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Our mission emphasises the central importance of the agro-food system in the livelihoods of poor and marginalised people in southern Africa – and its importance for strategies aimed at eradicating poverty. For much of our existence, our work has concentrated heavily on issues of land ownership and agricultural production, but increasingly our focus is broadening to consider the upstream and downstream aspects of agro-food commodity chains, production networks and systems. Key aspects of social policy affecting the dynamics of poverty and inequality in southern and South Africa are also being taken up in our work.

Within this broad field of investigation, our work focuses on the dynamics of marginalised livelihoods – particularly livelihoods that are vulnerable, structurally excluded or incorporated into broader economic systems on adverse terms. Another important area of work relates to the social and political dimensions of ecosystem management, in particular fisheries, water and catchment management.

PLAAS does research, policy engagement, teaching and training about the dynamics of chronic poverty and structural inequality in southern Africa.
As many South Africans will know, 2013 was a significant year for anyone involved in understanding and influencing change in the southern African agro-food system. This year marked the passing of a full century since the 1913 Natives Land Act came into being, the law that laid the foundations for the policies of Segregation and Apartheid.

This Act is most commonly associated with the consolidation of the colonial ‘land grab’, which had gathered force during the previous 200 years, and with helping to create the framework for the infamous ‘Black Spot disposessions’ of the Apartheid regime. But the Natives Land Act was about much more than land. Most importantly it played a key role in territorially and politically entrenching racial segregation into the very political structure of South African society, relegating the majority of its population into ‘reserves’ and ‘homelands’ under the control of undemocratically appointed and imposed chiefs and puppet rulers.

A century later, the legacy of this Act still shapes the lives of South Africans, in town as well as in the countryside. The inequitable distribution of land continues to plague the present-day agro-food system, so that millions spend their lives in poverty while only a small number of powerful agri-businesses and individuals benefit. The glaring racial inequality in land ownership – and the inability of nearly 20 years of land reform to do much about it – continues to be a politically toxic legacy for the country as a whole, and threatens to undermine the project of national reconciliation. Even more crucially, the colonial land grab and its Apartheid-era consolidation has brought about an enormous level of inequality in wealth and income in the economy as a whole.

The past year was therefore an important time for PLAAS to document the course of change and to reflect on lessons learned. The Land Divided conference co-hosted by PLAAS in March 2013 was one of the crucial moments at which we highlighted the continuing salience of land and agro-food related issues in South Africa. Our research on ‘land grabs’ and large-scale agricultural investments documented the extent of present-day disposessions, and sought to explore ways in which land investment could be turned to the benefit of poor and marginalised people. We continued supporting struggles for the more egalitarian distribution of other key rights, such as those to water and to marine resources. We did path-breaking research on the incorporation of small farmers in supermarket and other value chains, documenting the entrepreneurialism and agency of small farmers in the process. Other research topics included tracing the links between agricultural development and the non-farm economy and mapping the multipliers essential to local economic dynamism in rural areas. We were part of larger consortiums seeking to ensure the appropriate and pro-poor management of ecosystem services, catchments and natural resources.

We continued reaching out to NGOs and other civil society organisations, supporting democratic policy processes on agro-food issues. We continued with a world-class postgraduate programme, supporting the career development of policy makers and government officials and helping to grow a new generation of young black social science researchers, and our NRF Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies provided intensive supervision to PhD and MPhil students, while doing in-depth research on the limits and potentialities of agro-food restructuring.

Increasingly, all this work has led us beyond the narrow confines of a concern with land reform as it is usually understood. Our work has for some time been broadening to include a deeper concern with livelihoods and agriculture, and with the contestation of the development of the agro-food system as a whole. We have moved from a focus on the legacy of land dispossession in South Africa to a concern with the politics of resource grabs and investments in the African continent as a whole. Our work as Southern African Hub Co-ordinator of the Future Agricultures Consortium helps us link our work to broader political and economic processes taking place in the African content. And beyond this, our involvement in the BRICS Initiative for Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS) has led us to make important connections with scholars studying agro-food change and restructuring in China, India and Brazil.

All of this work stems from the conviction that sensible and just social policies need to be based, not only on the interests of global corporations, but on the insights and analyses that can arise out of high-quality social science research. Such research often complicates the simple stories politicians and corporate spin doctors try to tell, but they are essential if we are to avoid being captured by reductive ideology, whether from the left or the right. Neither the political narratives of populist demagogues nor the dreams of technical fixes brought about by an elite of experts are of any help if we are to craft policies and political responses appropriate to these rapidly changing and complex times. In this past year, PLAAS has remained true to its creed of doing research that is politically engaged, critically useful, empirically founded and theoretically rigorous.

I am both humbled and proud to have worked with a collection of such dedicated, motivated, stimulating and brilliant colleagues as I have had the fortune to meet at PLAAS. I hope this Annual Report provides a small glimpse into what we have attempted, and what we have achieved.
Highlights of 2013

Awards and Special Achievements

Professor Ben Cousins
Elinor Ostrom Award on Collective Governance of the Commons

Professor Ben Cousins won the Elinor Ostrom Award on Collective Governance of the Commons. The award was created to acknowledge and promote the work of practitioners, and young and senior scholars involved in the field of the commons. The award is based on contributions to traditional commons, local commons, interlinked commons, global commons, knowledge, cultural and virtual commons. According to the awarding committee, Professor Cousins received the award for his extraordinary commitment to the analysis, creation and defense of common pool resources. He was honoured for innovation and achievement in the scholarship of collective action and the commons, impact on public policies and commons management experiences, and impact of his educational and mentoring activities on new generations of commons scholars and practitioners. The determination was made after a long process of evaluation over three rounds, which led to Professor Cousins being awarded with this distinction.

Associate Professor Moenieba Isaacs
MARE Conference address

Associate Professor Moenieba Isaacs gave the keynote address at the Centre for Maritime Research (MARE) Conference: People and the Sea VII Maritime Futures on 26 June 2013. She spoke about small-scale fisheries governance and the limitations of expanding access using individual fishing quotas, with a case study of the South African fishing sector.

PLAAS Researcher Alex Dubb
MPhil Cum Laude

PLAAS Researcher Alex Dubb received an MPhil Cum Laude from UWC in 2013 for his thesis, Dynamics of Social Reproduction and Differentiation among Small-Scale Sugarcane Farmers in Two Rural Wards of KwaZulu-Natal.
Commemorating the 1913 Land Act

The Land Divided: Land and South African Society in 2013, in Comparative Perspective conference was held in Cape Town from 24 to 27 March 2013 and co-hosted by PLAAS, the Centre for Law and Society at UCT, and the Land, Environment and Society in Africa Research Programme of Stellenbosch University. With over 350 delegates in attendance, the commemoration events got off to a fantastic start. The Conference was also linked to the following two photographic exhibitions, Umhlaba Wethu – This is our Land: 100 year commemoration of the 1913 Land Act and Extraordinary lives: Portraits from a divided land.

Umhlaba Wethu – This is Our Land: 100 year commemoration of the 1913 Land Act

The exhibition was the largest photographic exhibition ever hosted on the land issue in South Africa, and was held at the Iziko National Gallery. It involved more than 30 photographers and 12 archives, and was curated by David Goldblatt, Bongo Dhlomo, Pam Warne and Paul Weinberg. Photographic research undertaken by Gail Behrmann involved many individuals and various institutions. Archbishop Njongonkulu Ndungane gave the keynote address to open the exhibition.

Extraordinary Lives: Portraits from a Divided Land

This remarkable exhibition featuring photographs by Sophia Klaase was hosted by the District Six Museum. Sophia Klaase first used a camera as a participant in a photography project organised by Dr Rick Rohde in 1999 as part of a long-term study into the socio-economic and environmental history of Paulshoek, a remote village in the communal area of Leliefontein, Namaqualand. Known to most of the community by her childhood name of ‘Vytjie’, Sophia was only 16 years old at the time and eagerly exploring the limited outlets for her feral imagination and vivacious nature. Her photos stood out for their freshness, sensitivity, composition and candid portrayal of village life.

This exhibition teased apart just what it means to be a young woman in a social landscape that is common to millions of South Africa’s rural poor. Klaase’s photographs are not ‘simple representations’, rather they form a powerful and remarkable archive of meanings that are embedded in palpable social, political and economic frames, connecting memories, histories and language. It is striking that the vision of a young ‘coloured’ South African woman, dislocated from formal sources of the visual literacy that frequently drives photographic experimentation, responds astutely to trajectories in the photographic representation of South African bodies.

Policy Forum: Defragmenting African Natural Resources Management and Responsive Forest Resources Governance

Another highlight for the year was the final Africa regional conference held from 9 to 11 April 2013 at the Protea Hotel, Cape Town. The conference was jointly organised by the Defragmenting African Resource Management Project (DARMA) and the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) under the auspices of the International Association for the Study of the Commons (IASC) as an Africa Region chapter conference. Over 100 participants from across Africa shared research findings and engaged in debate and dialogue around commons issues based on six conference themes and other relevant experiences. The opening keynote address by Professor Lungisile Ntsebeza (Director of the Centre for African Studies, University of Cape Town), titled ‘Colonial conceptions of “the tribe” in Africa and its implications for contemporary Commons studies’, set the tone for the conference through a thorough overview of the value of commons to rural communities in the specific African context we find ourselves in.

The varied backgrounds and interdisciplinary approaches of attendees gave rise to multi-faceted discussion and rigorous debate. Participants’ feedback on the conference was that it was useful and interesting, and its strength lay in the diversity of views presented in the panels and side discussions.

Two main conclusions came out of the policy deliberations. Firstly, most (well-intentioned) policies for natural resource management aimed at empowering local communities are failing to achieve their intended objectives, and instead usually empower local elites or merely reinforce existing unequal power relations. Secondly, researchers remain largely unsuccessful in communicating their findings and recommendations intelligibly and effectively to policy makers. Ownership of policy and the level at which policy applies are key issues for improved communication and uptake of policy. Also the nature and process for policy engagement are perhaps even more important to get right if we want to make sure that policy content is effective.
Pan African Land Hearings

Given the high level of public concern both locally and internationally about commercialisation of land in Africa, Oxfam, Action Aid, PLAAS and Future Agricultures Consortium joined forces to organise the first ever Pan African Land Hearings on 15 August at Constitution Hill in Johannesburg, South Africa. Land grab cases were presented, from across twelve African countries, namely: Kenya, Ghana, Malawi, Tanzania, Sierra Leone, Senegal, Uganda, Zimbabwe, Zambia, South Africa, Mozambique and Chad. The Director of the United Nations Institute for Development and Economic Planning (UN-IDEP), Professor Adebayo Olukoshi, chaired the hearing, which aimed to:

- provide a venue where communities, in particular women, could share their stories and experiences on land-related problems in their respective countries;
- provide the public with information about the communities' stories and struggles related to land; and
- properly document the different experiences of the countries and to use these to strengthen calls to stop 'land grabbing' and to regulate private sector agricultural investments.

The panel read background documentation on the issues of large land deals/land grabs, heard the testimony from community members affected by large land deals, and read reports from researchers alongside visual inputs. The panel prepared and presented a conclusion based on their 'Jury verdict' as a panel in response to the stories, with strong emphasis on the African Union (AU) to act. The panel also availed themselves to media for interviews. The event was filmed by a film crew and edited into documentary format for dissemination.

BRICS Initiative for Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS)

During an exciting trip to China in April, Professor Ben Cousins and Associate Professor Ruth Hall connected with critical agrarian scholars from Brazil and China. This led to a new network – BICAS – being formed, to investigate critical theoretical and empirical questions about the origins, character and significance of complex changes underway with respect to BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa) countries and their impact on global agrarian transformations. BICAS is founded on a vision for broader, more inclusive and critical knowledge production and knowledge exchange, around four research areas:

- Changes in the BRICS countries
- BRICS and middle-income countries (MICs) in their regions
- Dynamics in the agro-food system
- BRICS and MICs in relation to the old hubs of global capital

The initiative kicked off by offering small grants to PhD or postdoctoral students to explore agrarian transformations underway in Southeast Asia, southern Africa and Latin America, and the significance of BRICS and middle-income countries in shaping the transformations.

The convening institutions and key contact researchers of BICAS are:

- Brazil: Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS), with Professor Sergio Schneider; University of Brasilia (UnB), Planaltina Campus (FUP), with Professor Sergio Sauer
- China: College of Humanities and Development Studies (COHD) at the China Agricultural University, Beijing, with Professor Ye Jingzhong and a group of faculty at the college, and Adjunct Professors Henry Bernstein, Saturnino ('Jun') M. Borras Jr., Jennifer Franco and Jan Douwe van der Ploeg
- South Africa: PLAAS with Professor Ben Cousins and Associate Professor Ruth Hall

In collaboration with:

- Transnational Institute (TNI) a worldwide fellowship of scholar activists, based in the Netherlands
- International Institute of Social Studies (ISS) in The Hague, Agrarian, Food & Environmental Studies (AFES) research sub-cluster which is part of the Research Programme: Political Economy of Resources, Environment and Population Studies (PER)
- Future Agricultures Consortium (FAC)
Research

Access to land and natural resources is often a key means by which the poor can secure livelihoods.

PLAAS researchers examine how rights and access are mitigating or aggravating poverty and inequality alleviation in South Africa, in southern Africa and elsewhere in Africa. Large-scale investments in land, water and fishing are touted by some as vital to growth – yet others point to the risks of loss of access to land and other natural resources often aggravating poor livelihood circumstances and negatively impacting on household food security.

At the same time the agro-food system is becoming increasingly concentrated, often with detrimental effects on inclusive growth and opportunities for small farmers and entrepreneurs.

Our research seeks to speak to these issues and examines how land, natural resources and the agro-food system can better support efforts to alleviate poverty and inequality.

PLAAS has five senior research staff who raise funds for our research projects. They also write research reports for dissemination.

Left to right (above): Associate Professors Ruth Hall and Mataniso Hara, Dr Barbara Tapela, Dr Gaynor Paradza and Associate Professor Moenieba Isaacs

Research Interns and Research Assistants

Left to right (above): Dr Darlene Miller, David Neves, Professor Ben Cousins, Professor Andries du Toit

Left to right (above): Davison Chikazunga, Adetola Okunlola and Mnqobi Ngubane

Left to right (above): Bukiwe Nhweba, Alex Dubb and Michael Belebema
The DST/NRF Research Chair, Professor Ben Cousins, has initiated this five-year research programme and established a research group of 12 postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows. It runs from 2010 to 2015. The group aims to identify the processes of socio-economic change (underway in the South African countryside) that are likely to influence the outcomes and impacts of land and agrarian reform, and what the impacts are of land and agrarian reform policies and programmes on agricultural productivity, agrarian structure and rural poverty. Progress has been a little slower than anticipated but the quality of the research projects thus far has been high. In 2013 four MPhil students graduated (Alex Dubb, Marc Lewis, Nonhla Mthembu and Thoko Buthelezi), and several more will graduate in 2014. In this period students and postdoctoral fellows published 11 papers and presented a total of 12 papers at conferences and workshops. Professor Cousins published four books, as well as six book chapters and five journal articles. He also facilitated a workshop for parliament on the legacy of the 1913 Natives Land Act.

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Research Projects

Land Reform, Food Systems and Agrarian Change in South Africa

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Space, Markets and Employment in Agricultural Development

This project seeks to build awareness of the connections between agricultural development and non-farm rural employment. It examines the institutional and spatial articulation of markets, settlements and employment in three southern African countries (South Africa, Zimbabwe and Malawi), to create a clearer picture of how agriculture can support diverse local economies and broad-based economic growth. The project, led by Professors Andries du Toit, Ben Cousins and Ian Scoones (IDS, University of Sussex) runs from 2012 to 2014.

Supporting Smallholders into Commercial Agriculture: A Social Dialogue and Learning Project

This project seeks to develop an understanding of the challenges facing small-scale and emergent black farmers in accessing commercial markets and the potential for partnership with corporate and established private sector players. It is funded by the Ford Foundation. The project is being implemented in close collaboration with the Southern African Food Lab, a social dialogue initiative that brings together role players in the South African food system to engage in a process of social learning about food system change. Additional funding is also provided by the Andrew W Mellon Foundation, which supports the scholarships for the PhD students with a view to strengthening critical agrarian studies in South Africa. This project started in January 2012 and will conclude in August 2014.

FUNDERS: FORD FOUNDATION AND THE ANDREW W MELLON FOUNDATION

WE HAVE PROJECTS IN THESE AFRICAN COUNTRIES:

Sudan
South Sudan
Ghana
Nigeria
Gabon
Namibia
Botswana
South Africa

Zimbabwe
Zambia
Mozambique
Tanzania
Kenya
Madagascar
Malawi

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research

AT THE CUTTING EDGE
This is one of 10 thematic areas of focus within the Future Agricultures Consortium (FAC), and consists of five field-based studies located within country-level political economy analysis, and conducted by established academics in Nigeria, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, and by PLAAS in South Africa. The focus of the research is on the politics of policy underlying transnational commercial land deals in Africa, with the overarching questions being: what transnational commercial land deals are underway in Africa, how are these structured and governed, and what is known about their impacts? The primary objective is to build an evidence base regarding processes of land leasing, production implications and outcomes for poverty and inequality among affected rural communities – and to incentivise others to contribute to this collective effort through the establishment of a Land Deal Politics Initiative and a series of small grants programmes and international and regional conferences. The outcomes being sought are that national governments will promote better practices in leasing out public/customary lands, as well as alternatives to large-scale land acquisitions, and that policy initiatives at national and regional levels, as well as civil society campaigns, are informed and nuanced by empirical research. Associate Professor Ruth Hall is the principal investigator on the project, which runs from 2010 to 2013.

FUNDER: WATER RESEARCH COMMISSION

Baseline and Scoping Study on the Development and Sustainable Utilisation of Storage Dams for Inland Fisheries and their Contribution to Rural Livelihoods

This five-year project (2009 to 2014) seeks to identify institutional options for developing inland fisheries in existing water storage dams, with the aim to enhance rural livelihoods. The project is done in collaboration with Rhodes University and the South African Institute of Aquatic Biodiversity (SAIAB). Within PLAAS, Dr Barbara Tapela characterises the indigenous knowledge and practices as well as current subsistence, recreational and commercial fishing practices and techniques for using fisheries resources. Associate Professor Mafa Hara examines the existing institutional arrangements governing access rights to inland fisheries. Both PLAAS researchers also determine, through extensive consultative research, appropriate governance and co-management options.

FUNDER: WATER RESEARCH COMMISSION

Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Africa (LACA)

Debates continue amongst policy makers and academics about the relative merits of large and small farms, their implications for labour absorption and growth in Africa’s farm sector, and therefore preferred pathways to land and agricultural commercialisation. Recent transnational investments in commercial agriculture have prompted the resurgence of large-scale agriculture in the form of plantations or large estates. Some countries have promoted commercialisation in specific regions, aiming to attract local and foreign commercial farmers as pioneers to build a commercial farming sector. Concerns about exclusion or displacement of rural smallholders in favour of large-scale commercial farming have prompted policy attention towards inclusive farming models, and specifically contract farming or ‘outgrower’ schemes. This project asks: How does the restructuring of agro-food systems resulting from land and agricultural commercialisation affect agrarian economies and livelihoods in Africa? Can new land and agricultural commercialisation initiatives be used as opportunities to promote growth and reduce poverty and inequality in developing countries? If so, how? What are the better and worse models? Which sets of institutional arrangements between investors and local smallholders provide the best opportunities for benefit sharing and for synergies between large and small farms? This three-year project (from 2012 to 2015) is being conducted in Ghana, Kenya and Zambia, with three research sites in each country, with academic counterparts from universities in these countries. Associate Professor Ruth Hall is the principal investigator on the project.

FUNDER: WATER RESEARCH COMMISSION

Defragmenting African Resource Management

Co-ordinated by Associate Professor Mafa Hara, this project ran from November 2009 to October 2012 (with a 12-month ‘no cost extension’ granted), and examined the global problem of fragmentation in commons management in southern Africa. The project sought to build networks and research frameworks to integrate resource management and increase national capacity in five African countries – Botswana, Malawi, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe – for integrated commons management. The highlight of the project in 2013 was the final Africa regional conference (see page 10). In addition, several books from each of the study areas were written and will be released in 2014.

FUNDER: ACP SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMME (ACP-EUROPEAN UNION COOPERATION PROGRAMME)

Commercialisation of Land and ‘Land Grabbing’: Implications for Land Rights and Livelihoods in Southern Africa

This project was conceived as a response to widespread concerns about the ‘land grab’ phenomenon in sub-Saharan Africa, and the dearth of grounded studies to understand how these deals are structured, who facilitates them, how local people respond, and the degree to which protection of land rights in existing policy and legislation is adequate to safeguard the interests of poor land users in the face of pressures towards commercialisation, in which governments and urban elites are often actively involved. The project’s purpose is to support policy makers and civil society organisations with the information and capacity needed to make evidence-based policy to promote good land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land. Through partnerships with civil society organisations in Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the project is documenting the current state of the debate on land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land. Through partnerships with civil society organisations in Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the project is documenting the current state of the debate on land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land. Through partnerships with civil society organisations in Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the project is documenting the current state of the debate on land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land. Through partnerships with civil society organisations in Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the project is documenting the current state of the debate on land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land. Through partnerships with civil society organisations in Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the project is documenting the current state of the debate on land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land. Through partnerships with civil society organisations in Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the project is documenting the current state of the debate on land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land. Through partnerships with civil society organisations in Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the project is documenting the current state of the debate on land governance in, as well as alternatives to, large-scale land acquisitions, so as to protect people living on public and customary lands in southern Africa from dispossession, and enable them to shape decisions concerning the use and transaction of their land.

FUNDER: WATER RESEARCH COMMISSION

Water Service Delivery and Social Protests in South Africa

In this three-year project (from 2012 to 2015), Dr Barbara Tapela looks at the link between social protests and water service delivery in South Africa. The project seeks to develop clear understandings about the characteristics of local contexts whereby engagements between water users and water service authorities have turned into violent and/or non-violent protest actions. The project examines key drivers of water service delivery, protests, roles of organisation and mobilisation, dynamics of perceived deprivation and pathways by which perceptions about water service delivery collide with other factors and coalesce into social protest action.

FUNDER: WATER RESEARCH COMMISSION
2013 Publications

Books


Book Chapters


Accredited Journal Articles


Popular Articles and Publications

1. Cousins, B. (2013) ‘Agriculture can be used to create jobs for our people. Support for the smallholders is essential’. Cape Argus, 15 April.


Blogs


Tapela, B. (2013) Interim report on characterization of the political, economic, social, institutional, historical and cultural environment within which social protests occur. Report towards a WRC-funded project on ‘Social protests and Water Service Delivery in South Africa’.


Tapela, B. (2013) Stakeholder consultation report on effective management processes and governance systems for inland fisheries in dams, including roles and responsibilities of individual households, groups in rural villages and relevant authorities (at tribal local, provincial and national levels). Report towards a WRC-funded project on a ‘Baseline and scoping study on the development and sustainable utilisation of storage dams for inland fisheries and their contribution to rural livelihoods’.

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Conference, Workshop and Seminar Papers Presented


Teaching

The redesigned programme for a Postgraduate Diploma in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies was made available in 2013.

The programme is aimed at professionals who are already working in the field of land and agrarian reform, rural development, natural resources and gender. The student profile varies from government officials to employees of NGOs, and the private sector. Structured teaching takes place over two three-week block sessions, in February and July. Attendance of the block sessions is compulsory. Each module comprises a pre-contact assignment, structured teaching, a closed-book test, and a post-contact assignment (long essay). All of the modules are compulsory.

The modules we offer are:

**LAS711:** Structural Poverty and Marginalised Livelihoods in Southern African Agro-Food Systems

**LAS712:** The Political Economy of Land and Agrarian Reform in Southern Africa

**LAS713:** The Economics of Farming and Food Systems

**LAS714:** The Social and Ecological Dimensions of Ecosystem Management

Postgraduate Programme staff teach and administer the Diploma, MPhil and PhD courses.

Left to right: Carla Henry (Senior Administrator), Associate Professor Moenieba Isaacs (Programme Co-ordinator)

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Research Graduates of 2013

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**Student Feedback**

“The course deepened my general knowledge greatly, but also helped me specifically around socio-economic system characteristics and design. It also helped me to focus on specific areas around SC farmers.”

“I work in the Agricultural sector; land, markets, resources are central to my work. PGD has helped me in developing my knowledge and increase capacity to engage policies and my analytical ability. It has shaped my future research interest and my career development.”

“The material is relevant in facilitating a broader and more in-depth understanding of issues of poverty, land reform and ecosystem management.”

“The programme has a very rich content which is relevant and is updated. The module sequence is good and presenters are knowledgeable and command their space.”

**Scholarships**

Over the past eight years PLAAS has been privileged to receive support for student scholarships from the Belgian Government, represented by the Belgian Development Agency (BTC). These scholarships cover tuition fees, travel and subsistence, as well as field work costs. PLAAS acknowledges this invaluable contribution – an amount of approximately R1.9 million – which has which has supported 17 PG Diploma and 8 MPhil students.

**Supervision and Examination**

**Professor Ben Cousins**

Supervised the following theses:

- Alex Dubb, MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Dynamics of social reproduction and differentiation among small-scale sugarcane farmers in two rural wards of KwaZulu-Natal.
- Marc Lewis, MPhil, Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Social dynamics and sustainability of three community projects in the City of Johannesburg.
- Nonhlanzeko Mthembu, MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Exploring characteristics of farming systems in former labour tenant communities. The case of Ncunjane and Nkaseni in Msinga.
- Rosalie Kingwill, PhD Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: The map is not the territory: Law and custom in ‘African Freehold’: A South African case study.
- Michael Ochieng Odihambo, MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Community land tenure in Kenya: giving content to customary property rights.
- Donna Hornby, PhD, Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Cattle, commercialisation and land reform: Dynamics of social reproduction and accumulation in Besters, KwaZulu-Natal.

**Professor Andries du Toit**

Supervised the following theses:

- Mqobisi Ngubane: PhD, UWC: Investigating the impacts of ‘pro-smallholder’ rural industrialisation and agro-food industrial dispersal on the livelihoods of smallholder farmers in KwaZulu-Natal.
- Adelota Okunlola: PhD, UWC: Supporting Smallholders into Commercial Agriculture: Commodity Associations, Smallholder Farmers and Power within the Production Network.
- Theodor Muduva: MPhil, UWC: Grazing rights in the communal areas of a post-independent Namibia: A case study of a grazing dispute in Western Kawango region.

**Associate Professor Ruth Hall**

Supervised the following theses:

- Thokozile Buthelezi: MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Pro-poor value chain governance in the Mtatleni Irrigation Scheme at Tugela Ferry, Msinga, KwaZulu-Natal.
- Thulisile Msomi, MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Smallholder organic farming for supermarkets; the case of the Ezemvelo Farmer’s Co-operative, KwaZulu-Natal.
- Pretty Maluka, MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies, UWC: Rural livelihoods and agricultural production in smallholder irrigation schemes: The case of Hoxane irrigation scheme in Bushbuckridge area of Mpumalanga province.


**Supervision of MPhil mini-thesis: Nyonde Ntswana (continuing):** The impact of large scale land acquisitions (land grabs) on communities: The case of Sinadambwe community in Post-Conflict Amuru District, Northern Uganda.


**External examiner:** Rhodes University.
Associate Professor Mafaniso Hara
Examined and supervised the following theses:

**Internal examiner:** Poverty Dynamic and livelihood challenges among the Nyaminyami Small-Scale Fishing Communities on Lake Kariba (Zimbabwe). D. Mushongera (Student No. 2866840), MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies.

**External examiner:** Livelihoods of Small-scale Fishers of Struisbaai: Implications for Marine Protected Area Planning. Kashieta Parker, Master of Social Science in Environmental and Geographical Science, UCT.

**Supervised:** Robert Rawlins: MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies: Livestock Production and Rangeland Management in the Mvenyane Communal Area.

Associate Professor Moenieba Isaacs
Examined, supervised, mentored and affiliated as follows:

**External Examiner:** PhD, UCT.

**Mentoring:** PhD: Marie Minnaar McDonald.

**Affiliated PhD student working on drafting her proposal:** Tracey Dennis.

**Supervised MPhil mini-thesis:** Darlington Mushongera, Poverty Dynamic and Livelihood Challenges among the Nyaminyama Small-Scale Fishing Communities on Lake Kariba.

**Supervised MPhil mini-thesis:** Asseliah David, Small-scale commercial farming in communal areas: Mangetti farm blocks in the Okavango/Oshikoto regions.

**Supervised MPhil mini-thesis:** Tapiwa Kupara, Understanding human dimensions of Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management: The case of fish processing workers in the hake industry in Saldanha.

**Supervised MPhil mini-thesis:** Pasipanodya Mubaiwa, Assessing the role of Informal traders within the snoek value chain in selected townships in Cape Town, Western Cape.

**Supervised MPhil mini-thesis:** Tsepo Lepono, Managed Resource Areas (MRAs): Review of the New Area-based Approach to Managing Lesotho’s Fast Vanishing Natural Resources.

**Supervised PhD:** Horacio Gervasio, Understanding the social and economic determinants and livelihoods diversification in subsistence fishing, Mozambique.

Dr Barbara Tapela
Supervised and examined the following theses:

**Supervised PhD thesis:** Darlington Sibanda: Urban Land Tenure, Tenancy and Water and Sanitation Services Delivery in South Africa.

**Supervised MPhil mini-thesis:** Daudi Saidi: Rural Livelihoods and Women’s Access to Land: A Case Study of the Katuli Area, Mangochi District, Malawi.


**External Examiner:** PhD, Rhodes University.

The Postgraduate Diploma in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies programme available from 2013
Policy Engagement

Making research available to inform and influence policy makers and civil society is a key concern for PLAAS.

A dedicated team of information brokers support researchers in disseminating knowledge in various formats, ranging from interactions with the Pan African Parliament, regional African multilateral institutions such as the Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CEMAC) and presentations to the South African Parliament, to conferences and workshops, media engagements, publications dissemination, regularly updating the website and sharing on social media, as well as helping academics find the latest research to supplement their own work. In addition, the information brokers team supports policy analysis and media analysis work, so that researchers can speak strategically to ever-changing social and political dynamics.

Information Brokers

PLAAS ‘information brokers’ are knowledge workers of a different kind – working to share and disseminate research information both within PLAAS and externally.

Policy Engagement Activities


23. Sulle, E. (2013) Wrote a political specialist section for the African Union Study on Drivers of Success to support Sustaining the Momentum (Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)) with Professor Joseph Hella of the Sokoine University of Agriculture, Tanzania and Dr Robert Kisusu, Independent Consultant.


A Rural Research and Information-Sharing Network

Led by Lesego Loate in late 2013 (previously by Obiozo Ukpabi in 2012/13), this two-year project seeks to support processes of rural change aimed at promoting an equitable, democratic and inclusive countryside for South Africa. It aims to do this by providing research and information services that can facilitate a process of learning from experience and sharing innovation. The specific outcomes aimed at by the project are to ensure that role players and stakeholders in South African civil society have access to quality information and analysis about trends relating to poverty, social justice, human rights and rural transformation, and that citizens and civil society organisations in rural areas have opportunities to analyse and reflect on change, share innovation, and explore the strategic implications for their own plans and actions. The project runs from 2012 to 2014.

PLAAS in the News

Television Interviews

**Professor Ben Cousins**

4. SABC, 19 June 2013.

**David Neves**

1. SABC3 TV News insert on Social Grants, 22 February 2013.
2. eNCA News Night, panel discussion on Rural Development, 24 February 2013.
3. eNCA, Africa 360, 18 September 2013 (broadcast 21–22 September 2013.)

**Associate Professor Ruth Hall**

2. SABC, 19 June 2013.

Radio Interviews

**Professor Ben Cousins**

4. Thembisa Dlamini, SAFM Morning Talk, interview on Elinor Ostrom Award, 12 June 2013.

**Associate Professor Ruth Hall**

1. Xolani Gwala, The Forum@Eight, SAFM, panel debate with Minister Nkwinti and ex-Director General Mayende, 15 January 2013.
18. Metzi van der Merwe, RSG (Radio Sonder Grense), 3 September 2013 (pre-recording).
20. Tshahaarq True, Radio 786, 9 September 2013.

**David Neves**


**Mnqobi Ngubane**

2. SAFM, interview about food security and smallholder agriculture in general, 5 August 2013.

**Professor Andries du Toit**

Xolani Gwala, The Forum@Eight, SAFM, panel on farm labour strikes, 11 January 2013.

**Adetola Okunlola**

SABC Pretoria, interview on smallholder co-operatives, smallholder voice and smallholder agriculture, 22 October 2013.
**Print Media Interviews**

Professor Ben Cousins


Ruth Hall

4. Manqoba Nxumalo, Mail & Guardian, ‘Can we create one million new jobs in agriculture as envisaged by the National Development Plan (NDP)?’, 20 February 2013.

Associate Professor Moenieba Isaacs

1. Isaacs, M. et al. Open Letter to the Minister to extend the date of submissions to the Draft Amendment of the Marine Living Resources Bill, 22 May 2013 and captured in the following papers - Cape Times, 22 May Cape Times Editorial 23 May, Business Day 23 May, Argus 23 May.
2. Timothy Jacobs, ANC Western Cape Respond to the Open Letter to the Minister, in letter to the editor (May 24).
3. Response to the ANC Timothy Jacobs, ANC Western Cape 27 May 2013.


Emmanuel Sulle

1. Josephat Mwanzi, Special for USA TODAY, ‘Obama calls on Tanzania to bolster its fortunes’, 1 July 2013.

Dr Barbara Tapela

3. Mnpob Ngunbana


**List of Events**

1. The Land Question and Agrarian Reform in South Africa and in Comparative Context: Theories and Experiences, PLAAS short course for NUMSA, 4–8 February 2013.
Admin and Finance

Co-ordinating research, field work, numerous events, travel for conferences and managing finances would not be possible without the PLAAS support team. They cover administration (including human resources, event planning, minutes of meetings, flight and accommodation bookings) and financial administration.

Front of House

Our front of house team provides administrative support, including human resources, travel arrangements, scheduling, catering, secretarial support, events management, and so on.

Finance

The PLAAS finance team manages donor funds and liaises with the university finance offices to ensure financial sustainability and smooth running of PLAAS finances, including payments, salaries, financial payments, addressing forex risk and record-keeping.

Seminars

10. Dr Hyun Pyo Hong, Director of the Korea Maritime Institute, ‘Co-operation between the Korea Maritime Institute and African fisheries’, 6 August 2013.
11. Dr Chioma Daisy Onyige, Senior Lecturer at the Department of Sociology, University of Port Harcourt, ‘Women and conflict – the role of rural women in conflict and conflict resolution in the Niger Delta, Nigeria’, 12 September 2013.

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Affiliation and Membership

Partner Organisations

- Future Agricultures Consortium (FAC)
- Too Big to Ignore
- Masifundise Development Trust
- Water Research Commission (WRC)
- Land Deal Politics Initiative (LDPI)
- BRICS Initiative for Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS)
- Poverty Alienation and Sustainable Livelihoods in Small-Scale Fisheries (POVFISH)
- The Southern Africa Food Lab
- Well-being Among Fisherfolk in Africa Research (WELFARE)
- Centre for Environment and Development Studies (Noragric) at the Norwegian University of the Life Sciences
- World Fish Center
- Regional office of the World Conservation Union (IUCN) in Zimbabwe
- Centre for Applied Social Sciences, University of Zimbabwe
- Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC)
- University of Cape Town (Centre for Plant Conservation, Department of Economics)
- School of Public Health at University of the Western Cape
- Trust for Community Outreach and Education
- National Land Committee
- Nkuzi Development Association
- Institute for Development Policy and Management (IDPM) and Chronic Poverty Research Centre, University of Manchester
- College of Fisheries Science at the University of Tromsø
- Innovative Fisheries Management & Coastal Community Development (IFM) of Denmark
- Centre for Development Co-operation Services (CDCS) at the Vrije Universiteit in the Netherlands
- University of Bergen and the Chr. Michelsen Institute (Norway)
- International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

Memberships

- Professor Ben Cousins
  - Member, International Association for the Study of the Commons
  - Member, Advisory Council, ‘Community Land Titling’ project, Namati
  - Member, the Board of the National Research Foundation of South Africa
  - Chairperson, Reference Group for MARTISA Project, Sociology of Work Programme (SWOP), University of the Witwatersrand

- Associate Professor Ruth Hall
  - Advisory team for Literature Review on Property Rights and Poverty Alienation, Overseas Development Institute, funded by Department for International Development (pending success in bid)
  - Independent expert reviewer for second phase of Land Matrix
  - Assessor: promotion to Associate Professor, for Dr Sam Asuming-Brempong, Agricultural Economics, University of Ghana
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Notes:
1. Include UWC funding as Operational expense in Total expenses. This relates to postgraduate training. The expense amount is reflected as income.
2. Include NRF Chair and Research Grant expenditure and refund of accruals.
3. Adjust prior year adjustments with Annuity payments for the year.
Associate Professor Moenieba Isaacs

- 2014 Steering Committee, Southern African Marine Science (SAMSS)
- Steering Committee member, SANCOR, 2012–2014
- Steering Committee member, TBTI project, 2012–2018
- African regional coordinator, TBTI project, 2012–2018
- International Association for the Study of the Commons (IASC) since 2000
- Korean African Fisheries Forum (KORAFF), since August 2010
- Western Cape Aquaculture Development Initiative (WCADI), since November 2009
- High Level Panel of Experts (HPLE) on Food Security and Nutrition, Committee on World Food Security (CFS), The Role of Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture for Food Security and Nutrition
- Co-Chair, Human Dimension Working Group on Integrated Marine Bio-geo-chemistry Ecosystem Research (IMBER)
- Advisory Group for the Global Oceans Commission (co-chair with Trevor Manuel)
- Fisheries International Expert, Korean Maritime Institute

Associate Professor Mafaniso Hara

- Member, South African Sociological Association (SASA)
- Member, Southern African Water Network (WATERNET)
- Member, South African Network for Coastal and Oceanic Research (SANCOR). Served on the Executive Committee from 2005 to 2007
- Member, International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade (IIFET). Served on the Executive Committee as African Representative from 2004 to 2006
- Member, International Association for the Study of the Commons (IASC)
- Member, Aquatic Ecosystem Health and Management Society (AEHMS)
- Editorial Board, Maritime Studies (MAST) Journal

Dr Darlene Miller

- South African Sociological Association (SASA)
- Editorial Advisory Board, Journal of Southern Africa Studies (JSAS)

Dr Barbara Tapela

- Member, Global Water Partnership (GWP)
- Member, Southern African Water Network (WATERNET)
- Member, African Water Equity Network
- Member of various Water Research Commission (WRC) Reference Groups
- Member, REDISA Board of Governors

Advisory Board Members

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