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Media Invitation

UCT hosts webinar on decolonialisation and decoloniality

22 September 2020 | 10h00 SAST | Microsoft Teams live event

As part of its transformation efforts, the University of Cape Town (UCT) will host a webinar to explore decolonialisation and decoloniality on Tuesday, 21 September 2020, at 10h00.

The webinar will explore different moments in different parts of the non-Western world around the emergence of decolonial thought and discourse. Discussions will also look at decolonialisation in the context of UCT's Vision 2030.

The speakers to present their works are the four UCT decolonialisation grant holders – Associate Professor Shose Kessi, Professor Shadreck Chirikure, Professor Floretta Boonzaier and Dr Lwazi Lushaba. They will cover a variety of topics.

Speakers

- Associate Professor Shose Kessi: Dean of Humanities and co-director of the Hub
 for Decolonial Feminist Psychologies in Africa. Her research centres on political
 psychology, community participation and mobilisation. A key focus is the development
 of photovoice methodology as a participatory action research tool that can raise
 consciousness and mobilise community groups into social action.
- Professor Shadreck Chirikure: Head of UCT's Archaeological Materials Laboratory.
 His research combines techniques from humanities and social sciences with those from
 hard sciences to explore ancient African technologies, relating them to wider political
 economies of precolonial societies.
- **Professor Floretta Boonzaier**: Co-director of the Hub for Decolonial Feminist Psychologies in Africa. Her focus is on feminist, critical and decolonial psychologies

with emphasis on subjectivity, race, gender, sexuality, gendered and sexual violence as well as feminist decolonial methodologies.

• **Dr Lwazi Lushaba**: Lecturer in the Political Science department. He will present on his research titled *De-colonial imperative within the context of South Africa: An African perspective*. His publications include a co-edited book *'From National Liberation to Democratic Renaissance'* and a book titled *'Development as Modernity, Modernity as Development'*. He is currently working on a book manuscript on the history of South African social sciences beginning from the 1700s.

Please <u>register</u> for the event. The webinar will be followed by a panel discussion on decolonialisation in the UCT environment. It is open to all.

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