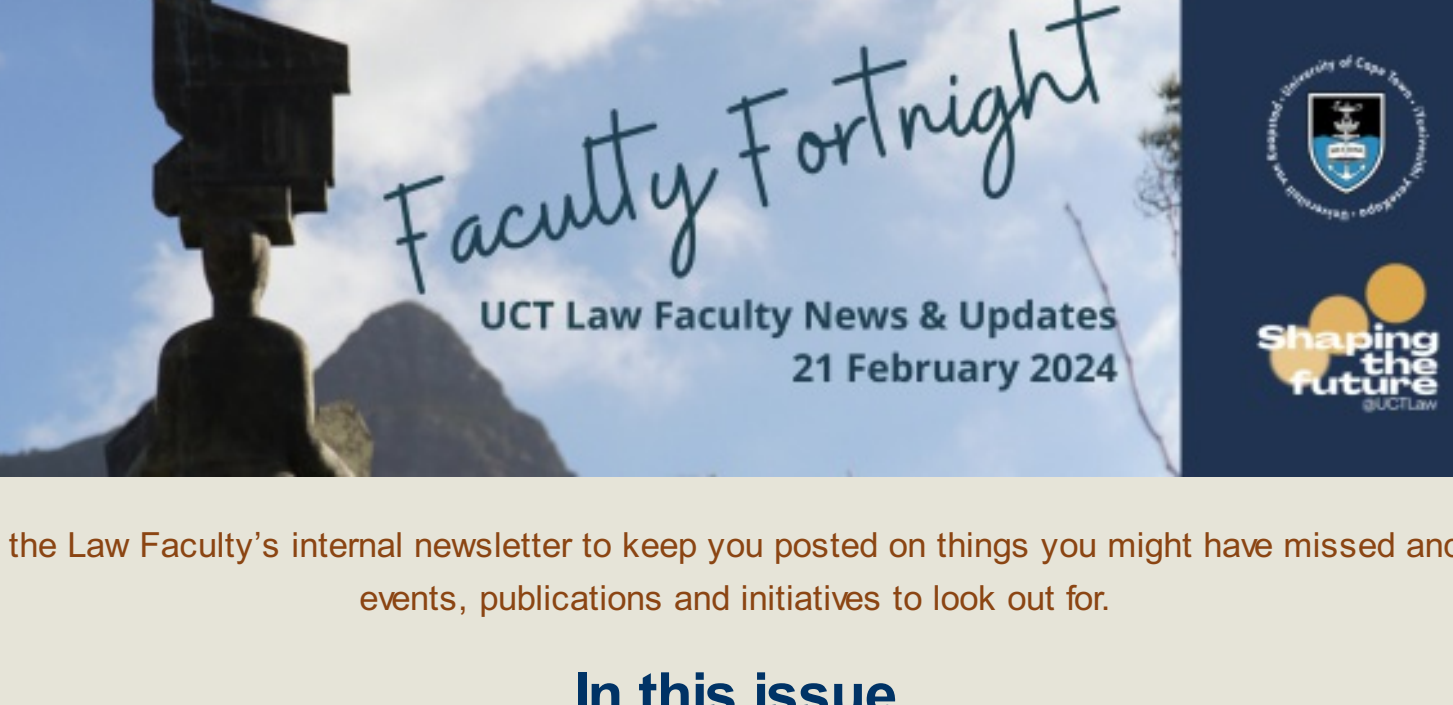




the Law Faculty's internal newsletter to keep you posted on things you might have missed and events, publications and initiatives to look out for.

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FACULTY VISION | MARCH REMINDER

A key area of work in achieving our Faculty Vision is ...

building a system that stimulates and sustains specialised integrated research clusters and expertise, networks and partnerships.

The Faculty's Vision 2030 statement is available on our website as a pdf for easy download.



FACULTY NEWS

Faculty Friday

Please join us in the Faculty Common Room at 10h30 on **Friday 8 March** for coffee and refreshments.

For those not familiar with this regular event, we have a fortnightly Faculty staff gathering as an opportunity to meet new colleagues, hear special announcements, celebrate recent achievements, and just relax over coffee and a snack.

Everyone is welcome!

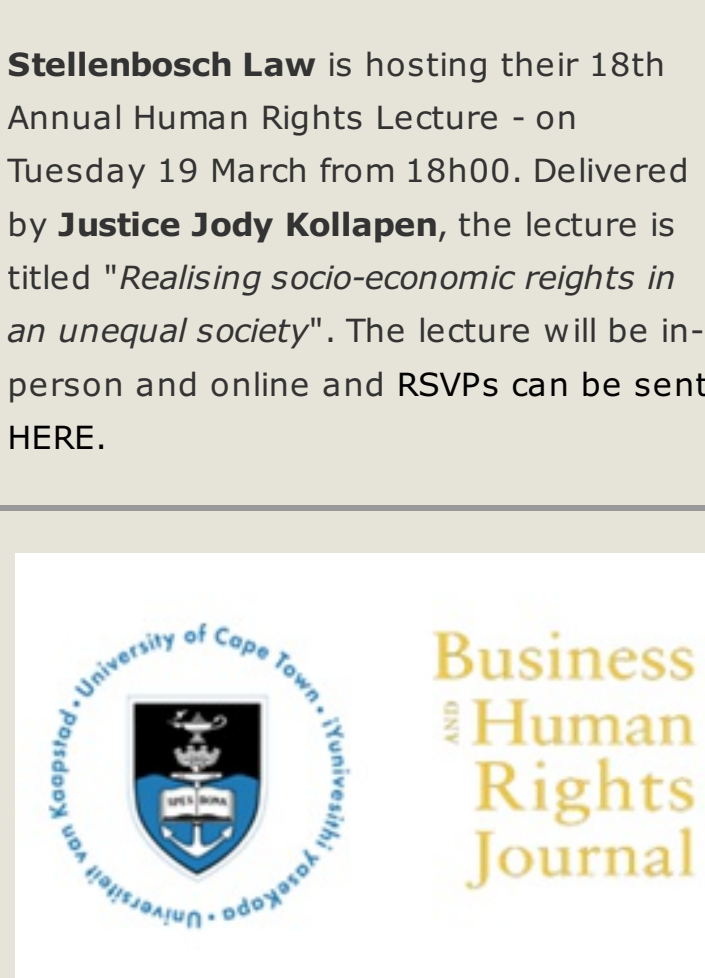
Friday 8 March is International Women's Day, being celebrated this year under the theme 'Invest in women: Accelerate progress'



STAFF NEWS

NEW STAFF

The Faculty warmly welcomes **Dr Lufuno Sadiki**, senior Lecturer in the Centre of Criminology, Public Law. With a PhD from University of Pretoria, Lufuno joined UCT Law in February this year, bringing with her almost a decade of lecturing experience at University of Venda and UP, and experience as an Information Analyst. A member of the *Criminology Society of Africa* and the *European Society of Criminology*, Lufuno has published on topics such as *Decolonising the Criminology curriculum in South Africa*; *Fear of crime and victimisation among the homeless in urban and rural settings in South Africa*; *teaching, learning and assessing in the time of*



covid-19; *transformation of a criminology journal in post-apartheid South Africa*; and *an African criminology*. Publication links are available on orod.

LECTURES, CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

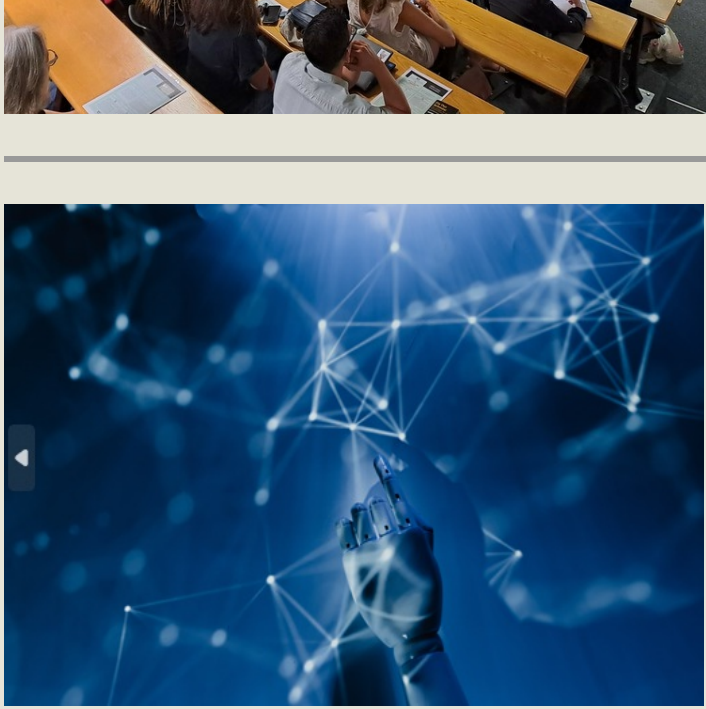
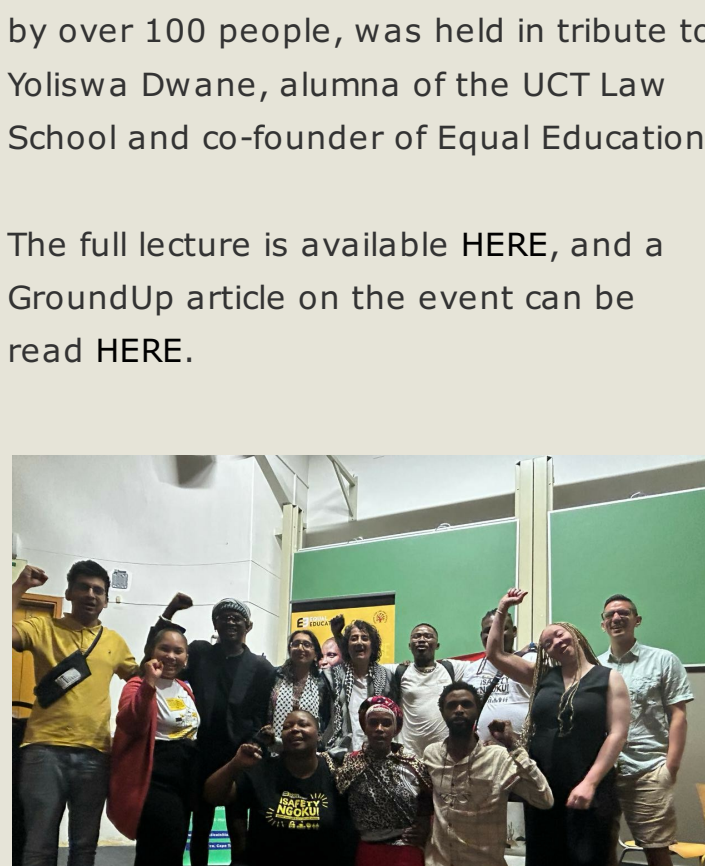


Stellenbosch Law is hosting their 18th Annual Human Rights Lecture - on Tuesday 19 March from 18h00. Delivered by **Justice Jody Kollapen**, the lecture is titled 'Raising socio-economic rights in an unequal society'. The lecture will be in-person and online and RSVPs can be sent [HERE](#).

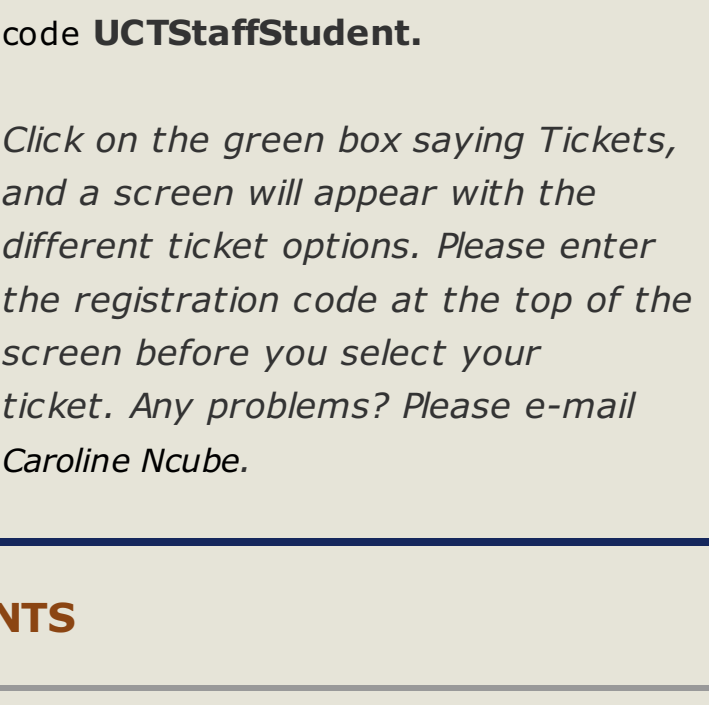
Business & Human Rights Conference

25 & 26 April 2024

Professor Danwood Chirwa is co-hosting a two-day conference on *Business & Human Rights* here at the Faculty with **Notre Dame Law School**, with whom the Faculty is developing a partnership. Colleagues will recall the visit last November from Notre Dame Law School, to discuss that partnership potential. This conference is the first formal partnership initiative. We will keep you posted as more details are available.



The Local & Global: Connecting Struggles for Justice and Equality
On Friday, 1 March, the Centre for Law and Society co-hosted the **2nd annual Yoliswa Dwane lecture** with the social movement, Equal Education. **Fatima Hassan**, director of Health Justice Initiative, delivered a talk on solidarity and activism in a time of global and local inequality. The annual lecture, attended by over 100 people, was held in tribute to Yoliswa Dwane, alumna of the UCT Law School and co-founder of Equal Education. The full lecture is available [HERE](#), and a GroundUp article on the event can be read [HERE](#).



AI & Law Conference

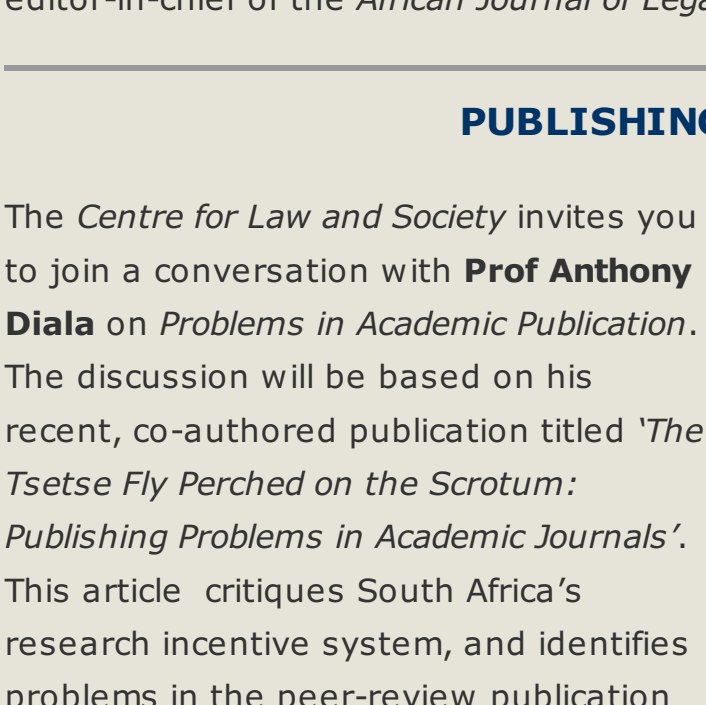
UCT Faculty of Law

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We are half-way through the AI & Law conference registration window for the conference - Registration closes end April. The UCT staff and student registration code is now available! Register [HERE](#) and use the code **UCTStaffStudent**.

Click on the green box saying 'Tickets, and a screen will appear with the different ticket options. Please enter the registration code at the top of the screen before you select your ticket. Any problems? Please e-mail Caroline Noobe.

EVENTS



Book Launch: Capture in the Court
Bookable: 10 March 2024 (10h00 - 14h00)
Kramer LT3

BOOK LAUNCH
The Centre for Law and Society is pleased to host the UCT book launch of **Dan Mafora's Capture in the Court: In Defence of Judges and the Constitution** Wednesday, 13 March 13h00 - 14h00 Kramer LT3

Mafora will be in conversation with Professor Anthony Diale (University of the Western Cape). Light refreshments will be provided, so please RSVP to pbl-ids@uct.ac.za by Friday, 8 March 2024.

About Capture in the Court

The judiciary faces a barrage of attacks not just from the ruling ANC but from other political parties clamouring for power. There comes a predictable phase in the cycle of politics where this is most likely to occur. Why does it benefit political parties to deflect from their failure to deliver with calls for parliamentary sovereignty? Why do so many myths circulate about the nature of our courts and constitution? *Capture in the Court* provides much-needed insight on these pressing issues. The book, published by Tafelberg, was on the Exclusive Books Bestseller List for 2023.

About the speakers

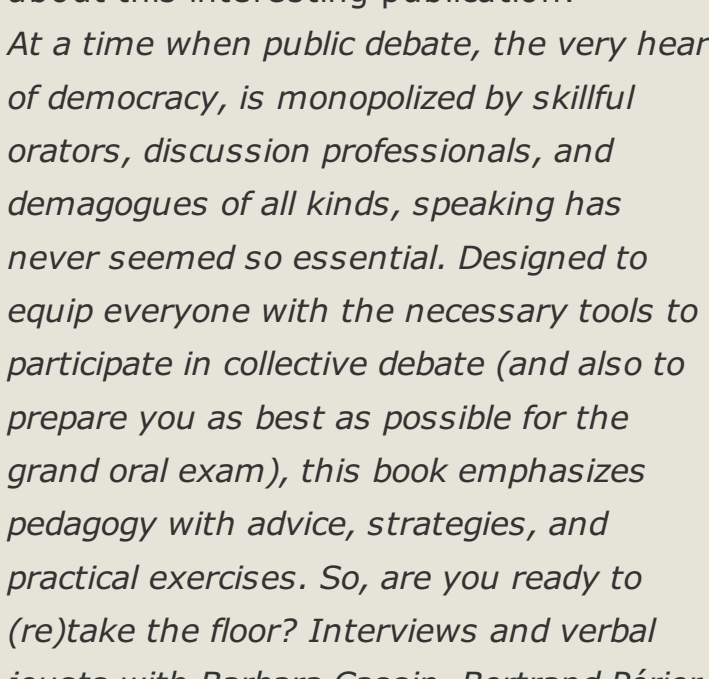
Dan Mafora is a lawyer and a commentator on South African law with a focus on constitutional law. He works in advocacy and public interest litigation. He previously worked for the Constitutional Court of South Africa. He writes about law, philosophy, politics, writing, literature, and the relationships between them. He is a masters student at the University of Cape Town, working on his thesis in constitutional law and theory.

Professor Anthony Diale is a professor of law and foundation director of the Centre for Legal Integration in Africa at the University of the Western Cape. He is also co-editor-in-chief of the *African Journal of Legal Studies*.

PUBLISHING DISCUSSION

The Centre for Law and Society invites you to join a conversation with **Prof Anthony Diale** on *Problems in Academic Publication*. The discussion will be based on his recent, co-authored publication titled *The Tsetse Fly Perched on the Scrotum: Publishing Problems in Academic Journals*. This article critiques South Africa's research incentive system, and identifies problems in the peer-review publication process. **Diale** is a professor of law and foundation director of the Centre for Legal Integration in Africa at the University of the Western Cape. He is also co-editor-in-chief of the *African Journal of Legal Studies*.

Date: Thursday, 14 March 2024
Time: 15h00-16h00
Venue: Faculty Common Room, 4th Floor



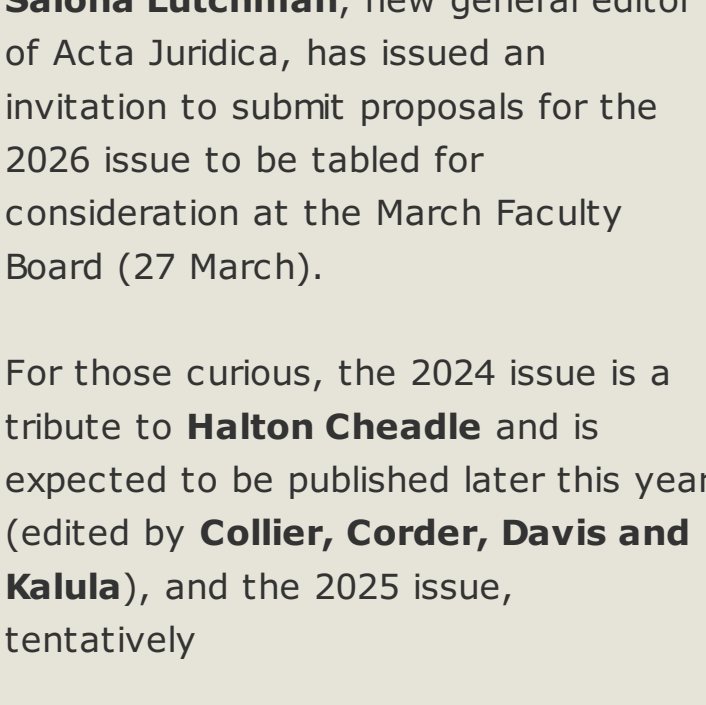
For catering purposes, please RSVP to [Jemma Thomas](mailto:jemma.thomas@uct.ac.za).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS & DATES

Invites will be sent out to calendars

19 March
Faculty Reception for **Professor Reinhard Zimmermann**, 16h00, Faculty Common Room
26 March
Faculty Graduation Celebration, 11h30 - 13h00, Plus Langa Quad 85 x LLBs, 111 x Master's, and 5 x PG Dips.
16 April
UCT Law celebrates 165 years since the delivery of the very first law lecture on 16 April 1859
7 May
Prof Mohamed Paleker's Inaugural Lecture, 17h30 at the Faculty (LT3)

PUBLICATIONS



Distinguished Professor Philippe Salazar contributed to a recently published book. This book is by philosophers of rhetoric, and is written for a lay audience who would like to understand rhetoric and the art of speaking well.

The book - titled *L'Art de bien parler* - is available in French and is published by *Libre de Poche* (the French equivalent to Penguin Books).

The publisher's summary shares the following (roughly translated) paragraph about this interesting publication:
At a time when public debate, the very heart of democracy, is monopolized by skillful orators, discussion professionals, and demagogues of all kinds, speaking has never seemed so essential. Designed to equip everyone with the necessary tools to participate in collective debate (and also to prepare you as best as possible for the grand oral exam), this book emphasizes pedagogy with advice, strategies, and practical exercises. So, are you ready to (re)take the floor? Interviews and verbal jousts with Barbara Cassin, Bertrand Héner, Charles Ripon, Philippe-Joseph Salazar, and Clément Viktorovitch.

Dr Annette Hübschle, in the Public Law Department's Global Risk Governance Programme, was co-editor of the new Special Issue of the *International Journal for Crime, Justice and Social Democracy* on green criminological perspectives from Africa. (Vol. 13 / 1, 2024).

Dr Hübschle also co-authored two articles published in this special edition. They are available at the link above:
Green Criminological Dialogues: Voices from Africa
David Rodriguez Goyes University of Oslo, Norway; Annette Hübschle University of Cape Town, South Africa; Ifesinachi Okafor-Yarwood University of St Andrews, United Kingdom; Nigel South, University of Essex, United Kingdom.

Voices from the Frontlines in the Okavango River Basin: Towards a Cooperative Model of Environmental Activism in the Global South
Annette Hübschle, University of Cape Town, South Africa; Kalena Kerina, Namibia; Emmanuel Ngende, University of Botswana, Botswana; Kekgoatlse Suping, University of Botswana, Botswana.

REMINDER:

Acta Juridica 2026 | Call for Proposals

Salona Lutchman, new general editor of *Acta Juridica*, has issued an invitation to submit proposals for the 2026 issue to be tabled for consideration at the March Faculty Board (27 March).

For those curious, the 2024 issue is a tribute to **Hallon Cheadle** and is expected to be published later this year (edited by **Collier, Corder, Davis and Katula**), and the 2025 issue, tentatively

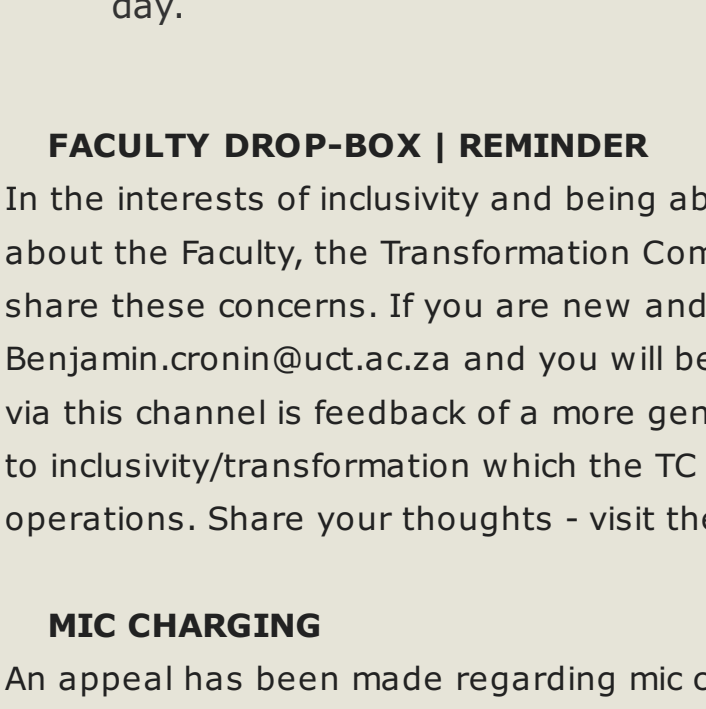
titled, *Mission 2055 The Labour Relations Act 66 of 1995: 30 years on and 30 years beyond*, is on its way too (edited by **Rochelle le Roux**).

If anyone would like more information about what a proposal should contain or if you have any questions about the journal, please be in touch with Salona Lutchman.

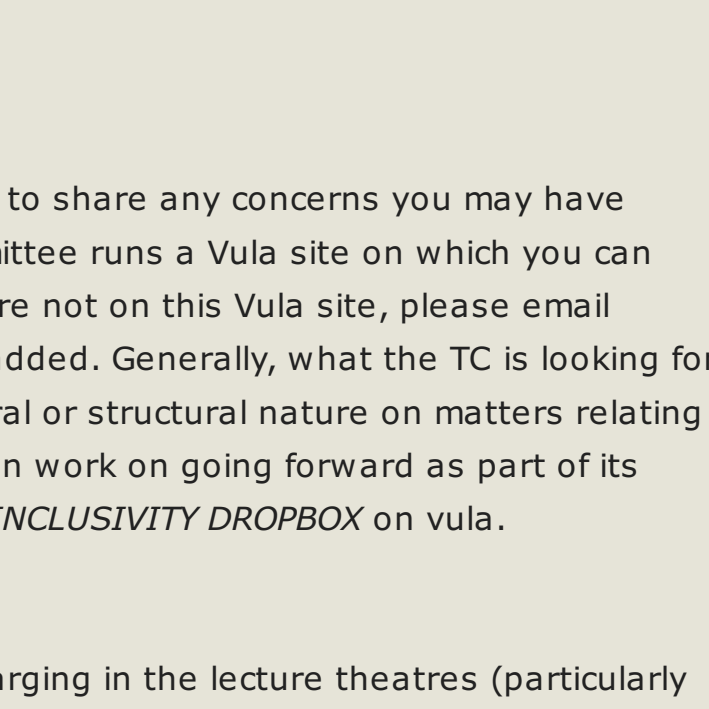
Feminist Encounters: A Journal of Critical Studies in Culture and Politics

Prof Pierre de Vos and **Prof Jaco Barnard-Naudé** have both just published articles in *Feminist Encounters: A Journal of Critical Studies in Culture and Politics*.

Prof de Vos's article is titled entitled *"We Hope He Will Be Dead by Tonight": Shared Estrangement in the ICU of the Universitas Hospital*, and recounts (according to the journal's online abstract) the week in which the author and his four sisters spent waiting for their father to die, and suggests that intimacy or friendship viewed as 'shared estrangement' - a friendship or intimacy not rooted in sharing common ground - might provide a lens through which to consider the nature of the deep bond that developed between the author and his siblings during that week. Raising the possibility that the relationship between author and his sisters could in some ways be read as a queer one, not least because it demanded an openness to alterity and requires attention and care, mutual trust, and, bizarre as it may sound, even betrayal, the author suggests that a deep bond slowly developed between the siblings during the week being described, not despite the profound differences between the siblings, but partly because of it.



Prof Barnard-Naudé, above



Prof Pierre de Vos, right

Prof Barnard-Naudé's article is titled *And Losing Thus the Boundary / Of the Finite Me, / Diffusing Outward, I Approach / The Edges of Infinity' (Plath, 2020: 133) - The Two Dimensions of Extimacy in Contemporary Psychoanalytic Thought*. According to the journal's online abstract, the article investigates the meaning and value of Jacques Lacan's term 'extimacy'. It argues that there are two competing notions of extimacy at work in the literature, a negative one (which dominates the literature) and a positive (nascent) one, which is not yet fully worked out in the literature and to which this contribution offers a form of development through the recourse to the instance of the (own) letter in the unconscious. The author associates the positive 'valence' of extimacy with what Paul Cilliers calls 'a certain slowness' which is inextricably tied up with reflection as one of the fundamental features of any successful psychoanalysis, namely an analysis that passes through the *Act*. The author shows how the writing of a love letter - as an instance of slow reflection - not only exposes a (repressed) positive dimension to extimacy, but also (and perhaps because of this) qualifies as an instance of more or less successful self-analysis - what the author associates with a psychic progression of sorts.

FACULTY RESEARCH

RESEARCH PUBLICATION COUNTRY

The Faculty Research Office has sent out its final request to send through all outstanding qualifying research outputs as soon as possible (**by the end of this week**). The deadlines, both initial and extended, have passed and the system will be 'locked' soon. **SEND YOUR PUBLS! Contact** Lamize Viljoen for further info.

ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP

On 22 February 2024, the UCT Tax Institute and the IBD organised a joint public lecture series discussing the OECD *Tax Initiative on Pillar II* (the introduction of a minimum global corporate income tax). **Ben Cronin** and colleagues from the Commerce Faculty participated in a lively discussion at the Century City Conference Centre. The public lecture series was extremely timely as the Minister of Finance introduced to Parliament the Draft Global Minimum Tax Bill the day before, on 21 February.



ANNOUNCEMENT & NOTES

VENUE BOOKINGS

Faculty Common Room and Dean's Committee Room □□□

- Please provide your own presentation devices. The Faculty does not have spare devices, so if you need to present you must please bring your own.
- Please allow time before your event to check that your device is on the correct settings for the system, and that everything is working. **There is no on-site IT support for the equipment in these two newly-equipped venues.**
- For all bookings that take place or continue after hours, please collect the keys from Faiza/Gaby timeously after ensuring somebody WILL be available to give you the venue keys.
- Please ensure that all furniture is moved back to the way it was before your event.
- Servicing Officers or event organisers are responsible for ensuring that the venue is cleared and tidied, and that catering left-overs are taken to the kitchen. This is especially important when there are no P&S staff on duty.
- Keys should be returned first thing in the morning, on the following work day.

FACULTY DROP-BOX | REMINDER

In the interests of inclusivity and being able to share any concerns you may have about the Faculty, the Transformation Committee runs a Vula site on which you can share these concerns. If you are new and are not on this Vula site, please email Benjamin.cronin@uct.ac.za and you will be added. Generally, what the TC is looking for via this channel is feedback of a more general or structural nature on matters relating to inclusivity/transformation which the TC can work on going forward as part of its operations. Share your thoughts - visit the [INCLUSIVITY DROP-BOX](#) on vula.

MIC CHARGING

An appeal has been made regarding mic charging in the lecture theatres (particularly LT3). The mic need to be returned, after your lecture is done, onto the charger in their respective lock boxes for which your staff card is required for access. Prof Schwikard noted that boxes can be in a bit of mess - but it will only take you a few seconds to find the charger that fits. This is essential for the person who is lecturing next.

Got something to share? Have thoughts on what we should include in Faculty Fortnight?

Please send your news & ideas to gaby.riche@uct.ac.za - we'd really like to hear from you.