

Dr. Hannes Viljoen



Dr Hannes Viljoen is a registered Animal Scientist with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (Pr. Sci. Nat. Reg No:400225\86).

He holds a B.Sc. (Argic); B.Sc. Argic (Hons) and a M.Sc. (Argic) (*Cum Laude*) from the University of Pretoria and a PhD from the University of Stellenbosch (Amino acid nutrition in Pigs).

Dr Viljoen started his career at the Agricultural Research Council (ARC) where he was an Assistant Director, responsible for Monogastric Nutrition research.

Thereafter he joined Kynoch Feeds (now Yara Animal Nutrition) as Technical Manager followed by the position of Global Technical Manager for Kemira GrowHow in Helsingborg, Sweden.

He spend a year in Sweden and returned to South Africa as Director Speciality feed products at Scinetic (Division of AFGRI products) and later Director –Technical Sales within AFGRI Animal Feeds.

Dr Viljoen joined Animal Nutrition & Health (Pty) Ltd (ANH) in February 2009 as partner and Managing Director. After ANH was sold to Trouw Nutrition in 2019, Envarto (Pty) Ltd was formed of which he is currently the Managing Director.

Dr Viljoen has vast experience in the animal feed and feed additive market and is a well-respected Scientist within the scientific community. He published and co-author a number of pear reviewed scientific and semi-scientific papers. He wrote three chapters in “Pig Production in South Africa” 1993 and wrote a major part of the Nutrition section in “Modern Pig Production”, 2014 ed. D.J. Visser. He furthermore gave numerous presentations internationally and locally at Science symposia and Farmers information days.

He acts as co-Promoter for master’s degrees at University of Pretoria and External Examiner for several Master dissertations at various South African Universities.

Dr Viljoen serves on the SA Pig Association’s Research Committee and was previously a board member of the Animal Feed Manufacturers Association (AFMA) and the South African Society of

Animal Science (SASAS). He is also the recipient of a Silver Medal from the

SASAS for exceptional contributions to animal Science as well as the AFMA's Technical person of the year award for exceptional contributions towards the Feed Industry.

He focusses on various Nutrition related areas that includes Pig Nutrition, Feed additives with special attention to the gut microbiome, mineral/vitamin nutrition and silage enhancement. His Main specie focus is Pigs.