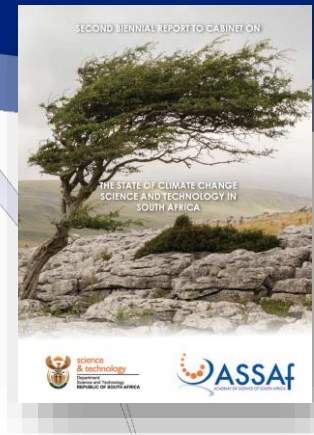


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Dear Stakeholder,

STATE OF CLIMATE CHANGE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN SOUTH AFRICA



This letter serves as a formal notification of the publication of the second biennial report titled ***The State of Climate Change Science and Technology in South Africa***. The report can be accessed on website of the Academy of Science of South Africa. [Click here.](https://research.assaf.org.za/handle/20.500.11911/66)

The study was undertaken by the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) and was commissioned by the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI). The report series aims to:

- Provide a critical assessment and comparative overview of climate change scientific research and related technological innovations;
- Identify any gaps or barriers in research and technology development value chains;
- Suggest ways to improve the current situation and maximise opportunities for South Africa.

This is the second report and covers the period 2016 to 2017. The first report, published in August 2017, assessed the period 2005 to 2015 and is freely available on the ASSAf website (<https://research.assaf.org.za/handle/20.500.11911/66>).

This second report paid particular attention into investigating research and development (R&D) activities relating to climate change adaptation and mitigation in the private sector, including relevant state-owned enterprises (SoEs).

Stakeholder input is vital to ensure that the information included is accurate and up to date. To inform and improve future reports, we would be pleased to receive any feedback from you, particularly insofar as your own organisation's work is concerned.

We would be happy to answer any questions or requests concerning the document. The contact person is Ms Nadia Algera (Programme Officer), email: nadia@assaf.org.za.

Please disseminate this report widely within your own networks.

Yours sincerely,

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