

NELSON MANDELA
UNIVERSITY



INAUGURAL
RESEARCHWEEK

7 - 11 NOVEMBER 2022

Venue: Ocean Sciences Campus

PROGRAMME

DAY 1
7 NOVEMBER 2022

Global and national policy research enablers

Facilitator: Dr Thandi Mgwebi (DVC – RII)

09H00 – 10H30	Opening and Welcome	Dr Thandi Mgwebi Deputy Vice Chancellor - Research, Innovation and Internationalisation Nelson Mandela University
	STI priorities and societal grand challenges	Mr Imraan Patel Deputy Director General Department of Science and Innovation (DSI)
	Partnering with universities to advance the National Research Fund strategy 2030	Dr Aldo Stroebel Group Executive (Acting) - Strategy Planning and Partnerships National Research Foundation (NRF)
	Beyond boundaries: The intersection of Art5, Humanities and Science. What are the enablers?	Dr Heide Hackmann Director Future Africa
	Moderated Q&A Session	Prof Andre Keet Deputy Vice Chancellor – Engagement and Transformation Nelson Mandela University

10h30 – 11h00 **Tea break**

Funding opportunities and international exchanges for postgraduate students and emerging researchers

Facilitator: Dr Sibongile Sowazi

Director: Bursaries and Scholarships, Strategic Resource Mobilisation and Advancement
Nelson Mandela University

11h00 – 13h00	Panel Discussion	<p>Ms Nontokozo Kunene Human and Infrastructure Capacity Development National Research Fund (NRF)</p> <p>Ms Mandisa Cakwe Director: University Capacity Development Directorate Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)</p> <p>Ms Amelia Marutle British High Commission</p> <p>Ms Charmain Botha Fulbright Scholarship Programme Coordinator United States Embassy, South Africa</p>
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13H00 – 14H00 **Lunch**

Global perspectives on Post Graduate Education

Facilitator: Dr Priscilla Mensah
Director – Research Development
Nelson Mandela University

14h00 – 15H30	<p>Global science landscape and sustainability transitions</p> <p>Global trends in postgraduate education</p> <p>Igniting a passion and curiosity for life-long learning through research</p> <p>Reflection on supervision of postgraduate research: Enhancing student engagement and success</p> <p>Ways to improve graduate employability</p>	<p>Dr Nicole Arbour Executive Director Belmont Forum</p> <p>Prof Annah Moteetee Senior Director: Postgraduate School University of Johannesburg</p> <p>Ms Andrea Govender and Ms Tracy Beck Faculty of Business and Economic Science Nelson Mandela University</p> <p>Prof Norman Nyazema Professor and Research Associate in Health University of Limpopo</p> <p>Prof Heather Nel Senior Director: Institutional Planning Nelson Mandela University</p>
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Ending with Cheese and Wine

DAY 2
8 NOVEMBER 2022

Creating pathways for advancing emerging researcher

Facilitator: Dr Priscilla Mensah

09H00 – 10H30	Highlights from Day 1	Dr Priscilla Mensah Director – Research Development Nelson Mandela University
	Ethics and Integrity in Research Publishing	Prof Norman Nyazema Professor and Research Associate in Health University of Limpopo
	Facets of Research Information and its Management	Mr Lindsay Reid Director – Library and Information Services Nelson Mandela University
	Leveraging International Partnerships to Advance Research	Dr Sepo Hachigonta Director: Strategic Partnerships National Research Foundation
	The Value of a Postdoctoral Fellowship to a Research Career	Ms June-Rose Ngcobo Manager: International Partnerships and Projects University of Pretoria
	Attributes of Successful Postdoctoral Fellows	Dr Thifhelimbilu Daphney Bucher Lecturer and Researcher Cape Peninsula University of Technology

10h30 – 11h00

Tea break

Workshop: Research Ethics in a South African Context

Facilitator: Dr Priscilla Mensah

11h00 – 13h00

The Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), No.4 of 2013 came into effect on 01 July 2021. The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) is facilitating the process to develop a Code of Conduct for Research under POPIA. Within the research setting, POPIA regulates the processing of personal information for research purposes, and the flow of data across South Africa's borders to ensure that any limitations on the right to privacy are justified and aimed at protecting other important rights and interests. The new regulatory system that POPIA establishes will function alongside other legislation and regulatory structures governing research in South Africa. This workshop explores the implications of these developments in the regulatory system for research in South Africa.

Ms Eleni Flack-Davison

Lawyer and Compliance Officer
Wits University

Dr Dalray Gradige

Student Counselling and RECH Chairperson
Nelson Mandela University

Prof Pierre Pistorius

Professor of Zoology and RECA Chairperson
Nelson Mandela University

Mr Siyanda Manqele

Manager: Research Ethics & Postgraduate Studies
University of Zululand and Chair: Eastern Region
Research Ethics CoP for SARIMA

13H00 – 14H00

Lunch

nGAP Seminar: 'Fishers' rights are human rights'

Facilitator: Prof Lynn Biggs

Acting Executive Dean of the Faculty of Law

Nelson Mandela University

<p>14h00 – 15H00</p>	<p>The discussion is based on the case note published in the South African Journal on Human Rights, Special Issue on Class Action Litigation in South 37:1, 126-139, (2021), entitled ‘Fishers’ rights are human rights’: George v Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism 2005 (6) SA 297.</p> <p>In 2004, artisanal fishers, community-based and non-governmental organisations representing approximately 5,000 artisanal fishers from various fishing communities sought relief inter alia under the Promotion of Equality and Prevention of Unfair Discrimination Act 4 of 2000 as a result of the unfair discrimination against them because of the fisheries legal framework. This discussion will focus on this unique class action brought by the fishers in the Equality Court and the decisions resulting from the case. The relief sought by the fishers to remedy the discrimination and inequity was to compel the then Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism to make proper and adequate provision for artisanal fishers in terms of the fisheries legal framework, giving them equitable access to marine resources alongside other marine resource users. The discussion will also briefly look at the impact of the order of the Equality Court, as it served as the trigger to transform small-scale fisheries in South Africa and the human-rights-centred themes reflected in the South African Small-Scale Fisheries Policy and considers the extent to which this policy is aligned to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation’s Small-Scale Fisheries Guidelines of 2015.</p>	<p>Presenter: Ms Anthea Christoffels-Du Plessis Lecturer: Law Management Nelson Mandela University</p> <p>Discussant: Prof Warwick Sauer Department of Ichthyology and Fisheries Science Rhodes University</p> <p>Contributor: Prof Mike Roberts South African Research Chair in Ocean Science and Marine Food Security Nelson Mandela University</p>
<p>15h00 – 16h00</p>	<p>In conversation with senior researchers at Nelson Mandela University</p>	<p>Prof Pamela Maseko Prof Rose Boswell Dr Babalwa Magoqwana Prof Mandy Lombard Dr Gavin Rishworth Prof Andrew Phiri Prof Marshal Sheldon Prof Darelle van Greunen</p>

DAY 3
9 NOVEMBER 2022

Research and Innovation for Global Impact
(Revitalisation of the Humanities)

Facilitator: Dr Babalwa Magoqwana
Senior Lecturer - Sociology and Anthropology
Nelson Mandela University

09H00 – 10H30 (Plenary Session)	Humanities of the Future	Prof. Sarah Mosoeatsa Chief Executive Officer National Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences
	AFeMI and Humanities of the Future	Prof. Pumla Dineo Gqola SARChI Chair in African Feminist Imaginations Nelson Mandela University
	Linking Humanities research to the curriculum	Dr Siphokazi Magadla Senior lecturer: Political and International Studies Rhodes University
	Linking Science and Humanities Eastern Cape Health Systems	Dr Nelly Sharply Senior lecturer: Medical Sociology Walter Sisulu University
	Sexualities, Genders and Queer Studies	Prof. Zethu Matebeni SARChI Chair in Sexualities, Genders and Queer Studies University of Fort Hare Visiting Professor: Centre for Women and Gender Studies Nelson Mandela University
10h30 – 11h00	Tea break	
Parallel Session 1 CMR Symposium Sustainable Futures Oceans and Coastal Science Focus		
11h00 – 11h20	Welcome	Dr Kwezi Mzilikazi Director – Research Support Management Nelson Mandela University
11h20 – 11h50	Prioritisation of coastal and marine biodiversity in South Africa	Dr Linda Harris CMR Research Associate
11h50 – 12h20	Nature based solutions for urban coastlines	Prof. Francesca Porri Senior Scientist at the South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity (SAIAB)
12h20 – 12h50	Indigenous use of coastal areas in Algoa Bay	Dr Zanele Hartmann Postdoctoral Research Fellow under the SARChI Chair in Ocean Cultures and Heritage
12h50 – 13h50	Lunch	
13h50 – 14h20	Water quality and Human Health	Prof. Paula Melariri Associate Professor and Acting Director of Research in the Faculty of Health Sciences

14h20 – 14h50	Land and Sea integration through Jurisdiction	Prof. Patrick Vrancken SARCHI Chair in Law of the Sea and Development in Africa and a professor in the Department of Public Law
14h50 – 15h20	Can Sardine fishing be sustainable for African Penguins	Adj. Prof. Lorien Pichegru Acting Director of the Institute for Coastal and Marine Research (CMR)
15h20 – 15h30	Vote of Thanks	Prof. Janine Adams SARCHI Chair in Shallow Water Ecosystems and a distinguished professor in the Department of Botany

Parallel Session 2
Environmental Stewardship and Sustainable Livelihoods

11h00 – 11h15	Studying the past to conserve the future: Palaeoecological research in the Cape Floristic Region	Dr Lynn Quick Senior Research Fellow, ACCP
11h15 – 11h30	The role of palaeoecological investigation in promoting climate science literacy and sustainable development: Case study using archaeobotanical work at Knysna Eastern Heads cave 1	Dr Bongekile Zwane Postdoctoral fellow, ACCP
11h30 – 11h45	Lives, people and place in a social-geographical context	Dr Liezel Williams-Bruinders Department of Geosciences Nelson Mandela University
11h45 – 12h00	Land, development and sustainable livelihoods: The geographical connection	Dr Anton de Wit Department of Geosciences Nelson Mandela University
12h00 – 12h15	Q&A Session	Facilitator
12h15 – 12h30	The refugee species concept – a conservation conundrum	Prof. Graham Kerley Emeritus Professor – ACE Nelson Mandela University
12h30 – 12h45	How biodiversity and fire contribute to carbon storage in Afromontane grasslands	Prof. Mariska te Beest Copernicus Institute of Sustainable Development Utrecht University, Netherlands Research Associate - ACE Nelson Mandela University
12h45 – 13h00	Contribution of citizen science to Sustainable Development Goals in the Eastern cape Karoo	Dr Nyaradzo Dhlwayo Postdoctoral fellow, AEON Nelson Mandela University
13h00 – 13h15	Ten years of Mandela-SLU partnership: Future opportunities	Prof. Joris Cromsigt Swedish University for Agricultural Sciences Honorary Professor, ACE Nelson Mandela University
13h15 – 13h30	Q&A Session	Facilitator
13h30 – 14h00	Lunch	

**Mandela In Conversation
Townhall Session**

Facilitator: Prof Andre Keet
DVC: Engagement and Transformation

14h00 – 16h00	Moving the Research Dial: Partnering to take Mandela University Research and Innovation from Good to Great	DVC – RII Executive Deans RII Directors Director – Centre for Community Technologies
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DAY 4
10 NOVEMBER 2022

Facilitator:
Ms Jetane Charsley-Head of NIPMO

09h00 – 10h00	Keynote Commercialisation of Research	Mr Tom Hockaday Director: Technology Transfer Innovation Author: University Technology Transfer – What it is and how to do it
10h00 – 11h00	University Spin- out companies - The Journey	Entrepreneur: Prof Bavesh Kana University research-based spin-out company Wits University Entrepreneur: Mr Robert Bosch University research-based spin-out company Former Nelson Mandela University student
11h30 – 11h30	Tea break	
11h30 – 13h30	Panel Discussion: Innovation, Knowledge Transfer and Entrepreneurship	Technology Innovation Agency: Mr Brian Mphahlele Executive: Commercialisation Department of Trade Innovation Competition Ms Nontombi Marule Director: Innovation and Technology Spoor & Fisher: Ms Dina Biagio Patent/Commercial Attorney Seed South Capital: Mr Sakhile Xulu Venture Capital Funder
13h30 – 14h15	Lunch	
14h15 – 15h45	Innovation Competition Postgraduate students (from honours) pitch their business plans	Adjudicators: Innovation Office - Dr Nqobile Gumede Director Student Governance and Development Ms Karen Snyman Specialist: Student Entrepreneurship EL Industrial Development Zone - STP Ms Ludwe Macingwane Operations Manager Harvest OverFlow - Mr Sakhumzi Dukwe Managing Director Propella Incubator - Mr Grant Minnie Senior Industrial Advisor Prize: R100k for Seed Fund

DAY 5
11 NOVEMBER 2022

Open Science and Open Education Seminar

Facilitator:

Mr Gino Fransman

09h00 – 09h30	Opening and Welcome	Dr Thandi Mgwebi DVC: Research, Innovation and Internationalisation Nelson Mandela University
09h30 – 09h50	The Library and Open Science at Stellenbosch University – A journey of impact	Mimi Seyffert-Wirth Deputy Director: Digital Scholarship Stellenbosch University
09h50 – 10h10	The research domino: improved research visibility for improved productivity	Dr Reggie Raju Director: Research and Learning Services University of Cape Town
10h10 – 10h40	Discussion	All
10h40 – 11h10	Tea break	
11h10 – 11h30	Transformational Agreements –implications for Nelson Mandela University Scholarship	Mr Glenn Truran SANLIC Director South African National Library and Information Consortium
11h30 - 11h50	OpenAccess:Unlockingsolutionstoanation	Dr Tiyani T Mabunda Director: Open Scholarship North-West University
11h50 - 12h10	RoutestoOpeningUp@MandelaUniandinternationally	Gino Fransman Open Ed Influencers Project Leader Nelson Mandela University
12h10 – 12h40	Discussion	All
12h40 – 13h00	Closure	Mr Lindsay Reid Director: LISC Nelson Mandela Univesity
13h00	Lunch	

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