenbosch at the Wallenberg Research Centre from 30 November to 2 December 2017. The South African Government will sponsor the 10th Annual ALC Student Workshop 2017, in collaboration with the University of Stellenbosch this year. The Workshop is aimed at ALC grant holders, students working on ALC projects and based at a South African university and a limited number of students working on South African Department of Science and Technology (DST) supported national Rental Pool laser research projects. It is hoped that a reasonable number of grant holders, students from each ALC-funded project and selected Rental Pool research projects will be able to attend.

The purpose of the Workshop is to give grant holders and students the opportunity to present the research results from their ALC-funded projects, and to engage in discussions with colleagues and students from other institutions.

The format of the Workshop will be as follows:

- Each project leader will have the opportunity to introduce the project, followed by a student presentation (Total time allocated 20 minutes).
- Additional project presentations in the form of posters.
- A limited number of rental pool student presentations will also be accommodated.
- Two keynote speakers will also address delegates.

The fact that the Workshop is limited to ALC associated researchers and students will encourage interaction between grant holders and students.

Full details regarding the Workshop may be found at: http://academic.sun.ac.za/physics/websites/alc_workshop_2017. In order to apply for participation in the Workshop, an abstract and an application form must be submitted for review. Please note the deadline for **abstract** and **application** submission is **5 September 2017**. The abstract **acceptance outcome** will be **30 September 2017**.

On behalf of the Workshop Organising Committee I trust you will publicise this workshop amongst your students. We look forward to the participation of ALC grant holders, with ALC projects, and South African students associated with DST supported laser Rental Pool projects.

Please note: The 10th ALC Workshop will be followed by an **ALC Workshop on Laser Microscopy and Imaging** held by the Laser Research Institute, University of Stellenbosch **4 - 6 December 2017**. If you want to combine the two events please see the announcement added to this document.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Workshop Secretariat at e-mail: pew@sun.ac.za or telephone 079-238-0877.

Yours sincerely

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