

# THE MANDELA INITIATIVE

*Dialogue and action to overcome poverty and inequality*

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## MANDELA INITIATIVE WORKSHOP 12 – 14 FEBRUARY 2018 GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, UCT

### DAY ONE 12 FEBRUARY

Times	Session	Presenters	Discussants	Chairs/Facilitators
09h00 – 09h15	<b>OPENING AND WELCOME</b>	Crain Soudien		
09h15 – 12h15	<b>SESSION ONE: CONSTITUTIONAL &amp; POLITICAL CONTEXT</b>			Mamphela Ramphela
30 mins	The role of the Constitution in helping to eliminate structural inequality and poverty?	Albie Sachs		
20 minutes	Discussants		Narnia Bohler-Muller & Sinxolo Mbayi	
15 minutes	Plenary discussion			
20 minutes	'Betrayal of the Promise' – setting the political context and suggesting implications for thinking about policy	Ivor Chipkin		
10 minutes	Discussant		Nomalanga Mkhize	
<b>10h50 – 11h05</b>	<b>TEA/COFFEE</b>			
30 minutes	Assessment of key legislation and the Acceleration of Fundamental Change - Report of the High-Level Panel commissioned by Parliament	Deputy Speaker of the House of Assembly: Lechesa Tsenoli		
10 minutes	Discussant		Dinga Sikwebu	
30 minutes	Plenary discussion			
<b>12h15 – 13h15</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>			

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<b>13h15 – 14h55</b>	<b>SESSION TWO: MI DRAFT SYNTHESIS REPORT</b>			Francis Wilson
35 minutes	Presentation	Judy Favish /Murray Leibbrandt		
20 minutes	Discussants		Axolile Notywala & Ayabonga Cawe	
45 minutes	Plenary discussion			
<b>14h55 – 15h10</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>			
<b>15h10 – 17h25</b>	<b>SESSION THREE: STRATEGIES FOR INCLUSIVE GROWTH</b>			Khulekani Mathe
30 minutes	Presentation	Miriam Altman		
45 minutes	Discussants x 2		Busani Ngcaweni, Trevor Manuel, & Trudi Makhaya	
45 minutes	Open discussion			
15 minutes	Responses from panelists			
<b>17h30 – 19h00</b>	<b>SOCIAL EVENT</b>			
<b>DAY TWO</b>	<b>13 FEBRUARY</b>			
<b>08h30 – 09h30</b>	<b>SESSION FOUR: LESSONS LEARNED ABOUT WAYS OF ENGAGING AROUND POLICY TO ENHANCE IMPACT</b>			Laura Poswell
	Presentations	Leslie London, Imraan Valodia, Arianne de Lannoy, Edgar Pieterse, Rudi Dicks		

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<b>09h30 – 12h30</b>	<b>SESSION FIVE: COMMISSIONS</b>		Edgar Pieterse
	Commission One: ECD/ first 1000 days, Basic Education, & Health	Facilitators	Shanaaz Mathews & Mastoera Sadan
	Commission Two: Labour Market and Youth	Facilitators	Haroon Borat and Najwah Allie-Edries
	Commission Three: Urbanisation, informality & spatial inequality; rural economy and land reform; & transport	Facilitators	Edgar Pieterse & Ben Cousins
	Commission Four: Social Cohesion & Sustainable Development	Facilitators	Mamphela Ramphele & Ayesha Fokie
	Commission Five: Growth and employment	Andrew Donaldson	Andrew Donaldson
	Individual → plenary discussion		
	<b>Questions for Commissions</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do the inputs adequately explain the persistence of structural poverty and inequality?</li> <li>• Do you agree that these are the key recommendations?</li> <li>• Is sufficient attention paid to enabling effective local interventions?</li> <li>• What other options should be considered to advance the goal of eliminating structural inequality and poverty and establishing an equitable and sustainable society?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How would the recommendations help advance inclusive growth?</li> <li>• What do you think the priorities are?</li> <li>• What can we learn from examples of innovative practices highlighted in the synthesis report for building the capacity of people in government to work in collaborative, responsive and multi-sectoral ways?</li> </ul>	

Sessions			
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<b>11h00 – 11h15</b>	<b>TEA/COFFEE</b>		
75 minutes	Commissions (cont)		
<b>12h30 – 13h10</b>	<b>REPORT BACKS FROM COMMISSIONS</b>		Edgar Pieterse
	2 X 20 report backs	Facilitators	
<b>13h10 – 14h10</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>		
60 minutes	3 x 20 report backs	Facilitators	
<b>15h10 – 15h30</b>	<b>TEA/COFFEE</b>		
<b>15h30 – 16h30</b>	<b>SESSION SIX: DISTILLATION OF CROSS CUTTING ISSUES AND PRIORITIES FOR ATTENTION</b>		Edgar Pieterse

#### DAY THREE 14 FEBRUARY

Time	Session	Presenters	Facilitators
<b>09h00 – 10h00</b>	<b>SESSION SEVEN: REFLECTIONS ON THE MI PROCESSES AND PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE</b>		Chairs/Facilitators
45 minutes	Presentations	Crain Soudien & Francis Wilson	Nelson Mandela Foundation
15 minutes	Plenary discussion		
<b>10h15 – 10h30</b>	<b>TEA/COFFEE</b>		
10h30 – 11h30	Surveying the landscape: Whose doing what?		Nelson Mandela Foundation
11h30 – 13h00	Going forward: Towards a national conversation		Nelson Mandela Foundation
13h00	<b>CLOSURE</b>		
<b>13h00 – 14h00</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>		

## Short bios of presenters and discussants

**Albie Sachs** started practice as an advocate at the Cape Bar aged 21, defending people charged under racial statutes and security laws under South African apartheid. After being arrested and placed in solitary confinement for over five months for his work in the freedom movement, he went into exile in England, where he completed a PhD from Sussex University. In 1988, in Maputo, Mozambique, he lost an arm and his sight in one eye when a bomb was placed in his car. After the bombing, he devoted himself to the preparations for a new democratic constitution for South Africa. He returned to South Africa and served as a member of the Constitutional Committee and the National Executive of the African National Congress. He was appointed to the Constitutional Court of South Africa in 1994.

**Andrew Donaldson** is a former Deputy Director-General of the National Treasury, who served as head of the Budget Office and subsequently the Public Finance division. You could also add that I am currently a research associate of SALDRU. Donaldson contributed to the work of the Katz Commission on tax policy, served on the Committee of Inquiry into a National Health Insurance System, was a member of the team that drafted the 1996 macroeconomic strategy and served on the Interdepartmental Task Team on Social Security and Retirement Reform. In 2013, he was appointed acting head of National Treasury's Government Technical Advisory Centre which supports public finance management, public-private partnerships, employment facilitation and infrastructure investment. He is chairperson of the Steering Committee of the Research Project on Employment, Income Distribution and Inclusive Growth. He is currently a research associate of SALDRU.

**Ariane De Lannoy** is a chief researcher at the Poverty and Inequality Initiative/ Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit at the University of Cape Town. Her work has a consistent focus on youth and youth development in the complex context of post-apartheid South Africa. Ariane has a PhD in Sociology, from the University of Cape Town. Applying a Mixed Methods approach, the PhD study focused on *Educational Decision-Making in an era of AIDS*. It explored the interplay between structural barriers and individual agency and its impact on the choices young people make regarding their educational trajectory. In collaboration with Katherine S. Newman, current Provost at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst (USA) Ariane later worked on *After Freedom: The Rise of the Post-Apartheid Generation in Democratic South Africa*. In 2015, she was the lead editor of the *2015 Child Gauge*, which focused on *Youth and the Intergenerational Transmission of Poverty*.

**Axolile Notywala** is a social activist and since June 2017 the General Secretary of the Social Justice Coalition, a grassroots social-movement campaigning for safe, healthy, and dignified communities in some of South Africa's largest, most underdeveloped townships. Before that he headed the coalition's local government programme, which is focused on improving access to water, sanitation, and other services in informal settlements; promoting active citizenship, participation, and accountability through social audits; and promoting participation and transparency in the development of local government

budgets. Notywala is a 2015 alumnus of the Building Bridges Leading in Public Life Programme of the University of Cape Town, a 2016 Mandela Washington Fellow and served as a board member of the My Vote Counts campaign from 2012 - 2017.

**Ayabonga Cawe** is a Johannesburg based development economist, columnist, radio presenter, photographer and activist. He is Managing Director of Xesibe Holdings (Pty) Ltd, a platform involved in advisory, facilitation and content development across a wide range of fields. He hosts #PowerHour on PowerFM, a political economy and policy show and writes a regular column for the Daily Maverick and the BusinessDay. Prior to this he was Economic Justice Manager at Oxfam South Africa (OZA) working on policy advocacy and research. He has also worked as an Associate Consultant at Dalberg Global Development Advisors, a global development strategy consulting and policy advisory firm. He is also a co-founder of Rethink Africa NPC, a youth-led policy research, advocacy and advisory organisation. He has taken part in a wide range of research, advisory and policy engagements on development issues in agriculture, rail, urban design and labour market policy. Ayabonga recently sat on the National Minimum Wage Advisory Panel appointed by the Deputy President and Nedlac, which advised on the R20/hour proposal.

**Busani Ngcaweni** has been Deputy Director-General in The Presidency since 2008. Prior to that, he worked as senior policy analyst in the Policy Unit of the Presidency, following tenure as director at Umsobomvu Youth Fund. He has worked as researcher for various academic and private sector institutions. His edited books include “Nelson R Mandela: Decolonial Ethics of Liberation and Servant Leadership” (Africa World Press, 2018), “Sizonqoba: Outliving AIDS in Southern Africa” (Africa Institute/HSRC, 2016), “Liberation Diaries: Reflections on Twenty Years of Democracy in South Africa” (Jacana Media, 2014) and “The Future we Chose: Emerging Perspectives on the Centenary of the ANC” (Africa Institute/HSRC, 2013).

**Crain Soudien** is the Chief Executive Officer of the Human Sciences Research Council and formerly a Deputy Vice-Chancellor at the University of Cape Town, where he remains an Emeritus Professor in Education and African Studies. His publications are in the areas of social difference, culture, education policy, comparative education, educational change, public history and popular culture. These include three books, three edited collections and over 190 articles, reviews, reports, and book chapters. He is involved in a number of local, national and international social and cultural organisations and is the Chairperson of the Independent Examinations Board, the former Chairperson of the District Six Museum Foundation, a former President of the World Council of Comparative Education Societies, has been the chair of the Ministerial Committee on Transformation in Higher Education and is currently the chair of the Ministerial Committee to evaluate textbooks for discrimination. He is a fellow of a number of local and international academies and serves on the boards of a number of cultural, heritage, education.

**Dinga Sikwebu** is the co-director for programmes at Tshisimani Centre for Activist Education which aims to nourish, replenish and sustain the power and capacity of activist movements, organisations and networks engaged in grassroots struggle to build a just society in South Africa and internationally. He is a

member of the interim National Working Committee of the United Front elected in December 2014. Sikwebu has been coordinating the implementation of the resolutions of the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (Numsa) in December 2013 to build a United Front and explore the establishment of the Movement for Socialism. He was previously Numsa's head of education, and his association with the union movement goes back to 1979 when he worked for a British multinational corporation. Over the years, Sikwebu has written and published many articles analysing the labour movement in South Africa.

**Edgar Pieterse** is founding director of the African Centre for Cities (ACC) at the University of Cape Town. He is co-author with AbdouMaliq Simone of: *New Urban Worlds: Inhabiting Dissonant Times* (2017) and recent co-edited books include: *African Cities Reader III: Land, Property & Value* (2015), *Africa's Urban Revolution* (2014) and *Rogue Urbanism: Emergent African Cities* (2013). He was Chairperson of the Panel of Experts that supported the South African government in the development of the Integrated Urban Development Framework. He also serves on the Advisory Boards of: Indian Institute for Human Settlements (Bangalore), LSE Cities (London), the Gauteng City-region Observatory (Jo'burg), and the International Panel on Social Progress.

**Francis Wilson** has been working in the School of Economics at UCT since 1967. Currently he is a Research Associate at SALDRU, working on issues of poverty & inequality.

**Imraan Valodia** is Dean of the Faculty of Commerce, Law and Management, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg. He was previously based at the School of Built Environment and Development Studies, University of KwaZulu-Natal. Professor Valodia has led and participated in a number of large national and international studies. In the recent period, he led an international study, in 10 cities across the globe, of the informal economy using a combination of quantitative and qualitative methodologies. He is a part time member of the Competition Tribunal in South Africa. He is also a Commissioner of the South African Employment Conditions Commission and a member of the Academy of Science of South Africa (Assaf) Standing Committee on Science for the Reduction of Poverty and Inequality. In August 2016 Professor Valodia was appointed by Deputy President Cyril Rampaphosa to chair the Advisory Panel on the National Minimum Wage, which presented a Report to the Nedlac social partners in November 2016.

**Ivor Chipkin** is the executive director of the Public Affairs Research Institute and an associate professor at the University of the Witwatersrand. He completed his PhD at the Ecole Normale Supérieure in France and was based at the Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research (WISER) between 2001 and 2004. Dr Chipkin received an Oppenheimer fellowship in 2005 and took up a position at the University of Oxford. He spent 4 years in the Democracy and Governance Programme at the Human Sciences Research Council where he acquired an intimate knowledge of government departments and agencies. He has published widely on questions of government, governance and the State in South Africa.

**Judy Favish** was Director of Institutional Planning at the University of Cape Town from 2003 - 2016. Previously she worked as a Director of Planning in the Gauteng Department of Education and the Cape Technikon. She has served on the Boards of the Further Education and Training Board, the Higher Education

Quality Committee (HEQC), the Learning Cape, and the Childrens' Institute. She currently serves on the Academic Advisory Committee of Tsiba, a not-for-profit College, and is the Deputy Chair of the Council of the False Bay Technical Vocational Education and Training College. She served for 10 years as the co-chair of a joint task team of representatives from universities in the Western Cape and the Western Cape Provincial Government. She has published in the area of engaged scholarship and has served on several national NRF panels on Community Engagement in Higher Education

**Lechesa Tsenoli** serves as Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly. Before his election as Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly, he served in the Executive branch of government, first as Deputy Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform from October 2011 and then as Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs from July 2013 until the May 2014 national and provincial elections. He has a long history of political activism in communities, youth and civic organisations. He was the Publicity Secretary of the United Democratic Front (UDF) in Natal, served as the founding National Deputy President and later President of the South African National Civics Organisation (SANCO) and was an active member of the ANC underground. He is currently a member of the Central Committee of the South African Communist Party (SACP).

**Leslie London** is a specialist in Public Health Medicine and oversees the training programmes for health professional students and registrars in Public Health Medicine within the Department of Public Health and Family Medicine, University of Cape Town. He also heads the department's Health and Human Rights Programme which has a broad research and training mandate addressing health as a socio-economic right, and examining human rights and ethical issues in relation to the practice of health professionals. His research interests include the ethics of public health policies, conflict of interest and human rights in health systems, with a focus on participation and the position of health committees as vehicles for democratic governance in the health system. He was awarded the SAMA-Bonitas Housecall Doctor's Awards for Equity and Justice and is an active member of the People's Health Movement.

**Miriam Altman** is a Commissioner on the National Planning Commission (NPC) in the South African Presidency. She was a significant contributor to SA's first National Development Plan. From 2013-2016, Miriam was Head of Strategy and Regulatory Affairs for the Telkom Group, SA's largest fixed line telecommunications operator and a public listed, partially state-owned company. Miriam was Executive Director at the Human Sciences Research Council in South Africa from 2002 to 2013. She is an Adjunct Professor at Graduate School of Development Policy and Practice, University of Cape Town, a non-resident Fellow at the Center for Emerging Markets at CEIBS in Shanghai, and has lectured at Tsinghua University's Graduate School of Public Policy and Management and Fudan University's Economics Department.

**Murray Leibbrandt** is the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Poverty and Inequality, at the University of Cape Town, and the director of the Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit. He holds the DST-NRF South African Research Chair in Poverty and Inequality Research. Professor Leibbrandt's research analyses

South African poverty, inequality and labour market dynamics using survey data and, in particular, panel data. He is one of the principal investigators in National Income Dynamics Study.

**Narnia Bohler-Muller** is Executive Director of the Democracy Governance and Service Delivery research programme at the Human Sciences Research Council and an adjunct Professor of the Nelson R Mandela School of Law at the University of Fort Hare. Previously she was Professor of Law at Vista University and Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, and research director of social sciences at the Africa Institute of South Africa. As a well-published academic, Professor Bohler-Muller's research interests include international and constitutional law, human rights, democracy, governance and social justice. In 2016, She was shortlisted as one of 14 candidates for the position of Public Protector.

**Nomalanga Mkhize** is associate professor and history lecturer at the Sociology and Anthropology department of the Nelson Mandela University. Her research interests are land and agrarian questions, 19th century South African history, gender and language, and youth subcultures. Dr Mkhize was a recipient of the Andrew Mellon Accelerated Development Programme. Previously, she was a lecturer in the history department at Rhodes University, and a project coordinator for non-governmental organisation Save Our Schools. She regularly writes opinion pieces for popular news media, and has also written books for children in African languages.

**Rudi Dicks** is employed in the Department of Planning Monitoring and Evaluation. Previously he was the Executive Director in the National Labour and Economic Development Institute. He has also worked as the Labour Market/Trade and Industrial Policy Coordinator in COSAT and as a research coordinator in the School of Government, University of the Western Cape.

**Sinoxolo Mbayi** is a law student at the University of Cape Town. He played a leading role in the Fees Must Fall Movement. He was involved in negotiating the agreement between the University and the movement known as 'Shackville TRC' in 2016.

**Trevor Manuel** served as a Cabinet Minister from 1994 to 2014 under the first four successive Presidents in democratic South Africa. His cabinet responsibilities included Trade and Industry, Finance and, in the Presidency, the National Planning Commission. His ministerial career highlights have tracked two decades of major development in the South African economy. As chairperson of the NPC he oversaw the drafting of the broadly accepted first-ever National Development Plan for the country. Manuel held many positions on international bodies, commissions and task teams, and has received a number of international awards and presentations. He is an Honorary Professor at UCT School of Development Policy and Practice. He serves on the Boards of Old Mutual Group Holdings, Swiss Re, Rothschild South Africa and is a trustee on the Allan Gray Orbis Endowment Trust.

**Trudi Makhaya** is CEO of Makhaya Advisory, a research, advisory and stakeholder engagement firm, and a director of companies. Trudi is a columnist for Business Day and has published academic articles on competition economics and policy. A Rhodes Scholar with an MBA and an MSc in Development Economics from Oxford, she was previously Deputy Commissioner at the Competition Commission.

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