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UCT launches Imbizo Yethu - a space for researchers to generate new ideas

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The University of Cape Town (UCT) will today launch Imbizo Yethu, a physical space (office trailer) for researchers who work on the topic of “Creation of decent work and sustainable livelihood” to come together.

UCT Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mamokgethi Phakeng, will give the opening address.

Imbizo Yethu’s key objective is to afford individuals who work with dignity through their work. It is also a broader concept that seeks to generate ideas of how researchers could see “work for pay” so that it allows individuals to live decent lives.

At the same time, it models that way of working through how members work under the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI) / National Research Foundation (NRF) South African Research Chair (SARChI) in Creation of Decent Work and Sustainable Livelihood. It is about creating a spirit of community and co-creation.

Professor Ines Meyer, DSI/NRF SARChI Chair, says: “We hope to encourage collaborative thinking and co-create innovation in how we think about “work for pay” and how it can create more sustainable lives (reduce poverty, social ills, and inequality in South Africa, but beyond) – while at the same time modelling this way of working in how we collaborate as academics/researchers, the general campus community (i.e. students) and stakeholders outside the university (e.g. employers, communities).”a

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