



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Unisa to launch UNEVOC Centre at its Science Campus in Florida, Johannesburg**

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In December 2024, the University of South Africa (UNISA) was officially admitted as a UNEVOC Network Member by the UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET).

To celebrate this milestone the University will be hosting the Inauguration ceremony on Monday, 23 March 2026 at the UNISA Science Campus in Florida, Johannesburg- the new home of the UNISA UNEVOC Centre.

This membership places Unisa as member of a global community of over 240 UNEVOC Centres in more than 150 member states dedicated to advancing Technical and Vocational Education with the mission to contribute to improving the standards and quality of TVET in their respective countries and globally.

Attendees will gain insights into UNISA UNEVOC Centre's future direction and its role within the Network and in the TVET Sector (South Africa). The Inauguration Ceremony will include a guided tour of the UNISA Science Campus, during which attendees will have the opportunity to see the state-of-the-art resources and programmes available to students.

The following dignitaries will attend the event:

- Prof Puleng LenkaBula, Principal & Vice-Chancellor and Head of UNEVOC Centre to deliver a welcoming address and context.
- Dr Nkosinathi Sishi, Director General of the Department of Higher Education & Training
- Ms Sindisiwe Chikunga, Honourable Minister of Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities
- Mr Olivier Pieume- Chief of the Technical Cooperation Unit, UNESCO-UNEVOC

Over 240 UNEVOC Network Centres in over 150 countries are expected to connect virtually.

Details of the event are as follows:

**Date** : Monday, 23 March 2026

**Time** : 09:00 (South African Time)

**Venue** : Thamsanqa Auditorium, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Barney Pityana Building, UNISA Science Campus, 28 Pioneer Avenue, Florida Park, Roodepoort.

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the event or join via the following link: [INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF THE UNISA-UNEVOC CENTRE - YouTube](#)

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