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### IMPORTANT NEWS FOR ORCID USERS

On Friday 7 April the National Research Foundation (NRF) distributed an ORCID statement requiring all researchers and students applying for funding and rating to have an ORCID identifier. The NRF membership of ORCID ensures that researchers and their institutions will benefit from access to and integration with the ORCID registry. They are in the process of integrating ORCID into all application and grant management processes and systems. They are also considering integration benefits such as automated processes for uploading research output records into a researcher's profile and research reports. [Please read the NRF ORCID statement here.](#)

#### **What is ORCID?**

An ORCID iD comprises a 16-digit identification number which uniquely distinguishes one author from another (e.g. <http://orcid.org/0000-0001-5109-3700>). In doing so it ensures that scientific authors are permanently connected to their online research activities throughout their research careers.

#### **ORCID and Stellenbosch University**

You will know that Stellenbosch University has been a member of the [Open Researcher and Contributor ID \(ORCID\)](#) network since 2015 and we would like you to associate ("connect") your ORCID and SU network identities to allow for the integration of ORCID iDs across systems in a managed way.

**While it is now compulsory to have an ORCID iD when applying for NRF-funding or –rating, Stellenbosch University would like to request you to create your ORCID record and connect it to the Stellenbosch University integration at the same time. To do so please click on the button below (if you already have an ORCID iD, please [sign in](#) to your account to connect it with your SU network identity).**



#### **HULP**

Please [read the ORCID Library guide](#) if you need more information, for example on the benefits of using an ORCID iD and the benefits of connecting your ORCID iD to your Stellenbosch University identity.

**Enquiries:** Contact your [Faculty Librarian](#) or [Marié Roux](#), tel.: 021-8082623.

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