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- **The Engineering Council of South Africa**

Following the media coverage on the deployment of Cuban engineers, the Engineering Council of South Africa ([ECSA](#)) released an official communique, which highlights the mandate of ECSA and how this relates to the deployment of international engineers into South Africa. Click [here](#) to download the document.

- **The South African National Biodiversity Institute**

The South African National Biodiversity Institute's ([SANBI](#)) mourns the death of Bob Scholes. [Read more](#).

The SANBI Annual [Student Research Day](#) looked a little different this year. The two day event that was held at Kirstenbosch on 30 and 31 March 2021 made major strides in exploring and adapting to the digital space. The annual event showcases SANBI's emerging researchers in various disciplines across the many units of the institution. This is an opportunity to appreciate the importance of the postgraduate research and how it fits into the research objectives of the institution, and feeding into SANBI's research strategy and mandate that explore, reveal, celebrate and champion biodiversity for the benefit and enjoyment of all South Africans.

- **Institute of Information Technology Professionals South Africa**

The Institute of Information Technology Professionals South Africa ([IITPSA](#)) has welcomed the government's commitment to strengthening its digital capacity and moving the country into the 4th Industrial Revolution, but has questioned the need for the government to create a new State Owned Enterprise (SOE), and the implementation model and costs associated with some of its plans. [Read more](#) in *EngineerIT*.