

The National Agricultural Marketing Council's unit dealing with Agricultural Industry Trusts has a mandate to facilitate the communication process between the Agricultural Trusts and the Minister of the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD). Among other things, Agricultural Industry Trusts unit is expected to facilitate the process of the appointment of Ministerial Trustees. This release is aimed at fulfilling that activity regarding the Mohair Trust.

OBJECTIVES OF THE MOHAIR TRUST:

The main objective of the Mohair Trust is to manage the assets so that income is optimised for the advancement of the Mohair industry by promoting mohair production within the Republic of South Africa and stimulating demand for mohair inside and outside of South Africa. In support of this main objective, the Trust has the following supplementary objectives:

1. The promotion and maintenance of quality standards;
2. The promotion of international relations which will serve to benefit the mohair industry;
3. Liaising and market development between producers, dealers, brokers, purchasers and manufacturers of mohair;
4. The collection, processing and dissemination of reliable marketing and production statistics in respect of mohair;
5. Promotion of research and the production of mohair;
6. The granting of financial assistance –
 - a) With regard to research related to the improvement, production, manufacturing, storage and marketing of mohair;
 - b) To institutions established or which arise to promote the mohair business; 37
7. The establishment of an information service in order to inform producers periodically regarding general marketing conditions or the state of the mohair industry in particular;
8. Financial assistance shall be granted in order to promote stability in the mohair industry, to
 - a) Producers through mechanisms which may include –
 - i. The provision and implementation of a floor price system through voluntary participation of producers; and
 - ii. The operation of voluntary marketing pools for the sale of mohair

QUALIFYING CRITERIA TO SERVE AS A MINISTERIAL TRUSTEE:

- (a) Be a South African citizen;
- (b) Understand and/or be able to analyse & interpret the financial statements and investments;
- (c) At least 5 years' experience in agriculture, land reform and rural development;
- (d) Should have knowledge and understanding of transformation policies of the government;
- (e) Possess a desire to advocate and advance the needs of smallholder farmers in the mohair industry;
- (f) Not be an immediate family member nor be involved in a business venture with NAMC members;
- (g) Be influential and able to work effectively as a member of a team;
- (h) Willingness to accept Trustee duties and responsibilities; and
- (i) Understand agricultural Trusts, statutory levies and their objectives.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MINISTERIAL TRUSTEES:

- (a) Ministerial Trustee have a legal obligation to take shared responsibility for the Agricultural Industry Trusts in which they represent the Minister on, and must ensure that;
 - i. The Trust pursues its objectives or purposes as set out in the Trust deed;
 - ii. The assets of the Trust are protected and used exclusively to pursue its purposes; and
 - iii. The Trust complies with the law and its governing documents.
- (b) The Ministerial Trustees should be available for the meetings and report to the NAMC regarding the key issues discussed and Mohair taken during the meeting;
- (c) Report to the NAMC regarding activities of the Mohair Trust on a continuous basis;
- (d) Ensure that Agricultural Industry Trusts' and levy funds are utilised in a manner that is consistent with objectives of the Trusts deed and that transformation projects are undertaken in accordance with the transformation charters for Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development.

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE:

- (a) Research;
- (b) Agriculture and awareness of emerging farmer issues;
- (c) Serving the public interests;
- (d) Governance;
- (e) Diversity;
- (f) Financial management;
- (g) Political/ Local, Provincial and National government knowledge; and
- (h) Legal knowledge

TERMS OF MINISTERIAL TRUSTEES:

The terms of the Ministerial Trustees differ from one Trust to another and are guided by the Trust Deed of each Trust. Ministerial Trustees may serve only two consecutive terms and the reappointment is subject to the performance and commitment of the Trustee in the first term. The Trustee who has served for two consecutive terms will normally not stand for reappointment.

Please forward your Curriculum Vitae (CV) to:

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If you have not been contacted within three months of the closing date, please note that your application was unsuccessful.

