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The Department of Political Studies and Governance, University of the Free State, Osaka School for International Public Policy and the Southern African Centre for Collaboration in Peace and Security Studies cordially invites you to a workshop on **South Africa and Africa: Between Promise and Peril**

Date: **11-12 February 2019**

Venue: **FGG 202**

### **Programme**

#### **Day 1: South Africa – Between Promise and Peril**

#### **Session 1: Setting the Scene (Chaired by Prof. Theo Neethling, Head: Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS)**

08h20-08h30: Welcome – Prof Heidi Hudson, Dean Faculty of Humanities, UFS

08h30-08h50: The Future of South Africa's Universities, Prof. Francis Petersen, Rector, UFS

08h50-09h00: Discussion

09h00-09h20: Critical Reflections on Service Delivery Protests, Dr. Sethulego Matebesi, Head: Department of Sociology, UFS

09h20-09h40: The importance of the May 2019 elections: Will it change anything for South Africa?, Roland Henwood, Department of Political Sciences, University of Pretoria

09h40-10h00: Toward the 2019 Elections: Reflections on the South African Political Landscape, Prof Dirk Kotze, Department of Political Sciences, University of South Africa

10h00-10h30: Discussion

10h30-11h00: Tea

Session 2: Exploring Issues of Identity in South Africa (Chaired by Professor Virgil Hawkins, Osaka School of International Public Policy)

11h00-11h20: Exploring the State of Human Rights in South Africa, Prof. Danie Brand, Director: Free State Centre for Human Rights

11h20-11h40: The South African Self as the Colonial Other: Endogenous identity constructs and South African foreign policy, Ms Bianca Naude, Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS Qwa Qwa campus

11h40-12h00: The Role of Identity in South Africa, Dr. Piet Croucamp, North-West University

12h00-12h20: Discussion

12h20-13h00: Finger Lunch

Session 3: Security Considerations (Chaired by Dr. Eben Coetzee, Department of Political Studies and Governance, University of the Free State)

13h00-13h20: Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) for conflict monitoring in contemporary South Africa: Challenges and opportunities in a big data context, Dr. Burgert Senekal, Unit for Language Facilitation and Empowerment, UFS and Eduan Kotze, Department of Computer Science and Informatics, UFS

13h20-13h40: Security Sector Reform in South Africa, Prof. Anthoni van Nieuwkerk, Public and Defence Management, University of the Witwatersrand

13h40-14h00: Reflections on the Internal Deployment of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF), Prof. Abel Esterhuysen, Faculty of Military Science, University of Stellenbosch

14h00-14h20: Analysing Parliament's Review of Defence Deployments between 1998-2018, Dr. Wilhelm Janse van Rensburg, Parliament of the Republic of South Africa

14h20-14h40: Discussion

14h40-15h00: Tea

Session 4: Local Government Politics (Chaired by Dr. Tania Coetzee, Programme Director, Governance and Political Transformation, UFS)

15h00-15h20: Reflections on the State of Local Government, Prof Clive Napier, Department of Political Sciences, University of South Africa

15h20-15h40: Political risk in South Africa with particular reference to the functionality and competency of the public service, Prof. Theo Neethling, HoD: Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS

15h40-16h00 Discussion

### Book Launch

16h00-17h00: Getting it Right: A New Economy for South Africa, Professor Philippe Burger, HoD: Department of Economics, UFS

### Day 2: Africa – Between Promise and Peril

#### Session 1: Setting the Scene (Chaired by Prof. Hussein Solomon, Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS)

09h00-09h20: Does Africa have a bright(er) future: A critical review of eight key indicators, Prof Theo Neethling, Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS

09h20-09h40: Africa's long-term future prospects, Dr. Jakkie Cilliers, Head of African Futures and Innovation, Institute for Security Studies

09h40-10h00: Africa's changing strategic landscape, Prof. Abel Esterhuyse, Department of Military Strategy, Faculty of Military Science, University of Stellenbosch

10h00-10h20: Discussion

10h20-10h40: Tea

#### Session 2: Reflecting about the African strategic landscape (Chaired by Dr. Anneli Botha, Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS)

10h40-11h00: Waltzing into Africa: The relevance of Kenneth Waltz for thinking on Africa, Dr. Eben Coetzee, Department of Political Studies and Governance UFS

11h00-11h20: The State of China-Africa Relations, Rene de Klerk, Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS

11h20-11h40: The State of US-Africa Relations, Professor Gilbert Khadiagala, Department of International Relations, University of the Witwatersrand

11h40-12h00: Reflections on STTEP (and its predecessor Executive Outcomes) and what it represents for Africa's security, Mr. Eeben Barlow, Chairperson of Specialized Tasks, Training, Equipment and Protection (STTEP)

12h00-12h30: Discussion

12h30-13h10: Finger lunch

Session 3: Issues in African Security (Chaired by Ms. Alta Vermeulen, Department of Political Studies and Governance)

13h10-13h30: Japanese Media Coverage of Conflict in Africa: A long-term comparative analysis, Professor Virgil Hawkins, Osaka School of International Public Policy

13h30-13h50: The Role of Perceptions in Radicalization in Africa, Dr. Anneli Botha, Department of Political Studies and Governance, UFS

13h50-14h10: Governments of National Unity and Conflict Resolution in Africa, Prof. Dirk Kotze, University of South Africa

14h10-14h30: Discussion

14h30-14h40: Closing Remarks, Prof Theo Neethling and Prof Virgil Hawkins