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The University of Cape Town will host an official virtual press conference to announce a major education milestone.

The virtual press conference will be hosted by Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mamokgethi Phakeng, and will include other notable UCT representatives and guests for a live 90-minute presentation and discussion on the announcement.

As early as 2018, UCT recognised that 4IR would disrupt our lives. UCT, under the leadership of Professor Phakeng, then set Vision 2030 – a future-facing, innovative and bold plan that enabled the university to lead the changes and shape the future rather than react to it. The plan dared the university to realise its full potential and to be a trailblazer.

At the heart of Vision 2030 is UCT's commitment to discover and create new ways to approach South Africa's complex problems and to unleash the country's human potential to build a fair and just society.

One of key pillars of the Vision is to advance holistic, innovative future-oriented education. The most important tool every South African needs is affordable, quality education which is the only way the inequality gap can be closed in this country. This is a necessity not only for the university sector, but for everybody in the country.

The announcement on Wednesday will show how UCT is putting Vision 2030 into action and will launch a nationwide project that will have a significant impact on the education sector.

Members of the media wishing to attend the press conference are requested to RSVP to darryn@leehousepr.com by 17:00 Tuesday, 20 July 2021.

Note: The press conference and Q&A session will run from 11:00 until 12:30. An opportunity for one-on-one interviews will be afforded post the proceedings on a first come, first serve basis. Interview slots will be allocated on the basis of pre-confirmation from media houses. Please indicate with your RSVP if you are interested in doing one-on-one interviews when confirming your attendance.

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