



The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf),

in partnership with

Stellenbosch University (Library and Information Services)

cordially invites you to the

ASSAf Presidential Roundtable: Science, Scholarship and Society on:

**'Is Scholarly Publishing becoming Unaffordable?'**  
**An Evidence-based Dialogue on the Implications of a European Plan S**  
**on South African Research**

Launched in 2018, Plan S is an initiative by Science Europe for Open Access publishing. The initiative that promotes making full and immediate Open Access a reality, has received much criticism of its implementation guidelines. There is concern about the transition to this model amongst both commercial publishers and a range of learned society journal publishers. How should South African institutions address the implications of Plan S? What exactly will the potential impact be on researchers and institutional budgets? Will Plan S not just be replacing the barrier to read with a barrier to authorship? Through its panellists, the Roundtable will be one of many efforts to understand this contentious subject and the related issues. Read more.

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**Date:** 24 October 2019  
**Time:** 17:00 for 17:30 – 19:30  
**Venue:** JS Gericke Library Auditorium, Stellenbosch University, Victoria & Ryneveld Streets  
**RSVP:** [Click here](#) to RSVP by 21 October 2019

Refreshments will be served after the event.

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