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WITS SPORT



Wits Sport Transformation Fund
Inspiring South African sporting success



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Student sport and university sport codes have been one of the most important cornerstones and enablers of South African sporting achievements. Many Olympic and international medal winners and other success stories have come through the university system.

However, Wits believes that universities can play an even bigger role, particularly with regard to transformation. University success in transforming our sporting teams is critical to achieving transformation targets at provincial and national level.

The establishment of the **Wits Sport Transformation Fund** will facilitate this by providing talented student athletes from poor and marginalised backgrounds with the opportunity to attend this world-class institution.

Wits is internationally recognised and distinguished for its research and academic excellence, and its commitment to social justice. However, we also have world class infrastructure that attracts elite athletes, coaches and events, and we thus offer our students the opportunity to excel in academic and sporting activities alike.

With the launch of the **Wits Sport Transformation Fund**, we hope to enable this opportunity for an even more diverse group of talented student athletes. With your support, we will contribute to their success, and the success of Wits Sport and South African sport as a whole.

This launch coincides with, and will further build on, the remarkable successes that Wits Sport has achieved across a range of codes over the past few years. These feats make us extremely proud.

South Africa has a history of using sport as a vehicle to heal, transform and make a positive difference in society. We think that this initiative goes a long way towards encouraging these possibilities.

Our most recent sporting successes in 2017

- University Sports South Africa: Basketball Men and Women National Champions
- University Sports South Africa: Rugby and Hockey Semi-finalists
- Bidvest Wits: Professional Soccer League Champions for the first time in 95 years
- Host of the 2017 International Hockey Federation World Hockey League Semi-finals

Wits Sport *Transformation Fund*

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The **Wits Sport Transformation Fund** gives an opportunity to students who have sporting and academic talent, yet are financially disadvantaged. It enables them to attend Wits University, a remarkable institution which is internationally recognised and distinguished by its excellent research, high academic standards and commitment to social justice.

In addition, Wits welcomes elite athletes as students and works to ensure that students leave Wits as well-rounded individuals with both academic and sporting achievements. Wits University believes that universities can play a catalytic role in the transformation of our national sporting teams and in some cases, even entire codes.

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As Wits contributes to transforming the private and public sectors through increasing the pool of highly skilled young professionals, so too can we contribute to the world of sport. Wits will achieve this transformation through its commitment to its student athletes. To be successful in this ambitious endeavour, we will offer generous scholarships, accommodation and meals to talented student athletes.

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The **Wits Sport Transformation Fund** is being launched to achieve this. **We need your support.**

Wits is ready to discuss exciting partnerships with all parties who have a keen interest to transform and raise the performance of our national sporting codes. We look forward to discussing our ambitious plans with all our prospective partners across the private and public sectors, government agencies and individuals – be they successful sportspeople in their own right, or those who enjoy sport and believe in the transformational power of sport to unite a complex society.

Our first recipients will be announced in 2017 – and their scholarships will be awarded for the 2018 academic year.





Wits Sport *Transformation Fund*

Benefits of Investing

Wits provides individual tax benefits associated with donations, as well as business and Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) solutions. The revised B-BBEE codes offer greater incentives for the private sector and higher education to work together.

The **Wits Sport Transformation Fund** will be the recipient of all donations received and provides attractive B-BBEE investment solutions for companies. An additional opportunity exists to become an official B-BBEE partner of Wits University through an equity partnership with the Wits Empowerment Trust.

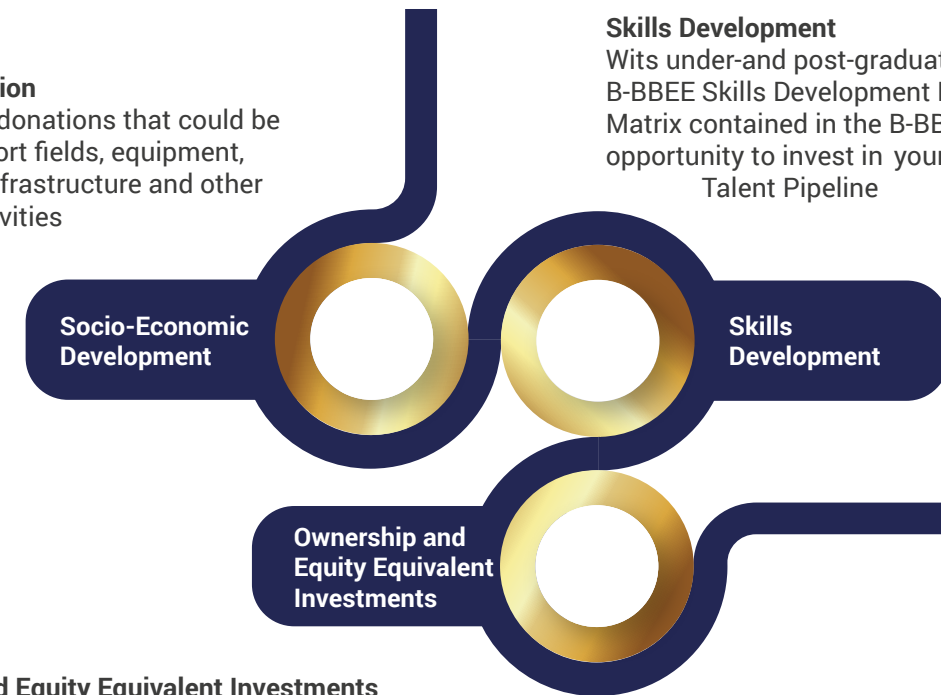
A unique opportunity exists to claim B-BBEE scorecard points under the three priority element codes:

SED Contribution

Discretionary donations that could be utilised for sport fields, equipment, educational infrastructure and other university activities

Skills Development

Wits under-and post-graduate programmes align to B-BBEE Skills Development Learning Programme Matrix contained in the B-BBEE Codes, an ideal opportunity to invest in your Human Resource Talent Pipeline



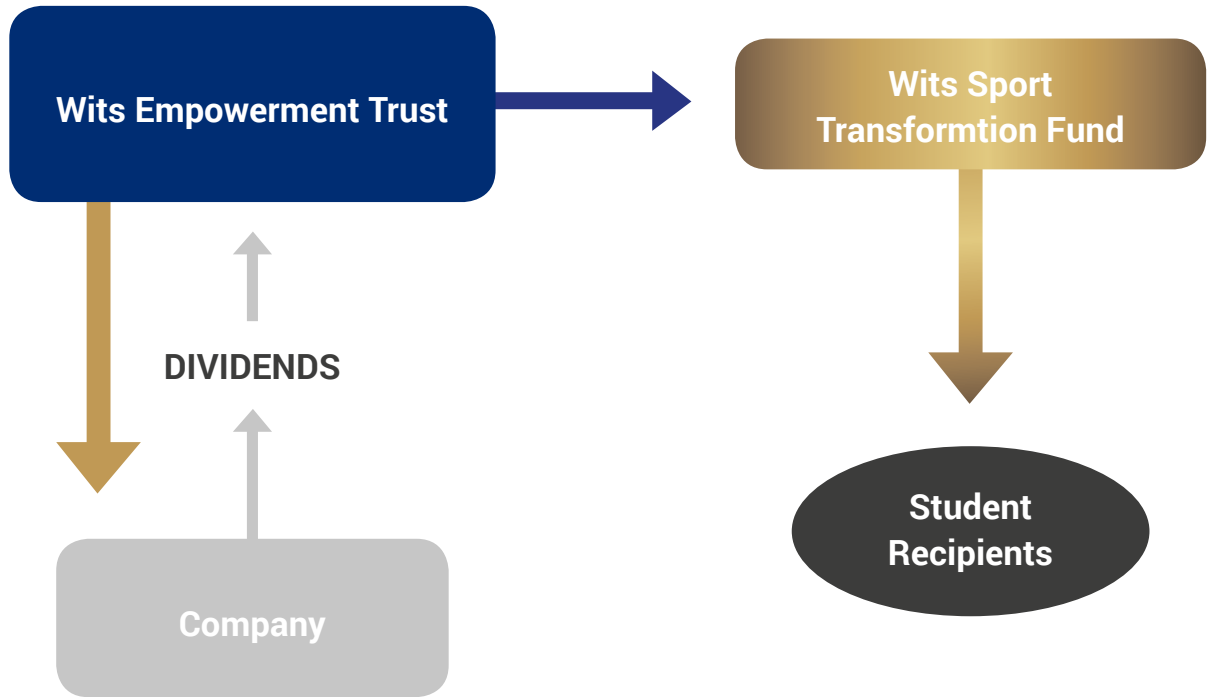
Ownership and Equity Equivalent Investments

Why not consider the Wits Sport Transformation Fund as your B-BBEE beneficiary through your B-BBEE equity partnership with the Wits Empowerment Trust?

The Wits Empowerment Trust as your B-BBEE partner – an innovative way to drive the Wits Sport *Transformation Fund*

Corporate partners of the Wits Empowerment Trust who elect the *Wits Sport Transformation Fund* as the B-BBEE beneficiary will see dividends channelled to the Fund as illustrated below.

The Wits Empowerment Trust is a credible and enduring shareholder that provides broad-based ownership credentials to investment entities while furthering the educational requirements of unfunded student beneficiaries. These students are defined as ‘new entrants’ and represent a broad-based group that presents an additional five points on the ownership scorecard. Wits will encourage a minimum grant of shares to the Wits Empowerment Trust to ensure full Net Value equity compliance from day one.





Wits Sport Recent Successes

Soccer

- 2017 - Bidvest Wits: Professional Soccer League Champions

Basketball

- 2017 - Men and Women National University Sports South Africa Champions – **first time ever**
- 2016 - Men's National USSA Champions
- 2016 - Women, USSA, GUBL and ICSL finalists

Rugby

- 2017 - Pirates Grand Challenge: Semi-finalist – **first time ever**
- 2017 - University Sports South Africa: Semi-finalist – **first time ever**
- 2017 - Varsity Cup: 5th Place finish. **Best finish ever by a new team** (included a win over the defending Champions)
- 2016 - Varsity Shield Champions
- 2016 - Rugby U/20 Assupol Cup Champions
- 2016 - Rugby - Gauteng Sports Awards Team of the Year Nominee

Aquatics

- 2016 - Waterpolo: Women's Premier League Champions – **first time ever**
- 2016 - Water polo: Gauteng Sports Awards Coach of the Year and Upcoming Player of the Year Nominee

Cricket

- 2016 - Cricket Premier League Gauteng T20 Champions - **first time ever**

Hockey

- 2017 - Varsity Hockey Women Semi-finalist – **first time ever**
- 2017 - Men and Women USSA Semi-finalist – **first time ever**
- 2016 - Varsity Hockey Men's Semi-finalists- **first time ever**
- 2016 - Hockey Premier League: Men finalists, Ladies semi-finalists

Martial Arts

- 2017 - Tang Soo Do: 30 Medals at the Arnold Classic Africa
- 2016 - Tang Soo Do: 33 Medals at World Martial Arts Championships

Rowing

- 2016 - Women's Fours University Sports South Africa Champions

Hosting of National and International Events

- 2017 - International Hockey Federation: World Hockey League Semi-Finals
- 2017 - University Sports South Africa Tournaments: Rugby, Hockey, Chess, Gymnastics, Football
- 2017 - Engen Knockout Football Challenge
- 2016 - University Sports South Africa Tournaments: Hockey, Basketball
- 2016 - South African Schools Sport Championships

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Wits University
Provincial
Representation
in 2016

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Wits University
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Wits Sport Codes

Aquatics 	Basketball 	Boxing 	Chess 
Cricket 	Fencing 	Football 	Futsal 
Gym & Aerobics 	Gymnastics 	Hockey 	Martial Arts 
Mountain Climbing 	Netball 	Rowing 	Rugby 
Snow Ski 	Squash 	Table Tennis 	Tennis 
Underwater Scuba & Hockey 	Yachting 		





Support the *Wits Sport Transformation Fund*

Several unique benefits make it attractive to invest in this extremely important initiative, including the following:

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- All contributions made to the *Wits Sport Transformation Fund* provide attractive B-BBEE investment solutions for corporates as well as tax benefits for individuals.
- The initial capital amount will be invested and only the interest earned will be apportioned as scholarships (i.e. 85% utilisation, 15% re-invested).

We believe in our ambitious sport transformation programme

How to make your contribution to the *Wits Sport Transformation Fund*:

1

To donate online, Visit <http://www.wits.ac.za/givingtowits/> and click on **Support Us**. This will take you to a donate page. Then please select **Wits Sport** – which will automatically defer to the **Wits Sport Transformation Fund**. Please then make your donation.

2

If you wish to make a **direct deposit**, the bank account details are as follows:

University of the Witwatersrand Foundation
Standard Bank of South Africa Ltd, Braamfontein
Branch Code: 00 48 05
Account Number: 00 290 0076
SWIFT Code: SB-ZAZ-AJJ-480502
Reference: L14645

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