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Judge O'Regan to speak at Carnegie3 Western Cape Workshop

Former Constitutional Court judge and Chair of the Khayelitsha Commission of Inquiry, Kate O'Regan, will be the opening speaker at a workshop convened by the Carnegie3 (Inquiry) Strategies to Overcome Poverty and Inequality on Monday, 17 November 2014. The workshop will be held from 08h30 until 16h30 at the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Studies, 10 Marais Road, Stellenbosch.

The Universities of Cape Town, Stellenbosch and the Western Cape are jointly organising the Western Cape workshop, the first public event of the Carnegie3 Inquiry Strategies to Overcome Poverty and Inequality since its launch conference in September 2012. The programme will focus on the delivery of police, health and educational services to poor communities.

Apart from Justice O'Regan, other speakers will include Dr Francisco Ferreira, Chief Economist for the Africa Region at the World Bank, Professor Servaas van der Berg, economist and education specialist at the University of Stellenbosch, and Penny Vinjevold from the Western Cape Education Department.

The Carnegie3 Inquiry is the third major Carnegie investigation into poverty and inequality in South Africa. The first, in 1922, was the historic investigation into the "poor white" problem. The second, in 1987, was convened by UCT Emeritus Professor Francis Wilson and former UCT Vice-Chancellor Dr Mamphela Ramphele, and focused on poverty under apartheid.

This third inquiry focuses on post-apartheid poverty and inequality.

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The workshop's programme on Monday, 17 November 2014, is:

08h30 Coffee/tea

Session 1

Chair: Professor Crain Soudien (University of Cape Town)

09h00	Opening, background to Carnegie process and to regional workshops
09h20	Providing police services to the poor: Lessons from Khayelitsha – Judge Kate O'Regan (Commissioner, Khayelitsha Commission)
10h10	Growth, Inequality and Poverty Reduction in Africa – Dr Francisco Ferreira (World Bank's Chief Economist for the Africa Region and Research Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA, Bonn))
10h50	Tea

Session 2

Chair: Mohammed Karaan (University of Stellenbosch)

11h20	Providing quality education to the poor – A policymaker's perspective - Penny Vinjevold (Western Cape Education Department)
12h10	Community health workers and providing services to the poor - Lilian Dudley & Lungiswa Nkonki (University of Stellenbosch)
13h00	Lunch

Session 3

Chair: Ben Cousins (University of the Western Cape)

14h00	Pluralistic approaches to universal health coverage - Shivani Ramjee (University of Cape Town)
15h00	Education for the poor – a stocktaking – Professor Servaas van der Berg (University of Stellenbosch)
15h50	Discussion: Carnegie 3 - The Road Ahead
16h40	Cocktail Function

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