



## Mini-Conference: Governing and Living with Urban Insecurity

29 – 31 January 8:30 – 13:00

6 Spin Street, Cape Town CBD

This conference focuses on the everyday practices and politics of governing and living with (in-)security in the City of Cape Town. Participants can expect lectures on Southern Urbanism, socio-spatial exclusion, and everyday security politics.

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## 29.01 Southern Urbanism

08:30 – 08:45 Arrival Refreshments

08:45 – 09:00 Opening Remarks – Dr Jonas Hagmann

09:00 – 10:00 Opening Keynote – Prof Edgar Pieterse: Experimentation towards sustainable urbanisation in Africa

10:15 – 10:30 Refreshments

10:45 – 11:30 Dr Sylvia Croese: Towards 2030: urban research, policy and practice in Africa

11:30 – 11:45 Refreshments

11:45 – 13:00 Prof Ivan Turok: Insecurity and informality in jobs and housing: What can be done?



## Speakers: 29.1

### Prof Edgar Pieterse, African Centre for Cities



Professor Edgar Pieterse is founding director of the African Centre for Cities (ACC) at the University of Cape Town. He is consulting editor for *Cityscapes*—an international biannual magazine on urbanism in the global South. Edgar 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 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.

### Dr Sylvia Croese, African Centre for Cities



Sylvia Croese obtained her doctoral degree in Sociology from the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa. Her PhD research built on long-standing work as a researcher in Luanda and focused on the politics of state-led development and housing delivery in post-war urban Angola. She has taught in the sociology department of Stellenbosch University and the University of Cape Town (UCT) and published her work in journals such as *African Affairs*, the *Journal of Southern African Studies*, *Habitat International* and *Urban Studies*. She is currently a researcher with the African Centre for Cities at UCT where she is doing work on the governance and implementation of global urban development policy and its interface with urban research.

### Prof Ivan Turok, Human Science Research Council



Professor Ivan Turok is Executive Director at the Human Sciences Research Council in South Africa. He is Editor-in-Chief of the international journal 'Regional Studies' and Honorary Professor at the University of Glasgow. He is also Chairman of the City Planning Commission for Durban. Ivan is an urban and regional economist/planner with over 30 years' experience of research, teaching and policy advice. He is a regular adviser to the United Nations, OECD, African Development Bank, UNECA and several national governments. He is the author of over 150 academic publications, journal articles, book chapters and books, many of which are highly cited internationally.



## 30.01 Urban Governance

08:45 – 09:00 Arrival Refreshments

09:00 – 10:15 Dr Simon Howell: The architecture of violence: Spatial identity and gangsterism in Cape Town

10:15 – 10:30 Refreshments

10:30 – 11:45 Dr Mercy Brown-Luthango: Socio-spatial Inclusion and Safety in Cape Town: Lessons from state interventions in low-income communities in Cape Town

11:45 – 12:00 Refreshments

12:00 – 13:00 Jacqueline Friedenthal: The role of international cooperation in the mitigation of urban insecurities

## Speakers: 30.1

### Dr Simon Howell, Centre for Criminology



Simon is the Research Director of the African Policing Civilian Oversight Forum (APCOF), and a research associate at both the Institute for Safety Governance and Criminology (SAFGO) and the Global Risk Governance (GRG) programme at the University of Cape Town. His core research interests focus on the relationship between justice and violence, and how this relationship is made manifest both in the structures of modern governance and in the architecture of marginalised peoples' identities. As such, he has conducted research in a diverse array of analytical domains and with people from many different walks of life, including teenage mothers, township youths, drug users, gangsters, and police officials. He holds a PhD in political philosophy from Rhodes University.

### Dr Mercy Brown Luthango, African Centre for Cities



Mercy Brown-Luthango is a sociologist and researcher at the African Centre for Cities at the University of Cape Town. Her main research focus is on the creation of sustainable human settlements with particular interest in the management of urban land and the operation of the urban land market. Within the broad ambit of sustainable human settlements she has also done work on the effectiveness of upgrading of informal settlements as a tool to improve safety and reduce crime and violence in informal settlements as well as how urban communities engage the State and other actors in the provision of infrastructure and services. Recent work has focussed on youth identity and youth experiences in the city.

### Jacqueline Friedenthal, Embassy of Switzerland in South Africa



Jacqueline Friedenthal has a Master's in Public Health. She commenced at the Science and Technology Counsellor at the Swiss Embassy in South Africa in 2010 where she initiated the science and technology programme between Switzerland and South Africa beyond the joint research projects. Jacqueline has 17 years' experience in International Collaboration commencing in 2000 at the Danish Embassy in South Africa. She moved on to the Department of Science and Technology in 2005 where she was responsible for science diplomacy amongst the European and Gulf States. She was responsible for the initiation of a number of science and technology agreements including the Swiss South Africa Science and Technology Agreement that was signed in 2007.





# 31.01 Urban Security & Spatial Exclusion

08:45 – 09:00 Arrival Refreshments

09:00 – 10:15 Barry Lewis

10:15 – 10:30 Refreshments

10:30 – 11:45 Khalied Jacobs: Modernist Determinism and the City of Flux

11:45 – 12:00 Refreshments

12:00 – 13:00 Aditya Kumar: Struggle for urban land and right to the city

13:00 – 13:30 Closing Remarks – Dr Jennifer Duyne

## Speakers: 31.1

### Barry Lewis, Ubuhle Bakha Ubuhle



'Barry Lewis is Director of UBU (Ubuhle Bakha Ubuhle), an organization specifically focused on informality and the upgrade of informal settlements. Formally an architect from the U.K. Barry arrived in Cape Town in 2009 and worked for The Warehouse NGO before founding UBU in 2012, specifically working in an informal community called Sweet Home Farm in Philippi. UBU currently plays the role of facilitator in the current City of Cape Town's UISP (Upgrade of Informal Settlements Program) project in the community. UBU believes that if there's going to be any meaningful transformation in the informal realm over the next 25 years then it will be because the people will do it themselves

### Khalied Jacobs, Jakupa Architects & Urban Designers



Khalied is an urban designer in private practice and is a director at Jakupa Architects and Urban Designers where he manages their urban design portfolio. He's previously consulted to UN-Habitat, was a senior lecturer at UCT's School of Architecture and worked for the City as an architect. He is the Chairperson of UDISA and is a board member of SAPOA Western Cape. He has been a member of SABTACO's National Executive Committee and a board member for the Cape Town Partnership. Khalied has participated in a range of commercial and public projects where he was able to witness the dynamics of participatory planning processes where planning was exercised in dynamic and volatile contexts. These experiences have primarily shaped his humanist ideals in city making which has been the foundation of notions of equity and justice in his work.

### Aditya Kumar, Development Action Group



Trained as an architect and planner from India and Los Angeles, Aditya Kumar brings together 15 years of developmental, post disaster and post conflict experience. He is now an executive Director of Development Action Group (DAG), a leading organization dealing with informality, housing and right to the city based in South Africa. His professional experience includes working as a Director for Community Organization Resource Centre (CORC) affiliated with Slum Dwellers International (SDI), as well as a Head of Design and Planning for Nahr El Bared Palestinian Camp Reconstruction Project with the United Nations, Lebanon (UNRWA). His work focuses on multi-stakeholder partnerships between local communities, CBO's, government bodies, academic institutions and International NGO's.



# Spin Street Restaurant Gallery 6 Spin Street, Cape Town CBD

## Parking:

The closest parking garage (under cover) is at Mandela Rhodes Place. The entrance is in Burg Street, off Wale Street. It is a two block distance.

Alternatively there is street parking (Plein Street, for example) and it is acceptable to park for longer than an hour and pay the attendant on return for extra time.