

## What other members say:

It's useful to have a professional home that is not an employer or an alma mater. I came back from four years in the USA and switched fields at the same time. Funnily enough, SAIP is home – the banquet is a hoot, the conferences keep me up to date, the Institute is serious about science in South Africa and gets things done, and my colleagues keep me on my toes.

*Igile Gledhill*



SAIP provide a platform to showcase physics research progress and direction in the country and expose students to many career opportunities both in public and private sector. I encourage postgraduate students to subscribe for SAIP membership and actively participate in the organisation's annual activities.

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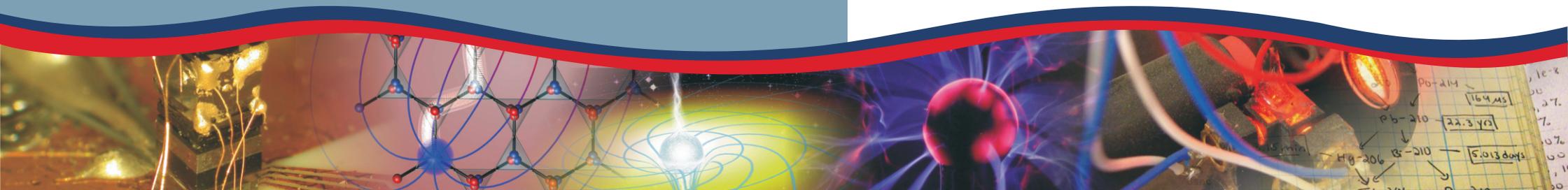


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## Background

The SA Institute of Physics (SAIP) is a non-profit, voluntary and professional physics society that was established in 1955. The SAIP has a membership of over 600 made up of professionals, academics and students. Over 10% of the membership are in other African countries and further abroad.

SAIP is dedicated to increasing the understanding and application of physics in South Africa.

## Membership

Apart from catering for professional physicists, we also provide membership options for:

- tertiary-level physics students
- secondary-level physical science educators
- institutions

## 12 Good Reasons to Join Now

- 1. Stay informed:**  
A quarterly magazine, the Physics Comment will keep you briefed on physics news, government policy and jobs in industry and academia. News flashes and alerts to are sent directly to your email.
- 2. Specialist Groups and Networking:**  
Through the various activities of SAIP, networks have been established with the Africa International Physics communities, to benefit our members. You'll make important new contacts and forge lifelong professional relationships by getting involved in a specialist group.
- 3. Save Money:**  
You'll receive discounted rates for SIAP conferences, and have the benefit of paying affiliate membership fees for IOP membership.
- 4. Employment opportunity information:**  
Job advertisements will be displayed on our new website and mailed to members from time to time.
- 5. Access to sources of funding grants and scholarships:**  
Exclusive service provided to our members via a direct email system.
- 6. Scientific meetings:**  
The annual conferences and workshops guarantee learning opportunities for different specialisation areas and varying degrees of experience.
- 7. Especially for the global physics community:**  
You'll have the opportunity to be partake in events organised by the SAIP for the Physics community in South Africa as well as Africa: developmental workshops, schools and conferences.
- 8. Benefit resources:**  
Your membership privileges also include information and guidance when applying for and acquiring visas to study, participate in scientific meeting and research opportunities in South Africa and abroad. There is also an exclusive member-only area on our website.
- 9. Career guidance and resources:**  
Career assistance is provided to all members to find their career path in industry or academia.
- 10. Opportunities to win awards of excellence:**  
SAIP recognises contributions to physics in SA by awarding two different medals and various student prizes at the annual conference.
- 11. Teaching and Learning Resources for schools:**  
As part of our growing outreach programme we provide teachers and learners with the tools and opportunities to allow and motivate more learners to follow careers with physics as a background.
- 12. Reduced advertising rates:**  
Both institutional and individual members enjoy reduced tariffs for advertisements on our website and in the Physics Comment magazine.