



Abridged Biography | Prof Eugene Cloete



Microbiologist and water expert, Prof Cloete is the Vice-Rector: Research and Innovation at Stellenbosch University. Before taking up this position in September 2012, Prof Cloete served as the Dean of the Faculty of Science at Stellenbosch University. He is also the Founding Director of the Stellenbosch University Water Institute. He has promoted more than 100 MSc and PhD students, authored five books, holds 10 patents and has more than 160 scientific publications to his credit.

Prof Cloete also serves on the editorial boards of several journals. He is a past Vice-President of the International Water Association (IWA) and past Chairman of the IWA Strategic Council and currently an IWA Governing Board member. He is also a Fellow of the IWA and a Senior Fellow of the Water Institute of SA (WISA). Prof Cloete was a board member of the South African Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the Water Research Commission Board. In 2016 Prof Cloete was appointed by the Minister to serve on the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) Council. In 2017 he received the National Science and Technology Forum (NSTF) South 32 award for Research leading to innovation. He was also selected as one of the Legends of SA Science by ASSAf, during 2017.
