



**ROAD PAVEMENTS  
FORUM**

# **Resolution 3**

**University/Industry FORUM**

# RESOLUTIONS – 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025

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## Resolution Three

The RPF requests that the University/Industry Forum look at broadening the research focus to include other transportation issues.

# How to revitalise SA Roads Industry for the Benefit of All

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When last did you participate in Research (excluding academia)?

How did this Forum come about?

What is the Aim?

What are the Benefits?

# When last did you participate in Research?

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- Sabita approached by industry at CAPSA 2023 to facilitate the establishment of a University/Industry Forum that reaches out to all the sectors
- The sectors need to provide combined technical research
- The reason is to generate questions and provide answers that will benefit stakeholders, sponsors and students

# How did the Forum come about?

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## Establish Forum

South African University/Industry Research Forum realized that insufficient research projects and too few students are involved.

## Generate Research

Platform was created to bring the Regional Universities closer to all the stakeholders to collaborate with industry such as Consultants, Contractors, Public Sector, Suppliers.

# Objectives of the Forum

Develop  
Researchers

Share  
knowledge

Stop gaps &  
duplication

Budgets  
Scholarship

Research  
Opportunity  
& Partnering

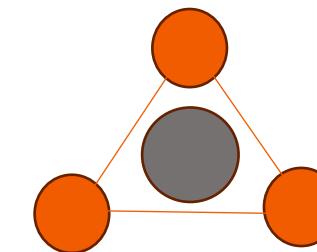
Talent

Shared  
Resources

Funding &  
Tax Breaks

# How to achieve

Three separate regions,  
Western, Eastern and  
Central



A National Forum  
and three Regional  
Mini-Forums

# Where are We with the Resolution?

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- Agreements, Contracts and MOUs
- Aim to complete the first step - Pavement Eng
- Follow up on workshops to develop the research
- Industry funding
- Resolution was specific to include wider sector
- Once the FORUM is firmly established in pavement engineering, a broader spectrum of activities can be implemented.

# Thank you!

