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15th Biennial Conference
**South African Association of
Political Studies**

**CONFERENCE
PROGRAMME**

Theme: Rethinking Politics
in a Time of Crisis
Venue: Virtual (Zoom)

Dates:
26-28
August 2021

Host: Department of
Political and International
Studies, Rhodes University


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Remarks from the President of the South African Association of Political Studies (SAAPS)



I take this opportunity to thank the Local Organizing Committee ably led by Professor Sally Matthews at Rhodes University. They have worked tirelessly over the past two years and a half preparing for this crucial 15th biennial conference and general meeting of the South African Association of Political Studies (SAAPS). They have endured many difficulties in the process including problems caused by the outbreak of Covid-19 that forced us to postpone the conference from 2020 to 2021. It was a norm in 2020 to postpone conferences due to stringent travel restrictions and lockdowns.

Many major international events and conferences had to be put off in the face of this terrible calamity often in the hope that it would be gone in a few months. Like the age-old crises of poverty and underdevelopment, Covid has refused to leave us. Like with them, as we made progress to conquer the pandemic, it re-emerged sometimes with greater brutality than before in the form of new variants.

Like poverty, what began as a shared global problem in need of strong international action and great solidarity, it is fast becoming a greater problem for developing countries than developed ones. As in the case of poverty, the developed nations have decided to save their populations at all costs including the cost of weakening international cooperation and even the cost of unnecessary loss of lives in the developing world in the process. As in the responses to poverty, the developed countries are now distributing whatever remains of the vaccines they have provided to their population to developing countries more at profit than a portion they offer as "alms" to embalm the wounds of those left behind to suffer. As with poverty, they have forgotten completely that they became developed and thus able to produce and acquire solutions like personal protection equipment or vaccines through colonial exploitation of the very world they now offer extra supplies to today.

The developed world has difficulties with global governance and multilateralism in times of crises that they have abilities to solve nationally. They easily establish alternative and parallel mechanisms to ones shared developing countries. As on poverty, global institutions recalibrate their work, reassert their agency and work to maintain a semblance of international cooperation against the wishes of the powerful states of the North. They become the moral voice for the marginalised, but are limited their own governance weaknesses.

Again, as in the poverty story of the past century or longer, the developing world has been hampered in some cases by failure to build resilient social systems, effective governance institutions and productive economies. The failure of domestic leadership and the disarray in governance systems that

undermine responses to poverty weaken responses. As on poverty, dynamic activities are happening on the margins often by CBOs and NGOs as well as by communities of the poor on the margins. This is the ingenuity in adversity; gallant efforts to make ends meet.

As on poverty, the knowledge sector is divided on how to interpret the current crisis. Yet, there is a growing attempt to decipher the times and understand what is likely to emerge from this. As on poverty, political science is divided between maintaining old discourses we have had for a century and debating the new issues emerging. Its relevance especially in the developing world is at stake.

By focusing on rethinking politics in the context of decolonisation, this conference invites us to reflect on the basis of lessons of history, and understandings of today. We are enticed to consider how to unthink in order to rethink the political across all subjects imaginable. This requires a political science that pushes boundaries including disciplinary boundaries. It requires a political science like it was not political science as we know it. It requires open, robust, disruptive and innovative conversations. This is what we are planning to witness in this conference. We trust you to participate in reimagining the political and pose new liberating questions.

We will at the end meet to discuss the general meeting to consider the state of SAAPS, its mission, its activities, its finances, etc. We will also elect a new Executive and Council of the Association. Good luck to nominees. The Association has not future without your participation. Thank you for renewing your membership. Many thanks for support us as the Executive and Council i reserve the strongest gratitude to the Council I have had the privilege to lead: Vusi Gumede (UMP), Laurence Piper (UWC), Jo-Ansie van Wyk of Unisa (resigned in March 2021), Naledi Modise (NWU), Kgothatso Shai (UL), Sally Matthews (RU), Ongama Mtimka (NMU), Lebogang Legodi (UL), Dirk Kotze (Unisa), Valerie Ferim (UFH), Sven Botha of UJ (who resigned in April) and Chris Isike (UP).

A happy conference to all of us!

Siphamandla Zondi

President of SAAPS 2018 to 2021.

August 2021



Message from the Local Organising Committee

When the Department of Political and International Studies agreed to host the next SAAPS conference, we had no idea that we were agreeing to host the first ever virtual SAAPS conference. In 2019, we began planning for a conference to be held in September 2020. However, by the middle of 2020, it was clear that the COVID-19 pandemic would make the 2020 conference unviable. And, by the beginning of 2021, it was decided that rather than delaying the conference indefinitely, we should go ahead and organise a virtual conference.



A virtual conference is a whole different creature to a ‘normal’, in-person conference. Many valuable forms of engagement are lost – the chats over lunch and tea, the conversations with presenters immediately after their talks, the ability to catch up with former colleagues, and the chance to visit a new institution and city. We are sad that these things will not be part of this year’s conference. However, there are also benefits to a virtual conference. One key benefit is that it is perhaps more accessible than an in-person conference. We took the decision to make attendance of the conference completely free so that those who would like to listen in to the presentations can do so at no cost to themselves (beyond the cost of data for the internet). We hope that this will mean that this conference is opened up to students and others who would not have been able to travel to Makhanda and pay to join an in-person conference. We also welcome the way in which virtual conferences create their own new forms of engagement – vigorous discussion using the Zoom chat function, for example! Furthermore, we will be recording the conference so that we can make the presentations available to those who were not able to attend.

Our local organising committee has had many virtual meetings as we tried to decide how to bring this conference to life. As the chair of the committee, I would like to extend my thanks to the rest of the committee who brought this conference to life: Professor Eduard Jordaan, Dr Mandisi Majavu, Dr Bongani Nyoka, Zvikomborero Maziyanhanga, Nomphumelelo Babeli, Khanya Burns-Ncamashe, Ofentse Maake and Douglas Takudzwa Zinyemba. It was lovely to see how we all brought our different strengths together to make this conference possible!

I hope you enjoy the conference.

Sally Matthews
(Chair of the Local Organising Committee)



How to Access the Virtual Rooms

All sessions will take place virtually using the Zoom conferencing platform.

The details of the Zoom rooms are given below. You can access the rooms by simply clicking on the link. Links are provided in the programme for each session. Details of the 'rooms' are available below.

[Plenary Room \(Zoom Webinar Room\)](#)

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/94747510655?pwd=SVJ3RG9UQ2hzd3o3VTd3L2NENXVRZz09>

Host: Charmaine Avery/Sally Matthews

Co-host: Zvikomborero Maziyanhanga (contact +27 67 394 4993)

[Zoom Seminar Room MM](#)

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96436530435>

Host: Mandisi Majavu

Co-host: Khanya Burns-Ncamashe (contact: +27 79 279 7524)

[Zoom Seminar Room SM](#)

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/99146887487>

Host: Sally Matthews

Co-host: Ofentse Maake (contact: +27 79 868 5952)/ Zvikomborero Maziyanhanga (contact +27 67 394 4993)

[Zoom Seminar Room EJ](#)

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96686866518>

Host: Eduard Jordaan

Co-host: Douglas Zinyemba (contact: +27 65 974 1885)

[Zoom Seminar Room BN](#)

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/99546487688>

Host: Bongani Nyoka

Co-host: Nomphumelelo Babeli (contact: +27 83 767 3875)



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PROGRAMME SUMMARY

DAY ONE: THURSDAY 26 AUGUST 2021

09:00 – 09:30	OPENING OF CONFERENCE
09:30 – 10:45	PLENARY ONE: JUDITH FEBRUARY
11:00 – 12:30	PANEL SESSION ONE
12:45 – 13:45	LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES: ROUNDTABLE AND BOOK LAUNCH
14:00 – 15:30	PANEL SESSION TWO
15:45 – 17:00	PLENARY TWO: SHIREEN HASSIM
17:05 – 18:00	SAAPS RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS

DAY TWO: FRIDAY 27 AUGUST 2021

08:30 – 10:00	PANEL SESSION THREE
10:15-11:45	PANEL SESSION FOUR
12:00 – 13:00	LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES: ROUNDTABLE AND “MEET THE EDITORS”
13:15 – 14:45	PANEL SESSION FIVE
15:00 – 16:15	PLENARY THREE: SIBA N’ZATIOULA GROVOGUI
16:30 – 17:30	SAAPS RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS

DAY THREE: SATURDAY 28 AUGUST 2021

08:30 – 10:00	PANEL SESSION SIX
10:15-11:45	PANEL SESSION SEVEN
12:00 – 12:45	PRIZE-GIVING AND CLOSING REMARKS
13:30 – 15:00	SAAPS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FULL PROGRAMME

DAY ONE: THURSDAY 26 AUGUST 2021

09:00 – 09:30

OPENING OF CONFERENCE

Venue: [Zoom Plenary Room](#)

- Introductory remarks from the Local Organising Committee
- Welcome Address: Siphamandla Zondi (SAAPS President)
- Official Opening of Conference: Enocent Msindo (Dean of the Humanities, Rhodes University)

09:30 – 10:45

PLENARY ONE

Venue: [Zoom Plenary Room](#)

Chair: Mandisi Majavu (RU)

Introduction to Speaker: Douglas Zinyemba (RU)

South Africa: Present Tense, Future Imperfect

Judith February

(Lawyer, governance specialist, columnist and visiting fellow at the University of the Witwatersrand's School of Governance)




11:00 – 12:30	PANEL SESSION ONE			
	PANEL 1A: SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS: PARTIES, VOTERS AND PARTICIPATION	PANEL 1B: PEACE AND CONFLICT IN AFRICA	PANEL 1C: CHINA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	PANEL 1D: MODIFYING RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES DURING A PANDEMIC
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room EJ	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room BN
	<i>Chair:</i> Christopher Allsobrook (UFH)	<i>Chair:</i> Victoria Graham (UP)	<i>Chair:</i> Klaus Kotzé (UCT)	<i>Chair:</i> Christopher Isike (UP)
	<p>Phumlani Majavu (UNISA) EFF's political identity: thriving on slogans and ideological promiscuity</p> <p>Rocco W. Ronza (Catholic University of Milan) The global sources of local party dominance: the NP, the ANC and the liberal international order</p> <p>Gary Prevost and Ongama Mtimka (NMU) The Economic Freedom Fighters of South Africa: What Do They Stand For and Who Votes for Them?</p>	<p>Bonnie Ayodele (Ekiti State University) The future of War in Africa: Issues and Perspectives</p> <p>William Kandowe (Wits) FIB's Peacekeeping and Peace Enforcement: A case study of Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo 2013 to 2018.</p> <p>Sven Botha (UJ) Contextual counter-terrorism: Making the case for an Africa-centric toolkit for gendered counter-</p>	<p>Steven Kuo (UCT) The rise of Asian values and Chinese norms in United Nations Peace Operations: Hold on a minute - what are the Chinese norms again?</p> <p>Afa'anwi Ma'abo Che (Xi'an Jiaotong University- Liverpool University) Marginalization of Southern Cameroons? Evidence from sub-national Distribution of Chinese Official Finance in Cameroon</p> <p>Sam Mokgothu Mokhaloane (UKZN)</p>	<p>Michael Hector (SUN) Data Gathering in the Zoom Age: Contributions at a Distance</p> <p>Derica Lambrechts (SUN) New methods and adapted research designs: data gathering during the COVID-19 pandemic</p> <p>Nabil Ferdaoussi (UCT) The Role of Adapting Qualitative Research amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic in Building Capacity for Local Researchers in the Global South</p>

	<p>Naledi Modise (NWU) Working class voters in the 2019 Elections – reflections from the past, anticipations for the future</p> <p>Michael Braun (University of Toronto) Populism and Opposition Party Growth at the Local Level in South Africa, 2014-2019</p>	<p>terrorism programme evaluation</p> <p>Modu Lawan Gana (Mai Idris Aloomo Polytechnic) Challenges of the Integration of Internally Displaced Person to Host Communities in Yobe State, Nigeria</p> <p>Collin Olebogeng Mongale (NWU) Examining contributing factors to organized crime and their ramification on human security. The case study of ECOWAS and SADC</p>	<p>Is COVID-19 the Remaking of New World Order? China’s rise to global leadership</p> <p>Danielle Barnes (NMU) The digital Yuan’s possible effect on the United States financial dominance</p>	
12:45 – 13:45	LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES: ROUNDTABLE AND BOOK LAUNCH			
	ROUNDTABLE: Researching African Politics in a Post-COVID-19 Era		BOOK LAUNCH DISCUSSION: <i>Marriages of Inconvenience: The Politics of Coalition in South Africa</i> (Ed. Susan Booysen)	
	Venue: Zoom Room SM		Venue: Zoom Room BN	
	Roundtable convener and moderator: Christopher Isike (UP)		Chair and facilitator: Mcebisi Ndletyana (UJ)	

	Speakers: Olusola Ogunnubi (UFS) Dorcus Ettang (UKZN) Anthony Bizos (UP)	Speakers: Susan Booysen (MISTRA): The uneven transition from party dominance to coalitions: SA's new politics of instability Amuzweni Ngoma (MISTRA): Political conditions that facilitate coalition workability Khabele Matlosa (National University of Lesotho): Electoral systems, party systems and coalitions: Lessons from Southern Africa		
14:00 – 15:30	PANEL SESSION TWO			
	PANEL 2A: SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS: PARTICIPATION AND CITIZENSHIP	PANEL 2B: DEMOCRACY IN AFRICA	PANEL 2C: BRICS AND THE FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL ORDER	PANEL 2D: POLITICAL THEORY
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room EJ	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room BN
	<i>Chair:</i> Phumlani Majavu (UNISA)	<i>Chair:</i> Sven Botha (UJ)	<i>Chair:</i> Siphamandla Zondi (UJ)	<i>Chair:</i> Ongama Mtimka (NMU)
	Lubna Nadvi (UKZN) Re-imagining Political Literacy in Contemporary South African Politics Laurence Piper (UWC) Democracy Disconnected: Neighbourhood struggles over a toll road in Hout Bay, Cape Town	Zainab Olaitan (UP) Political Parties and Democratic Challenges in Africa Keabaka Tsholo (NWU) Does the Transition of Liberation Movements into Political Parties Guarantee	Klaus Kotzé (UCT) Overcoming the Global Interregnum: Considerations from BRICS Laurence Caromba (UJ) Power, Propaganda, and Trust: Explaining Russia's Cyber Strategy	Stephen Louw (University of Sharjah) The Robin Hood of the Sahel: Contradictory legacies of Thomas Sankara Sunday Paul C. Onwuegbuchulam (UFS) A Matter of Life and Death? State Power and Control of

	<p>Namhla Thando Matshanda (UWC) Transnational identities and landscapes of belonging among Ethiopian migrants in Cape Town, South Africa</p> <p>Siphiwe I. Dube (Wits) The New Religious Political Right in South Africa</p>	<p>Good Governance? Cases of ZANU-PF and the ANC. Ruben Pretorius (UFS) The crisis of democracy's effectiveness and legitimacy in contemporary Africa governance</p> <p>Lusanda Nobanda (NWU) A Critical Analysis of Democracy as a cause of development in Africa: The Cases of Rwanda (2000-2020) and South Africa (2000-2020)</p>	<p>Debora Valentina Malito (Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University) Connectivity and the reconfiguring of global development: the BRI in East Africa (co-authored by David Kiwuwa)</p> <p>Kurisani Mdhuli (NMU) The decline of Liberal International Order (LIO) and International Relations: Paving the way for global governance</p>	<p>the Body in a Pandemic Era in the Light of Foucault's Concept of Bio-Politics</p> <p>Christopher Allsobrook (UFH) Segregationist Trusteeship in Imperial Decolonisation: Smuts's Mandate</p> <p>Ompa Tshikhudo Malima (UNISA) Balance of the Opposites: Problematising Discourses and Ideologies</p> <p>Mlamuli Nkosingphile Hlatshwayo (UKZN) Thinking through the organic crisis and epistemic disobedience in South African higher education curricula: The case for making Political Science relevant</p>
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15:45 – 17:00	PLENARY TWO <i>Venue:</i> Zoom Plenary Room <i>Chair:</i> Bongani Nyoka (RU) <i>Introduction to Speaker:</i> Nomphumelelo Babeli (RU)			
	Reading crisis through the social: Some dilemmas for South African politics Shireen Hassim (Canada 150 Research Chair in Gender and African Politics at Carleton University in Canada)			
17:05 – 18:00	SAAPS RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS			
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM <i>Chair:</i> Sally Matthews (RU)	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM <i>Chair:</i> Bhaso Ndzendze (UJ)	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room BN <i>Chair:</i> Ongama Mtimka (NMU)	
	Teaching and Learning Committee	Quality of Democracy Committee	Emerging Scholars Committee	

DAY TWO FRIDAY 27 AUGUST

08:30 – 10:00

PANEL SESSION THREE

PANEL 3A: COVID-19 AND SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS

PANEL 3B: AFRICAN POLITICS

PANEL 3C: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF AFRICA

Venue: [Zoom Room MM](#)

Venue: [Zoom Room SM](#)

Venue: [Zoom Room EJ](#)

Chair: Fiona Anciano (UWC)

Chair: Giovanni Poggi (NMU)

Chair: Valery Ferim (UFH)

Tania Coetzee and Sanet Madonsela Solomon (UFS)
Reflecting on South Africa's stark disparities in the midst of the "new normal"

Itai Makone (UCT)
How durable are hybrid regimes? The case of Zimbabwe as a hybrid regime

Simon David Taylor
Norms, Values and Identities in Southern African
Diplomacy: Understanding the Zimbabwean Conundrum

Craig Bailie (Konrad Adenauer Foundation)
Fighting an invisible enemy: The South African National Defence Force and COVID-19 – a commentary on leadership, culture and values

Neo Simutanyi (Centre for Policy Dialogue)
The politics of impeachment in Africa: Experience of presidential removal in South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Kwaku Danso (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre)
Forging Global-Regional Partnerships in Peacekeeping: A Focus on African Union and United Nations

Sysman Motloun (NWU)

Victoria Graham (UP)

	<p>South Africa, a society of contempt: from COVID-19 and beyond</p> <p>Xichavo Alecia Ndlovu (UCT) and Norman Sempijja (University of Navarra)</p> <p>The relationship between the existing political settlements and state resilience in the COVID-19 pandemic: The case of South Africa</p>	<p>Exploring Youth Participation and Voter Apathy in Africa</p> <p>Koatile Monaheng (UCT)</p> <p>Whose Lives Matter? An Environmental Governance analysis of the Lesotho Highlands Water Project</p> <p>Augustine Blay Arko (University of Education, Winneba)</p> <p>Curbing Corruption in Ghana: Is the Office of the Special Prosecutor the Answer?</p>	<p>Kumiko Makino-Yamashita (Japan External Trade Organization)</p> <p>Anti-apartheid movements at the intersection between Western and Afro-Asian contexts: A case study of the Japan Anti-apartheid Committee</p> <p>Keith Gottschalk (UWC)</p> <p>Rethinking Pan-Africanism & African Integration</p>	
10:15 – 11:45	PANEL SESSION FOUR			
	PANEL 4A: COVID-19 AND SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS II	PANEL 4B: PEACE AND CONFLICT IN AFRICA II	PANEL 4C: AFRICAN FOREIGN POLICY	PANEL 4D: DEMOCRACY – CRISIS AND POPULISM
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room EJ	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room BN
	<i>Chair:</i> Kgothatso Shai (UL)	<i>Chair:</i> Mlamuli Hlatshwayo (UKZN)	<i>Chair:</i> Jo-Ansie van Wyk (UNISA)	<i>Chair:</i> Koatile Monaheng (UCT)

	<p>Reagalaetsa Matlhoahela (NWU) South Africa’s innovations to combat COVID-19 and their implications on the human rights.</p> <p>Hlengiwe Phetha (UJ) South Africa’s Response to COVID-19: Realities and challenges of the vaccination roll out process</p> <p>Sbonelo Radebe (UKZN) Travails of the “new normal” in higher education: disadvantaged rural students experiences with online teaching and learning in the context of COVID-19</p>	<p>Jasper Kiepe (Independent) Media Mavens – A Postcolonial Reading of Conflict and Manipulation in DRC and CAR</p> <p>Giovanni Poggi and Asiphe Mxalisa (NMU) Making a Case for Critical Electoral Violence Studies in Africa</p> <p>Nothando Maphalala (IPSS) On nosy, noisy neighbours: The Horn of Africa and transnational conflict in Africa</p> <p>Gallous Atabongwoung (UP) Experience of xenophobia among immigrant informal entrepreneurs: the case of Francophone African immigrants in Pretoria</p> <p>Charles Nyuykonge (Independent)</p>	<p>Suzanne Graham (UJ) African Small Island Developing States (ASIDS) and their role within the United Nations</p> <p>Eduard Jordaan (RU) Regime type and support for international human rights: Rwanda and South Africa on the UN Human Rights Council</p> <p>Christopher Williams (Wits) Alfred Nzo: Reassessing a Misunderstood Minister</p> <p>Fritz Nganje (UJ) African Agency in Transnational City Networks: The Case of Johannesburg</p>	<p>Dirk Kotzé (UNISA) Post-crisis strategies: reconstruction, recovery, restructuring, reform or democratisation?</p> <p>MD Aftab Alam (University of Delhi) Emergence of Majoritarianism and Populism: Reflections on the Future of the State and Democracy</p> <p>Nduduzo Langa (Independent) [Un]problematising Populism in South African Politics</p> <p>Khondlo Mtshali (UKZN) Inkohlakalo: Liberal democracy as corruption</p>
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		African Solutions: A differentiated approach to managing Peace and Security Challenges		
12:00 – 13:00	LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES: ROUNDTABLE AND “MEET THE EDITORS”			
	ROUNDTABLE: Rethinking How to Facilitate Learning in Political Studies amid COVID-19		MEET THE EDITORS	
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM		<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	
	Facilitator: Siphamandla Zondi (UJ) Chair: Lebohang Motsomotso (UNISA) Speakers: Dikeledi Mokoena (NMU) Gavaza Maluleke (UCT) Naledi Modise (NWU) Vhulenda Matshili-Mukheli (UNISA) Lebohang Legodi (UL) Sarah Godsell (Wits)		Chair: Mandisi Majavu (RU) Editors of the following journals will give advice and answer questions about publishing. This is especially valuable for emerging scholars, but others may also be interested. Fred Hendricks (<i>Journal of Contemporary African Studies</i>) Christopher Isike (<i>Politikon</i>) Christopher Allsobrook (<i>Theoria</i>) Martha Bridgman (<i>South African Journal of International Affairs</i>)	

13:15 – 14:45	PANEL SESSION FIVE			
	PANEL 5A: SOUTH AFRICA: SOCIO-ECONOMIC ISSUES	PANEL 5B: COVID-19 AND AFRICAN POLITICS	PANEL 5C: NEW DIRECTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	PANEL 5D: RICK TURNER 50 YEARS ON: POLITICS AS THE ART OF THE IMPOSSIBLE
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room EJ	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room BN
	<i>Chair:</i> Vusi Gumede (UMP)	<i>Chair:</i> Suzanne Graham (UJ)	<i>Chair:</i> Dirk Kotzé (UNISA)	<i>Chair:</i> Olajumoke Yacob-Haliso (RU/Babcock)
	<p>Marianne Camerer (UCT) Fighting corruption and state capture in South Africa: The role of civil society</p> <p>Thabang Motswaledi (NWU) Investigating political networking as a threat or opportunity to South Africa’s democracy</p> <p>Martin Bekker (UJ) The socio-economic and structural predictors of protest and political upheaval in SA</p>	<p>Kennedy Manduna (Wits) A critical reflection of the impact of the political economy of coronavirus on social contract in Zimbabwe.</p> <p>Ajibola Adigun and Doyinsola Ibikunle (ResearchRound) State of Nature and the Nature of States: Antifragility in the COVID-19 Pandemic</p> <p>Salome Achieng’ Delaila (UJ) Governance and Sustainable Development in East Africa in the COVID-19 Crisis</p>	<p>Jo-Ansie van Wyk (UNISA) Power and pathology in International Relations</p> <p>Eben Coetzee (UFS) Emerging technologies and the quiet submarine: what future for nuclear deterrence?</p> <p>Fanelesibonge Nosipho Masinga (UKZN) What does the rise of the “rest” and decline of the west signify for International relations?</p>	<p>Gideon van Riet (NWU) Radical contingency and Rick Turner’s enduring message to relative privilege amid widespread precariousness and insecurity</p> <p>Laurence Piper (UWC) The path to judgement: Turner and the ‘theoretical attitude’</p> <p>Christine Hobden (Wits) Political philosophy as resistance: Rick Turner and the vision of engaged philosophy</p>

	<p>Joshua Bell (RU) Social upgrading or dependency? Investigating the implications of the inclusion of commercial wine farms within South African Fairtrade certification</p>	<p>Mandipa Ndlovu (Leiden University) Zimbabwe's dual pandemic: militarisation and its legacies during COVID-19</p>	<p>Eric Yankson (Namibia University of Science and Technology) Assessing the Glocal Nature of Regionalism through a Metagovernance Approach</p>	<p>Daryl Glaser (Wits) On making participatory democracy more liberal</p> <p>Professor Lawrence Hamilton (Wits) What is the Point of Political Theory?</p>
15:00 – 16:15	<p>PLENARY THREE <i>Venue:</i> Zoom Plenary Room <i>Chair:</i> Eduard Jordaan (RU) <i>Introduction to Speaker:</i> Zvikomborero Maziyanhanga (RU)</p>			
	<p>Siba N'Zatioula Grovogui (Professor of International Relations Theory and Law at Cornell University, USA, and Nelson Mandela Visiting Professor in the Department of Political and International Studies at Rhodes University)</p>			
16:30 – 17:30	<p>SAAPS RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS</p>			
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room EJ	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room BN
	<i>Chair:</i> Dirk Kotze (UNISA)	<i>Chair:</i> Chris Isike (UP)	<i>Chair:</i> Martha Bridgman (SAIIA)	<i>Chair:</i> Lawrence Hamilton (Wits)
	South African Politics	African Politics	International Relations and Diplomacy	Political Theory

DAY THREE: SATURDAY 28 AUGUST

08:30 – 10:00	PANEL SESSION SIX		
	PANEL 6A: SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS	PANEL 6B: NIGERIAN POLITICS	PANEL 6C: INTERNATIONAL INTERVENTIONS IN AFRICA
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room SM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room EJ
	<i>Chair:</i> Londiwe Mntambo (RU)	<i>Chair:</i> Fritz Nganje (UJ)	<i>Chair:</i> Laurence Piper (UWC)
	<p>Collette Schulz-Herzenberg (SUN) Switchers, Splitters, Defectors and Abstainers: Sources of Voter Fluidity in South Africa? (co-authored by Bob Mattes)</p> <p>BE Mdhhluli (UKZN) An Analysis of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (Mpac) in Local Government; A Vehicle for Promoting Good Governance: The Case of</p>	<p>Olumuyiwa Temitope Faluyi (UKZN) The Place of Rotational Presidency in the Clamour for Restructuring in Nigeria’s Fourth Republic</p> <p>Ebenezer Oluwole Oni and Temitope Olumuyiwa Faluyi (UKZN) Political Institutions as Agents of Social Contract Collapse in Nigeria</p>	<p>Maxine Rubin (UCT) Judicial Interventions: the consequences of the relationship between African States and the International Criminal Court for the liberal order</p> <p>Monica Fagioli (Independent) Dialectics of international intervention through scale, space, and time (co-authored by Debora Malito)</p>

	<p>Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality</p> <p>Frank Lekaba (NWU) Liberal democracy in South Africa and its impact on the ANC's politics and transformational agenda</p> <p>Kgothatso B. Shai (UL) Christianisation of political discourse in South Africa through the lens of Mboweni</p>	<p>Comfort Oluwaseun Oluwagbemi (Tai Solarin College of Education) Violence and Insecurity: A Threat to Liberal Democracy and National Development</p> <p>Ibrahim Saleh Maitala (UWC) The eroding roles of constituency offices in emerging democracies</p> <p>Christopher Isike and Martin Ihembe (UP) Accessing the Narrow Corridor: people agency as a pathway to a developed Nigerian state</p>	<p>John-Mark Iyi (UWC) Regime Change and International Law in Times of Crisis: Libya and Beyond</p> <p>Discussants: Debora Malito and Monica Fagioli</p>	
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10:15 – 11:45	PANEL SESSION SEVEN		
	PANEL 7A: PUBLIC POLICY IN SOUTH AFRICA	PANEL 7B: THE AFRICAN CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA	PANEL 7C: GENDER AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room MM	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room EJ	<i>Venue:</i> Zoom Room BN
	<i>Chair:</i> Naledi Modise (NWU)	<i>Chair:</i> Vusi Gumede (UMP)	<i>Chair:</i> Siphokazi Magadla (RU)
	<p>Charley Lewis (Independent Communications Authority of South Africa) Regulating Tele-communications in South Africa: Universal Access and Service</p> <p>Ubanesia Adams-Jack (SUN) An exploration of the discourse underpinning the policy work of South Africa's Department of Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities.</p> <p>Ewan Sutherland (Wits) Data must fall – the politics of mobile tele-</p>	<p>Seshupo Josial Mosala (NWU) The implementation of Agenda 2063's First Ten-Year Implementation Plan and its implication to African Continental Free Trade Area</p> <p>Clayton Hazvinei Vhumbunu (RU) The African Continental Free Trade Area: A new era for African Integration or another grandiose razzmatazz?</p> <p>Sizwe Sidaza (UKZN) Pan-Africanism, Economic Integration and</p>	<p>Ebiere Lynsa Atani (Federal University Otuoke) Patriarchal constraints to women's occupation of elective offices in Nigeria's Niger Delta: A critique</p> <p>Gogo Londiwe Mntambo (RU) Notions of Zulu Girlhood- From preservation to variations of ukhlonipha nokufihla in post-apartheid South Africa"</p> <p>Kamogelo Segone (Wits) The role of women in a post-Western world?</p>

	<p>communications tariffs in South Africa</p> <p>Mpumezo Ralo (UNISA) Understanding Black Economic Empowerment in the context of Redress in Africa</p> <p>Mashudu Edward Muthivhi (UV) Church Regulation in A Democratic South Africa</p>	<p>Development: To what extent is the African Continental Free Trade Area's implementation a breakthrough in advancing cooperation and prosperity?</p>	<p>Gavaza Maluleke (UCT) #RhodesWar: Contesting Institutional Silencing in the Struggle against Rape in South Africa</p>	
12:00 – 12:45	PRIZE-GIVING AND CLOSING REMARKS			
	<p><i>Venue:</i> Zoom Plenary Room</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Siphamandla Zondi (SAAPS President)</p>			
	<p>The President of SAAPS, Siphamandla Zondi, will announce the SAAPS lifetime achievement award and the recipients of the Student Best Essays competition.</p>			
13:30 – 15:00	SAAPS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING			
	<p><i>Venue:</i> Zoom Plenary Room</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Siphamandla Zondi (SAAPS President)</p>			
	<p>All SAAPS members are invited to join the SAAPS AGM at which new office bearers will be elected.</p>			