**Agricultural Writers South Africa**

**Pro Forma Nomination Form 2024**

**Agricultural Researcher of the Year**

Nominations MUST be made based on the pro forma so that it is uniform, and the judges can meaningfully compare the candidates with each other. Nominations deviating from this will not be accepted.

Essentially, it is about the candidate's principles, value systems and life ethics. Also, what the candidate has achieved, what value his/her work has for agriculture and the prestige the candidate enjoys locally and internationally.

**The nominee**

Name and surname:

Academic title:

Academic qualifications:

Research area:

Institution:

District:

Telephone and mobile number:

E-mail address:

**The following must accompany the nomination:**

a. At least five good photographs of the nominee, including a clear profile photo. A video can accompany the nomination.

b. Provide the complete residential address, e-mail address, telephone number, and mobile number.

c. A 300-word summary of the nominee.

***The closing date for nominations is 23 August 2024. No nomination will be received after the cut-off date.***

# The candidate (10 points)

Sketch a complete picture of the nominee and his/her work environment during

his/her career. Emphasise qualifications and the field in which he/she is an expert.

# Value for the farmer and agriculture (50 points)

Describe how the nominee shares his/her knowledge with farmers. How does the nominee use his/her existing knowledge to address practical issues? What value is the research for farmers, and how does it help them farm better and more sustainably? What effect does his/her research have on agriculture? In other words, what is the candidate's impact factor? How does it add value to agriculture, the industry or the organisation in which he/she is involved?

# Adapting to changes (20 points)

Describe how the candidate keeps pace with the changing agricultural environment and adapts his/her research/service accordingly. How relevant is the candidate in the challenges of the day?

# Recognition (20 points)

Describe the achievements that the candidate has already achieved and the recognition he/she has received and enjoyed at the local and/or international levels. What is his/her international standing?