

INVITATION TO SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2021 BUDGET OUTREACH INITIATIVE

The Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, will table the 2021 National Budget on 24 February in Parliament. National Treasury as the department responsible for coordinating the process of allocating funds to various government objectives and programmes invites all South African institutions of higher learning to participate in the 2021 budget outreach programme. This year's budget outreach will run from March 2021 on the virtual platform.

Over the years, the budget outreach has been an annual engagement with an average of 10 alternating higher education institutions. This is part of National Treasury public participation initiatives wherein the National Budget will be unpacked with the aim of having a meaningful debate with student on what the Minister's presentation to Parliament on Budget Day. In addition, the National Treasury will be promoting Vulekamali - an online portal making budget data accessible.

National Treasury calls **South African universities** to participate in a vitual budget outreach programme. Space is limited and therefore only the first ten instituions that have not participated in previous years will be selected. National Treasury officials will avail its executives and/or senior managers dealing with budgets within the budget process. The officials will also take questions from the audience to make the engagement as interactive and informative as possible.

Should an institution have an interest in this engagement, it would be responsible for organising attendance by its students and staff as well as communicating preferred time and online platform for two hours. The institution may also market the event to the broader university community as well as make any other related logistics it deems necessary.

National Treausry looks forward to hosting the outreaches. The pre-set slots that each institution can secure are indicated below. On receipt of the interest, National Treasury will validate and confirm participation, including allocating officials accordingly.

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2021 BUDGET OUTREACH SCHEDULE FOR INSTITUTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM

SLOT NUMBER	PREFERRED DATE	INSTITUTION	CONTACT DETAILS Names Role & Department Telephone E-mail
Slot #01			
Slot #02			
Slot #03			
Slot #04			
Slot #05			
Slot #06			
Slot #07			
Slot #08			
Slot #09			
Slot #10			

Disclaimer: Kindly note the date is subject to availability of presenters

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