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Invitation: NRF Rating Virtual Workshop – 26 October 2026

You are invited to attend an NRF rating workshop where best practices will be shared and guidance will be provided on all aspects related to the rating process (e.g. attaining or improving a rating, narratives, best outputs, H-indices, etc.). The aim of the workshop is to provide information and insight to the UFS research community.

Details of the workshop:

Presenter: Prof Thaddeus Metz (University of Pretoria, A-rated researcher)

Chair: Prof Vasu Reddy (Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Research, Innovation and Postgraduate Studies)

Date: Monday 26 October 2026

Time: 09:00–12:00

Venue: Online (MS Teams) – **Link to be shared upon RSVP**

Please RSVP no later than Thursday 22 October to Thabi Mosoetsa (Mosoetsat@ufs.ac.za) and cc Faith Moloi (MoloiZF@ufs.ac.za).

Although not compulsory, participation is **STRONGLY** recommended – especially for prospective applicants who are considering applying for a rating for the first time this upcoming cycle, or colleagues who want to improve their current rating.

For your reference, please find attached the workshop invitation – kindly share with your colleagues.