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UCT to host lecture by UN vice president on Africa's role in the global health agenda

22 October 2024 | 17:30-19:30 | Neurosciences Institute, Groote Schuur Hospital

The University of Cape Town's (UCT) United Nations Association South Africa UCT Chapter and the Pan African Health Sciences Forum will host the second annual Global Health Lecture on Tuesday, 22 October 2024.

The lecture will focus on Africa's role in the global health agenda and explore strategies for advancing health outcomes across the continent. It will be delivered by Dr Ahmed Ogwel, vice president for global health strategy at the United Nations Foundation.

Dr Ogwel, a leading expert in global health, will share insights from his extensive experience, including his leadership in Africa's response to the COVID-19 pandemic during his tenure as the inaugural deputy director and the acting director at the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC).

He has also previously worked for nearly a decade with the World Health Organization at both its headquarters and the regional office for Africa. At country level, he held senior positions at the Ministry of Health in Kenya, where he established departments for non-communicable diseases and international health relations.

This lecture is an opportunity to engage in critical discussions around global health, focusing on Africa's strategic position and the path to enhanced healthcare outcomes.

Members of the media are requested to [RSVP](#) no later than Friday, 18 October 2024.

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