

Is tenet.ac.za legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 90/100

tenet.ac.za

Verdict



tenet.ac.za appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not ScamLow Risk

Assessed 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

TENET South Africa site describing services, network impact, news and support contact details for a research and education network. Contains cookie consent and partner information; appears to be an institutional site rather than a commercial/financial offering.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	25 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2001 3089 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by HARICA OV TLS ECC	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2001.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is TENET South Africa's institutional research and education network site, presenting connectivity, information-technology services, network impact, news, support, and contact information for higher-education and research institutions in South Africa. Its apparent operating model is a non-profit, institution-focused service network sustained through memberships, partnerships, and service arrangements.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed: the available evidence identifies no phishing, impersonation, malicious reputation, or blacklist indicator. The site's institutional presentation, sustained historical continuity, and benign observed behaviour are consistent with an established website rather than a deceptive financial or consumer-facing operation. The evidence supports apparent legitimacy, but the real-world operator identity has not been independently verified.

EVIDENCE

- Domain continuity dates to 2001, approximately 25.42 years old; archival coverage comprises 3,089 snapshots spanning 2001–2026, with 26 years tracked.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious and 0 suspicious detections, with no external blacklist or phishing finding.
- The homepage presents an institutional organisational profile, while behavioural testing found no login form, hidden form, wallet activity, clipboard manipulation, or suspicious script activity.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The About, Network, Services, Support, and Contact materials describe an institutional connectivity and research-support organisation rather than a financial service. No financial-services licence or registration number is presented in the supplied site content; for this stated operating model, that is a transparency and applicability point for verification, not evidence of deception. The site's institutional identity is presented on-page, but independent confirmation connecting the website to the real-world operator remains outstanding. The available third-party broker context contains no match and should be treated only as supplementary reputational context.

EVIDENCE

- The site's hosting infrastructure is identified as AS2018, TENET (The UNINET Project) - TENET (The UNINET Project), ZA.
- The site's transport encryption uses a HARICA OV TLS ECC certificate with OV validation, valid to 2027-02-07.
- The homepage title identifies "TENET South Africa – South Africa's Research & Education Network" and provides navigation to organisational, service, support, and contact content.

What to Verify Next

An institution considering a formal engagement should independently confirm TENET's legal and institutional status through an established offline or independently sourced contact route, and should reconcile the relevant service agreement with the contracting entity. Before credential or payment interactions, ordinary checks of the applicable terms, responsible entity, refund or return arrangements where relevant, and payment-protection options should be completed.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage provides separate About, Network, Services, News, Support, and Contact pathways for independent review.
- The homepage publishes a 24/7 fault-reporting and support function and identifies institutional news and board-related announcements.
- The available form activity is limited to cookie consent, with no sensitive submission form detected.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website with a high-trust, low-risk posture. No scam or impersonation contradiction was identified, although the connection between the website and a independently verified real-world operator remains unconfirmed.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site resolves to two likely origin addresses, with no detected CDN or edge-IP layer. This represents a direct-hosting posture without the additional mitigation normally provided by a reverse-proxy CDN or WAF; it is an infrastructure consideration, not evidence of illegitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Normal informational and institutional-service use is proportionate, while independent entity, contractual, and payment-protection checks should precede credential submission or any payment interaction.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	55/100
Identity verification confidence	60%

- Identity verified on page

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of tenet.ac.za.

- The request stayed on tenet.ac.za. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2001-03-12. CLEAR
- It is hosted on TENET (The UNINET Project), from a server in ZA. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Not available
Hosting	TENET (The UNINET Project) - TENET (The UNINET Project), ZA
Country	ZA
Server IP	2001:4200:0:192a:155:232:192:35
Name servers	Not available
SSL issuer	HARICA OV TLS ECC
SSL expiry	2027-02-07
Domain age	25.42 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	Not available
Archive first seen	2001-03-12
Archive snapshots	3089
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about tenet.ac.za at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that

evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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