

## Programme

- 1.30 p.m.** Welcome | dean *Paul Van Royen, UA*
- 1.50 p.m.** Challenges and Opportunities to sustaining scientific excellence in South African Higher Education sector  
*Jeffrey Mphahlele, Vice president Medical Research Commission*
- 2.20 p.m.** University of Limpopo Today  
*Dinkwanyane Mohuba, Executive Director, Marketing and Communication, UL*
- 2.50 p.m.** History and objectives of IUC Limpopo & Sefako Makgatho  
*Kingsley Ayisi | Jean-Pierre Van geertruyden*
- 3.15 p.m.** UL Trust: Accounting services of the University of Limpopo Trust  
*Carina Marais, University of Limpopo Trust*
- 3.35 p.m.** **Project 1:** Application of Statistics, GIS and Remote Sensing in Global Change Research  
*Yehenew Kifle / Christel Faes*
- 5.50 p.m.** **Project 2:** Prevention, control and integrated management of chronic diseases in a rural community in South Africa  
*Tholene Sodi / Hilde Bastiaens*
- 4.05 p.m.** **Project 3:** Literacy leads to informed communities  
*Mahlapahlapana Themane / Martin Valcke*
- 4.20 p.m.** **Project 4:** Laboratory science and public health management of sexually transmitted infections  
*Maphoshane Nchabeleng / John-Paul Bogers*
- 4.35 p.m.** **Project 5:** Metal concentrations in the muscle tissue of fish from two impoundments of the Olifants River, South Africa  
*Abe Addo-Bediako / Lieven Bervoets*
- 4.50 p.m.** **Project 6:** Food security in the context of climate change  
*Jones NG'ambi / Edilbert Van Driessche*
- 5.05 p.m.** Closure

## The goal of the symposium is to

- update the ongoing projects within this IUC after 8 years of cooperation
- bring together all Flemish academic actors with an interest in South Africa
- 'showcase' deliverables of current and past projects to local and international actors

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## Symposium

Towards of a decade of collaboration with the University of Limpopo and Sefako Makgatho University, South Africa

# Human Wellness in the Context of Global Change, Finding Solutions for Rural Africa

Thursday  
20 April 2017  
at 1.30 p.m.

University of Antwerp  
Stadscampus



## 1 Data management, statistical analysis & GIS

- Key focus: Data management and analysis - ICT, GIS remote sensing. Providing cross-cutting support across the partnership
- Flemish partner: University of Hasselt
- Project leader RSA: Yehenew.Kifle@ul.ac.za
- Project leader in Belgium: Christel.Faes@uhasselt.be

## 2 Prevention, control and integrated management of chronic diseases

- Key focus: Management of chronic diseases
- Flemish partner: ELIZA, University of Antwerp
- Project leader in RSA: Tholene.Sodi@ul.ac.za
- Project leader in Belgium: Hilde.Bastiaens@uantwerpen.be

## 3 Multiple literacies

- Key focus: Capacity building in language literacy, science literacy and the use of multimoded texts
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- Project leader in RSA: Mahlapahlapana.Themane@ul.ac.za
- Project leader in Belgium: Martin.Valcke@UGent.be

## 4 Laboratory science and public health management of sexually transmitted infections

- Key focus: Infectious diseases and public health interventions
- Flemish partner: University of Antwerp
- Project leader in RSA: Maposhane.Nchabeleng@smu.ac.za
- Project leader in Belgium: John-paul.Bogers@uantwerpen.be

## 5 The impact of land-use on functions of the Limpopo and Olifants river systems

- Key focus: Biomonitoring the impact of land-use on the ecosystem functions of the Limpopo and Olifants River systems, Limpopo province, South Africa.
- Flemish partner: Department of Biology, University of Antwerp
- Project leader in RSA: Abe.addo-Bediako@ul.ac.za
- Project leader in Belgium: Lieven.Bervoets@uantwerpen.be

## 6 Food security

- Key focus: Research and research capacity building in area of chicken and crop production and building proteinics and molecular genetics
- Flemish partner: Department of Bio-engineering Sciences, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
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