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ABOUT PLAAS

PLAAS has developed a proven track record of undertaking high-quality research on land and agrarian reform, poverty, and natural resource management in Southern Africa and elsewhere in the continent

The Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS) was founded in 1995 as a specialist unit in the School of Government, Economic and Management Sciences Faculty at the University of the Western Cape (UWC), Cape Town. Since then, PLAAS has developed a proven track record of undertaking high-quality research on land and agrarian reform, poverty, and natural resource management in Southern Africa and elsewhere in the continent.

Besides research and postgraduate teaching, PLAAS undertakes training, provides advisory, facilitation and evaluation services and is active in the field of national policy development. Through these activities, and by seeking to apply the tools of critical scholarship to questions of policy and practice, we seek to develop new knowledge and fresh approaches to the transformation of society in Southern Africa.

Our mission emphasises the central importance of the agro-food system in creating and perpetuating poverty — and also in eradicating it. For much of our existence, our work has concentrated heavily on issues of production in these systems. But our focus is broadening to consider crucial issues in land governance, agricultural production, tenure insecurity, the informal economy and social policy.

Within this broad field of investigation, our work focuses on the dynamics of marginalised livelihoods — particularly livelihoods which are vulnerable, structurally excluded or incorporated into broader economic systems on adverse terms. In this respect, we have considerable expertise in analysing land- and agriculture-based livelihoods of farm workers; small and subsistence farmers; those pertaining to coastal and inland artisanal fisheries and fishing communities; and the informally self-employed in rural as well as urban areas.



DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The report you hold in your hands summarises some of PLAAS's key achievements, and describes the content of our work, for 2016 and 2017. It lists a rich trove of outputs and publications, and bears testament to my colleagues' considerable capacity and appetite for hard work: a vibrant and intellectually stimulating postgraduate teaching programme; 26 donor funded research projects on topics ranging from agricultural commercialisation in Zambia to fisheries crime in South Africa; three books and 37 journal articles; 223 conferences and seminars; participation in critically important policy processes in South Africa and abroad, including the Parliamentary High Level Panel on the Assessment of Key Legislation and Accelerated Change; numerous radio and television experiences on the part of our researchers ... the list just goes on and on. It is a record of achievements of which the researchers and support staff of PLAAS can be justly proud.

At the same time, more is going on here than the production of degrees and academic outputs. I believe that one of the reasons why my colleagues are so hard working is that we are an organisation driven by a shared mission, and a belief that rigorous academic research work has a key role to play in helping to change the world. This is about much more than the clichéd desire not to be an 'ivory tower.' It is about being committed to true scholarly excellence – while ensuring that



Photo: Institutional Advancement, UWC

the aims and questions of research are informed by the central and burning questions faced by our society. For PLAAS, those questions relate to the central importance of access to land and natural resources in a rapidly urbanising and commercialising continent; to the implications of change for the vast numbers of poor and marginalised people who continue to depend on land and who need tenure security even as they establish a foothold in the urban economy; and to the consequences for poverty, inequality, social

justice and the prospects for equitable change. Above all, PLAAS is founded on a commitment to critical, reasonable, thoughtful, reality-based and reflective debate on the contentious issues that are thrown up by processes of deep social change. Issues like access to land, the right to fish, the need to work, and the desire for justice are all hot-button issues, strongly tied to deeply held values and eliciting powerful emotions. When these are at stake, it is easy for facts to be thrown out of the window, and for politicians and activists to seek simplistic solutions or gratifying answers. Pointing out the hidden complexities and uncomfortable realities can sometimes be a very unpopular activity. Yet we believe it is essential. If policy solutions and development programmes are to be workable and sustainable, they need to be grounded in reality and in an understanding of the nature of social change.

In the last two years, the space for this way of thinking about politics and policy has become more and more contested. In South Africa, the political crisis in the ruling party came to a head, and put the very possibility of a developmental state in question. In the political and ideological battles that have unfolded in the last two years, the forgotten issue of land has once again become central, and has often been the subject of incendiary rhetoric – on both the right and the left of the ideological debate. As ever, this meant that PLAAS researchers were in high demand as knowledgeable experts and ‘voices of reason’ in a contentious national debate. Further abroad, the global political order has seen momentous changes: the political bungling of Brexit, the accession to power of a racist and authoritarian president in the USA, the rise of right wing populism in contexts as diverse as

Turkey, Hungary, India and the Philippines, and the growing crisis of social democratic government in Brazil and Venezuela – these have made for a tumultuous time. While these developments are diverse in nature they have four important threads in common: (1) the growing crisis of the ‘neoliberal’ global order that was established with the fall of the Soviet Union, and which has provided the backdrop to the transnational ‘development project’; (2) the emergence of predatory and kleptocratic elites and various forms of ‘state capture’; (3) the increasing power of populism, nativism, chauvinism and xenophobia as political forces in national and international politics; and (4) the growing salience of ‘post-truth’ politics, ‘fake news’ and science denialism. These shifts sometimes seem to threaten the very possibility of ‘evidence based policy making’ and reasoned political debate.

All these developments raise important challenges both for PLAAS and the University of the Western Cape. The mission of engaged academic research that provides our reason for our existence has long been part of the essence of the University as well. This commitment will be tested to the limit in the years to come. It is a daunting and exciting challenge. Our partnership with the University will be a major source of strength. So will be the collegiality and team spirit of my colleagues at PLAAS. Their depth of intellect, their warmth and generosity of spirit, and their commitment to social justice are an inspiration to me.



Professor Andries du Toit

OVERVIEW: 2016 – 2017

STAFFING

In 2016 we faced a unique set of circumstances, when we confronted our vulnerability as an institution. We came up against systemic limits to our ability to secure the money required for our institutional and support infrastructure. We faced some difficult choices, but grasped the nettle and embarked on a course of restructuring and streamlining our support function at PLAAS. That resulted in the retrenchment of an Administrator and a part-time Librarian. Additionally, our Communications Officer and Finance Officer resigned from PLAAS to take up positions elsewhere. For much of 2017 we engaged with the consequences and challenges related to our internal structure and functioning.

Another shocking sign of our fragility as an institution (and as human beings) was the serious stroke suffered in June 2016 by our colleague Dr Barbara Tapela, which not only had serious potential operational consequences but also impacted heavily on staff morale. Much of our energy as an organisation in 2017 was focused on responding pro-actively and

creatively to these pressures: not only ‘rolling with the punches’ but taking them as challenges inviting us to improve our organisational game.

While these organisational processes involved significant stresses and undeniably impacted staff morale, a consistent investment in team building – both within the research leadership and among support staff – helped minimise negative fall-out, and ensured that the organisation continued to function at a high level.

In 2016 we pursued our aim of ‘growing our own wood’ by appointing two new researchers. Refiloe Joala joined our research team to work alongside Prof Ruth Hall on Land and Agro-food Systems in Southern Africa, while Nkanyiso Gumede was brought on board to work under the supervision of Prof Ben Cousins on Land Reform in South Africa.

Our senior staff successfully applied for long overdue sabbatical leave – Prof Ruth Hall was on leave from July 2016 – June 2017 and PLAAS Director, Prof Andries du Toit commenced his leave in October 2017. Prof Moenieba Isaacs took over the reins as Acting Director for the duration of Prof du Toit’s leave period.

Senior Researchers

Prof Andries du Toit
Emeritus Prof Ben Cousins
Prof Mafa Hara
Prof Moenieba Isaacs
Prof Ruth Hall
Dr Barbara Tapela (until December 2016)
David Neves

Researchers

Cyriaque Hakizimana
Emmanuel Sulle
Refiloe Joala
Nkanyiso Gumede

Research Fellows and Post-doctoral Research Associates

Dr Phillan Zamchiya
Dr Stephen Greenberg
Dr Leah Koskimaki
Dr Donna Hornby
Dr Rosalie Kingwill
Dr Helena Pérez Niño

Visiting Professor: Sept – Nov 2017

Prof Issa Shivji
Director, Nyerere Resource Centre, Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania; Emeritus Professor of Law, University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Visiting Research Associates (2017)

Padil Salimo
PhD Candidate, Roskilde University and University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
Boaventura Monjane
PhD Candidate, Centre for Social Studies, Faculty of Economics, University of Coimbra, Portugal

Postgraduate Programme staff

Prof Moenieba Isaacs
Carla Henry
Senior Administrator
Waylene Muller
Student Assistant

Information Brokers (until Dec 2016)

Rebecca Pointer
Information and Communications
Gillian Kerchhoff
Librarian

Front-of-House staff

Ursula Arends
Administrative Manager
Babongile Malama
Administrative Officer
Joy van Dieman
Administrative Officer
Tersia Warries
Senior Administrator (until Dec 2016)
Ashley Cupido
Student Assistant
Evans Boadu
Student Assistant
Janine Baartman
Office and Cleaning Assistant

Finance Staff

Trevor Reddy
Financial Manager
Donovan Delpaul
Senior Finance Officer
Faith Qeja
Senior Finance Officer (until October 2016)



Trevor Reddy; Donovan Delpaul
Photo: Sean Wilson



Carla Henry
Photo: PLAAS



Donovan Delpaul; Faith Qeja
Photo: Linda Nementzik



Rebecca Pointer; Gillian Kerchhoff
Photo: Linda Nementzik



Joy van Dieman; Babongile Malama; Tersia Warries; Ursula Arends
Photo: Linda Nementzik



YARA Conference, 2017
Photo: Institutional Advancement, UWC

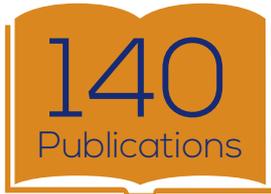


ADC Project Workshop, UWC, 2016
Photo: Institutional Advancement, UWC

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS 2016–2017

NAME	DESIGNATION	TENURE
Prof Frans Swanepoel	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research & Innovation), UWC, Chairperson	2016
Prof José Frantz	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research & Innovation), UWC, Chairperson	2017
Prof Kobus Visser	Dean, Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences (EMS), UWC	2016/2017
Prof Thandi Mgwebi	Director: Research, UWC	2016/2017
Prof Chris Tapscott	Director, School of Government, UWC	2016/2017
Prof Julian May	Director: Centre of Excellence – Food Security (CoE-FS), UWC	2016/2017
Prof Vivienne Lawack	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), UWC	2017
Prof Andries du Toit	Director, PLAAS, UWC	2016/2017
Prof Ben Cousins	DST/NRF Research Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, PLAAS, UWC	2016/2017
Prof Mafaniso Hara	Deputy Director, PLAAS, UWC	2016/2017
Prof Mandi Rukuni	Director, BEAT Trust, Zimbabwe	2016/2017
Prof Maano Ramutsindela	Dept of Environmental and Geographical Science, UCT	2016/2017

Research Outputs – At a glance



- 37** Journal articles
- 3** Books
- 14** Book chapters
- 8** Research papers
- 49** Op-Eds/Blogs
- 8** Policy briefs
- 21** Working papers



- 15** Land and Agriculture
- 7** Social Dimensions of Fisheries and Ecosystem Management
- 1** Poverty and Social Policy
- 3** Food Security



STUDENTS

24
Graduates

- 18** Postgraduate diploma students
- 4** MPhil students
- 2** PhD students



POLICY ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATION



34 Engaging Government and others

Engaging audiences through media

- 16** TV appearances
- 64** Radio interviews
- 56** Print/online articles



Social media engagement

- 6402** Twitter followers
- 2027** Facebook likes
- 218 869** Website page views
- 5397** YouTube views

HIGHLIGHTS

LAND, WATER AND RESOURCE RIGHTS

High Level Panel of Parliament on the Assessment of Key Legislation and the Acceleration of Fundamental Change

In 2016 PLAAS managed the production of 12 in-depth research reports on land reform for the High Level Panel of Parliament on the Assessment of Key Legislation and the Acceleration of Fundamental Change, chaired by former President Kgalema Motlanthe managed by Ben Cousins, who wrote one of the reports. Ruth Hall and former PLAAS deputy director Prof Thembela Kepe co-authored

the report on land redistribution for the HLP. Hall also presented to the HLP roundtables on land redistribution and farm dwellers. The final report of the Panel was released in November 2017.

Open Book Festival (2017)

PLAAS curated four panels on aspects of land reform in South Africa, as part of the Open Book Festival in Cape Town in 2017, and attracted large audiences. Ruth Hall facilitated a panel discussion on land restitution titled 'Reloaded or exploded?' Panelists included Connie Mogale, Maano Ramutsindela and Nomfundo Gobodo. Hall also convened a panel on land expropriation, with participants Michael Aliber, Jeremy Cronin and Lubabalo Ntsholo. Ben Cousins chaired a



Former President Kgalema Motlanthe, with High Level Panelists Dr Aninka Claassens and Judge Navi Pillay
Photo: Lowvelder newspaper

discussion of urban land reform titled 'Missing in action' with panellists Adi Kumar, Sarita Pillay and Lauren Royston. Cousins also convened the land tenure panel discussing social tenures vs. individual titling, with Phiwe Ndinisa and Thomas Walters.

Land Policy in Africa

Several PLAAS researchers participated in and delivered presentations at the *Conference on Land Policy in Africa (CLPA)*, which took place in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in November 2017. CLPA was hosted by the Land Policy Initiative (LPI) which is a joint initiative of the African Union Commission, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, and the African Development Bank. The Conference was a policy and learning event whose goal was to deepen capacity for land policy in Africa through improved access to knowledge and information on land policy development and implementation. This Conference followed an inaugural Conference held in November 2014 in Addis Ababa, that was attended by close to 400 participants.

Emmanuel Sulle served on the Scientific Committee of the conference. The committee functioned as the advisory body to the Land Policy Initiative, and oversaw the selection of abstracts and conference papers. Sulle facilitated the inclusion of three panels on PLAAS co-ordinated research projects: 'Political Economy of African Growth Corridors', 'Land and Commercialisation in Africa' and 'Young African Researchers in Agriculture'.

FARMING, AGRO-FOOD SYSTEMS AND AGRARIAN REFORM

Rethinking Agriculture – Constraints and Opportunities: Key Lessons for Policy Makers

In October 2016 Ben Cousins organised a three-day conference on Rethinking Agriculture – Constraints and Opportunities: Key Lessons for Policy Makers. This took place under the auspices of the Mandela Initiative on Strategies to Overcome Poverty and Inequality, together with the Centre of Excellence in Food Security. Key areas of discussion during the conference were the issue of job creation in the rural areas; the nature (and heterogeneity) of smallholder agriculture in the country and continuity and change in commercial agriculture over two decades.

The objectives of the Conference were:

- a. To promote the active participation of, and dialogue between researchers, academics, government and civil society organisations.
- b. To present and engage implications of recent research on the South African rural economy, specifically production, markets, livelihoods and employment.
- c. To debate the continuities and changes taking place in order to rethink agriculture and the space for policy responses.
- d. To support the participation of younger and black researchers.

The conference set out to ensure ‘dialogue’ and debate in order to deliver policy proposals by inviting a range of stakeholders. The programme was structured to maximise participation, with regular slots aimed at pulling out the implications of research for policy and practice. Five researchers working under Cousins reported key research findings on job creation in farming, forestry and fisheries.

Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Africa (LACA)

The ESRC/DFID-funded Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Africa (LACA) research project, led by PLAAS and IDS at the University of Sussex, investigated the social and economic impacts of different models of agricultural commercialisation (outgrowers, medium-scale commercial farms and plantations) in Ghana, Kenya and Zambia. The findings of this study were presented at the 2016 World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty in Washington DC and at a policy dialogue in Kenya. Stakeholders represented producers, policy makers, private sector partners, academia, and local civil society organisations. Four journal articles reporting the findings were published in the *Journal of Peasant Studies Forum* in 2017.

Political Economy of Sugar in Southern Africa

June 2017 saw the publication of a special issue of the prestigious *Journal of Southern African Studies* on The Political Economy of Sugar in Southern Africa (JSAS, Vol. 43, No. 3). Our PLAAS PhD student, Alex Dubb, formed part of the editorial team, including Ian Scoones (IDS, University of Sussex) and Philip Woodhouse (University of Manchester) and authored an article in addition to co-authoring the introductory essay. Emmanuel Sulle of PLAAS authored another article in the special issue, focusing on sugarcane outgrowing in Tanzania.

BRICS Initiative in Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS)

PLAAS researchers and students presented well-received papers on aspects of agrarian change at two major international conferences in 2016 and 2017, held in Beijing and Moscow respectively. These were held under the auspices of the BRICS Initiative in Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS) and were co-convened by PLAAS along with universities in China, Brazil, Russia and the Netherlands, as well as the Transnational Institute.



LACA Policy Dialogue, Kenya, 2016
Photo: Cyriaque Hakizimana



BICAS Conference, Moscow 2017. Participants included, Prof Sergio Schneider (Brazil), Prof Ruth Hall (PLAAS), Prof Saturnino 'Jun' Borrás (Philippines / Netherlands), Prof Alexander Nikhulin (Russia), Prof Teodor Shanin (Russia)



YARA Conference participants, Cape Town 2017
 Photo: Institutional Advancement, UWC



YARA Gala Dinner. In attendance, Prof Pamela Dube (DVC, UWC), Prof Andries du Toit, (PLAAS), Lamia Naji (MasterCard Foundation), Prof Tyrone Pretorius, (Rector, UWC), Kai Carter (David and Lucile Packard Foundation), Patricia Lawrence (IA, UWC), Prof Kobus Visser (Dean, EMS Faculty, UWC)
 Photo: Institutional Advancement, UWC

Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA)

PLAAS hosted the inaugural conference of the Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) network in 2017. The conference brought together young and early career African researchers in agriculture from all over the continent in a new peer network.

PLAAS launched the initiative in 2014 at the African Union Headquarters in Addis Ababa and was inspired by the need to support and promote young scholars on the continent in order to secure the future of research, policy and practice in Africa's rural transformation. YARA's aim is to support young professionals in sharing information and concerns and working on the challenges they face in their career development. In doing this, the network helps address the critical shortage of rural development research capacity on the African continent. During the inaugural conference held in February 2017 in Cape Town, presenters addressed questions of the transformation of rural economies in Africa, and sought to forge strong collaborative relationships among young African academics. The conference provided members of YARA with the opportunity to share their research findings and experiences and get constructive feedback from their peers, as well as senior academics and policy makers who attended the conference.

SOCIAL DIMENSIONS OF FISHERIES AND ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT

Fish for Nutrition and Food Security

Moenieba Isaacs continued to advocate for linking the right to food, and right to livelihoods to the dignity of small-scale fishers in South Africa. Her contribution included participating in an Expert Working Group on Fisheries Crime to unpack the notion of fisheries crime, the role of Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing and the transboundary crime link to fisheries. Her contribution was specifically on how small-scale fisheries were linked to crime. Isaacs was also part of the Civil Society Mechanism Working Group (CSM WG), an initiative of the Committee on Food Security (CFS) that oversees the monitoring of the Voluntary Guidelines on the Governance of Tenure in Land, Fisheries and Forestry (VGGT).



Photo: Moenieba Isaacs

Additionally, Isaacs formed part of the drafting team for CSM WG of the CFS that oversees the monitoring of the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure (VGGT) of Land, Fisheries, Forestry to conduct interviews, desktop reviews of civil society experiences regarding the use and implementation of the Tenure Guidelines. In July 2016, Isaacs presented the preliminary findings of the CSM report on the use and application of the VGGT in Land, Fisheries and Forestry in Rome. A report was also prepared and presented at the CFS 43 session in October 2016.

Too Big To Ignore

Moenieba Isaacs is on the project steering committee and is also the African regional coordinator of this global partnership for the future of small-scale fisheries. She leads the research cluster on the importance of fish for nutrition. She was also co-editor of a Special Issue of the *Journal of Agriculture and Food Security*, on “Fisheries and Food Systems: Cross Pollinations and Synthesis”. This special issue explored the importance of

small-scale fisheries to food systems and food security at local, regional, and global levels. Fisheries, whether large or small, wild or farmed, commercial, artisanal, subsistence, or otherwise, contribute in multiple important ways to the lives and livelihoods of billions of people world-wide.

PescaDolus

Moenieba Isaacs was a founding member of PescaDolus, an NGO working on fish crime, in South Africa and internationally. She is actively engaged in research related to fish crime in the fishing environment in South Africa. She currently also serves as a Board Member of this organisation.

Fish Trade in Southern Africa

Fish is an important source of protein. More than this, fish trade plays a key role in providing livelihoods and economic growth, especially among the rural and poor populations of Africa. The sale of fish and fish products at competitive prices can also increase availability and accessibility of food, especially for the low-income groups.



These are some of the findings that emerged from the Fish Trade in Southern Africa research project, that fell within the three-year (2015–2017) Africa Fish Trade Programme (AFTP) led by Mafaniso Hara at PLAAS. The aim of the programme was to improve food and nutritional security and reduce poverty in sub-Saharan Africa by enhancing the capacities of regional and pan-African organisations to support their member states to better integrate intra-regional fish trade into their development and food security policy agendas. Through three separate research projects, studies focused on strengthening coherent policy development at national and regional levels; supporting the formulation and implementation of appropriate policies, standards and regulatory frameworks to promote intra-regional fish trade; and strengthening the capacity of private sector associations, in particular of women fish traders, to enhance the competitiveness of small- and medium-scale enterprises engaged in the fish trade.

Fish and fish products are increasingly being traded across borders

The inclusion of signed and ratified free trade agreements into national laws and implementation of such laws by all SADC member states, can enhance the capacities of regional and pan-African organisations to support their member states to better integrate intra-regional fish trade into their development and food security policy agendas.

But a lack of technical standards for managing processed fish is hampering integration efforts. “Apart from the existing free trade agreements,



Photo: Refiloe Joala

there is need to develop and harmonise, agree on, ratify and implement standards for fish and fish products across the region,” explains Mafaniso Hara. Similarly, findings show that trade among small-scale fishers in SADC and the Southern Africa Customs Union is mostly informal. This is largely due to low levels of trust in formal channels by this group of traders.

Improving border infrastructure, processes and institutions and developing common principles for minimum quality and standards through shared understanding and agreements could greatly increase traders’ confidence in formal border systems and enhance the contribution of cross-border trade to food and nutrition security.

Gender representation in value chain governance

In the SADC region, women form an important component of cross-border trade, especially informal trade. Looking into the gender representation in value chain governance in Malawi and its neighbouring countries, the study revealed that women comprise 70% of small-scale traders that take fish across the border. However, the capacity of women fish traders, needs to be strengthened to enhance the competitiveness of small- and medium-scale enterprises engaged in fish trade.

This can be done through “better organisation through for example fish trade cooperatives,



PLAAS researchers Prof Mafaniso Hara (back row second from left) and Dr Barbara Tapela (back row second from right) with research partners and participants of the Inland Fisheries research project
Photo: Mafaniso Hara

capital funding and raising awareness about their rights to conduct trade across borders freely as stipulated under free trade agreements and protection of these rights,” says Mafaniso Hara. Given the role that women play in ensuring that their families and households have food, trade-based livelihoods are important in contributing to household food security. Therefore, improving how women and small-scale traders transact economically both nationally and through cross-border trade, without diminishing their effectiveness, ought to be an important aspect of regional trade agreements.

Towards Enhancing Contributions of Inland Fisheries to Rural Livelihoods

In 2016, Mafaniso Hara (as Project Leader) and Barbara Tapela (as Principal Investigator), in collaboration with the University of Limpopo, UCT, Rhodes University and the South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity (SAIAB) successfully fund-raised for a follow-on project on inland fisheries in South Africa, which started at the end of 2016. In line with that project, Hara was one of three experts who developed the Inland Fisheries Policy for South Africa through a consultative process. The Policy was still at Socioeconomic Impact Assessment stage (by the Presidency) by the end of 2017.

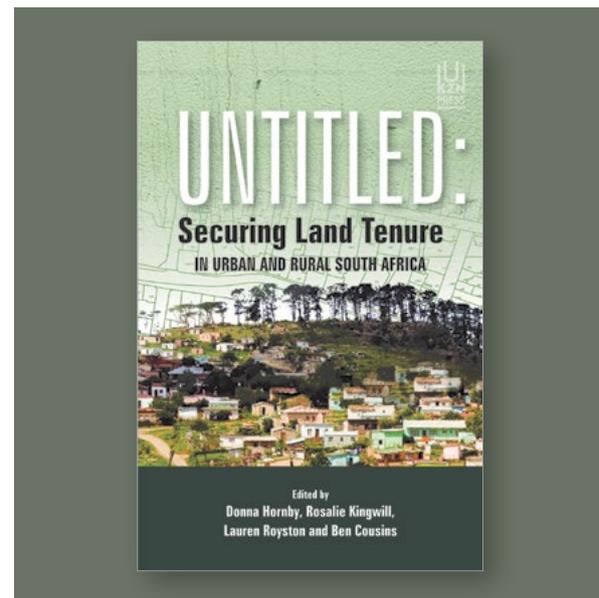
NEW BOOKS LAUNCHED

Securing Land Tenure in Urban and Rural South Africa

A title deed is understood to ensure tenure security. However, a new book on tenure reform edited by Ben Cousins, together with two of his former PhD

students (Donna Hornby and Rosalie Kingwill), and Lauren Royston of the Socio-Economic Rights Institute of SA (SERI) challenges this simple equation and its apparently self-evident assumptions. *Untitled: Securing land tenure in urban and rural South Africa* argues that two very different property paradigms characterise South Africa. The first is the dominant paradigm of private property, referred to as an ‘edifice’, against which all other property regimes are measured and ranked. However, the majority of South Africans gain access to land and housing through very different processes, which this book calls social or off-register tenures. These tenures are poorly understood, a gap *Untitled* aims to address.

The book reveals that ‘informal’ and customary property systems can be well organised, often providing substantial tenure security, but lack official recognition and support.



This makes them difficult to service and vulnerable to elite capture. Policy interventions usually aim to formalise these arrangements by issuing title deeds. The case studies in this book, which span both rural and urban contexts in South Africa, examine these interventions and the unintended consequences they often give rise to. Interventions based on an understanding of locally embedded property relations are more likely to succeed than those that attempt to transform them into registered tenures. However, emerging practices hit intractable obstacles associated with the 'edifice', which only a substantial transformation of the legal paradigms can overcome.

FUNDER OF THIS RESEARCH PROJECT:
IDRC and URBAN LANDMARK

Emerging Agro-food Chains and the Right to Food in Southern Africa

In April 2017, PLAAS launched a book of case studies titled *Changing agro-food systems: The impact of big agro-investors on food rights*, co-authored by Refiloe Joala, Phillan Zamchiya, Clemente Ntauazi, Patrick Musole and Ceasar Katebe, at an event hosted by the Open Society

Initiative for Southern Africa (OSISA). The book emerged out of a joint action research project that PLAAS implemented in partnership with Civil Society Organisation (CSO) partners working on land issues and farming systems in rural Mozambique (ADECRO) and Zambia (Zambia Land Alliance). Dissemination meetings with CSO partners in Lusaka and Maputo in late 2017 were attended by government officials, CSOs, media and farmers' groups.

NEW VIDEO DOCUMENTARIES

Dynamics of Land Deals in Africa

In February 2017 PLAAS released a documentary film on *The Dynamics of Land Deals in Africa* which examined several large-scale deals in Mozambique, Tanzania and Zambia and highlighted the complexity of their impacts. This extraordinary documentary highlights the nuanced impacts of these investments. Small-scale farmers and producers, national government officials, and African policy-makers unpack the deals,

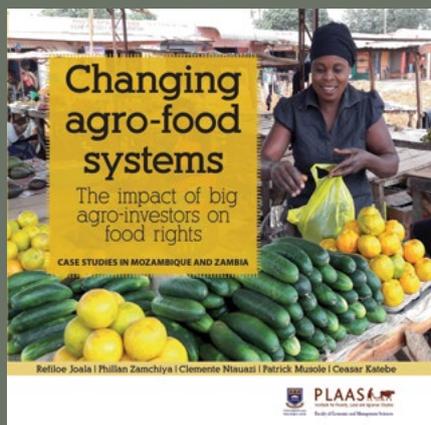


Photo: Emmanuel Sulle

showing that there are winners and losers when providing investors access to large tracts of land in Africa. For example, land deals impact differently on women and youth, and altering land regimes also impacts on access to other natural resources such as water, fish, and local indigenous vegetables. The various case studies discussed in the documentary raise issues that all stakeholders need to consider when making land deals. To date the documentary, produced by Emmanuel Sulle, has had 1,163 views on YouTube.

From Farm to Plate (Zambia) and Soyfoods (Mozambique)

The 2017 launch event of the book of case studies titled *Changing agro-food systems: The impact of big agro-investors on food rights*, included a screening of two short documentary films. Both these documentaries offer vivid testimonies from community members: “From farm to plate: Changing agro-food systems in Zambia” and “Soyfoods and the soya boom in Mozambique: A look at agro-food system change”.

Fisherwomen and their Struggle for Secure Livelihoods

Along with general challenges associated with governance of tenure, the struggles of fisherwomen in relation to small-scale fisheries policy implementation, food security, poaching, and criminal livelihoods is often a neglected area of research and policy formation. Using documentary techniques, Moenieba Isaacs drew on existing research to showcase the issues, the women, and their daily struggles to survive. Fatiema “Poppie” Kok, is a 15-minute video documentary on a specific fisherwoman’s life story. The documentary highlights how a ‘broken’

governance system failed to incorporate her in the formal rights allocation system. The documentary unpacks the complexities of livelihood strategies and dynamics of allocating rights along Individual Transferable Quotas (ITQs) in poor fishing communities. The video also calls for reflection on: How governance systems cope with the local community level dynamics of nepotism, rights grabbers (elite capture), corruption, and illegal fishing whilst implementing a new small-scale fisheries policy. The documentary aims to understand the livelihood strategies of the poor in accessing fishing rights as well as to shed light on why/how within the various coping strategies adopted by respondents, some are “hanging in” others are “stepping up”, many are “stepping in”, a few are “stepping out” and many are “renting out” fishing rights.



Ocean View fisherwoman, Fatiema “Poppie” Kok
Photo: Moenieba Isaacs

Can Communities be Responsible for *Perlemoen* (Abalone) Poaching? “The Women of Buffeljagsbaai”

Working with the community of Buffeljagsbaai, Moenieba Isaacs’ research looks beyond the traditional fisheries management and enforcement models to address illegal fishing in the South African small-scale fishing sector, to understand criminal livelihoods from the women in the community of Buffeljagsbaai.

Outputs of this project include a video documentary on understanding small-scale fisheries and the harvesting of abalone. The documentary was presented at the Fish Crime Symposium in Vienna in September 2017. It focuses on Buffeljagsbaai, a small rural fishing community of 40 households about 150 km from Cape Town. Although the community is situated in the wealthy Overstrand Local Municipality, the community struggles with access to schooling, basic housing, running water, sanitation and fishing rights to harvest the marine resources on their shores to sustain their livelihoods.

The documentary contextualises the complexities of criminal livelihoods linked to *perlemoen* (abalone) poaching in the marginalised coastal community of Buffeljagsbaai – where women, on a daily basis, are faced with difficult choices between feeding their families and making quick cash from poachers and risk imprisonment. The documentary portrays the life and struggles of Sarah Niemand and the women of Buffeljagsbaai’s deep and spiritual connections to nature as they make sense of their tenure insecurity on their

ancestral land and the challenges of creating alternative livelihoods. The women of Buffeljagsbaai use food and the production of food sourced from the seascapes (land and sea) to resist the threats from authorities to their livelihoods, land and food security. Then they also dream of one day owning their own community-based *perlemoen* (abalone) aquaculture farm to secure sustainable livelihoods, tenure security, and to present an indirect challenge to the poaching activities in their area.

Rural Livelihoods and Development in South Africa

This documentary, produced by David Neves, examines rural livelihoods in South Africa. Drawing on the narratives of several interviewees, it explains how impoverished people in South Africa’s rural, former ‘homeland’ communal areas survive and sustain themselves. The film suggests both the importance of and the differences between rural areas and urban centres, and the multiple activities on which the poor typically rely for their survival.

AWARD

Excellence in Community Engagement

In 2017 Prof Moenieba Isaacs was awarded UWC’s first Excellence in Community Engagement Award. The award recognises her work with fishing communities over the last 20 years at local, national and international levels.



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RENOWNED SCHOLAR BRINGS FRESH INSIGHTS INTO SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS

One of Africa's leading scholars on the political economy of agrarian change, **Professor Issa Shivji** visited PLAAS for two months in 2017. A renowned legal scholar and Africanist, Professor Shivji has devoted most of his life to addressing issues related to the exploitation of Tanzanians through both national and international economic and legal policies and orders. He is particularly known for his view that human rights alone cannot transform a country: "You cannot have a free individual in an enslaved society," he has said.

In 2014, together with two other colleagues, Prof Shivji established the Nyerere Resource Centre under the Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology. His research interests include land, political economy, law, human rights and pan-Africanism. The focus of his research and writing has been the place and plight of the working

people in the capitalist social formations of the periphery under imperialist hegemony. He is currently involved in researching and writing the biography of Tanzania's first president and 'father of the nation', Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, together with two other colleagues. Prof Shivji has published over 30 books and monographs, in English and Swahili, over 30 chapters in books, and over 35 articles. His most recent two articles are published in the *Agrarian South* and one titled 'Mwalimu and Marx in Contestation' is forthcoming also in the *Agrarian South*.

During his stay at UWC, Prof Shivji presented papers at a variety of well-attended seminars, workshops and colloquiums, and advised a number of PLAAS researchers and students on their research projects. Highlights of his stay included participation in a colloquium on The Political Economy of Development with several activists from civil society speaking on panels, and also in a special seminar on Pro-poor Economic Development and Redistribution, together with Ben Cousins, Neil Coleman and Jeremy Cronin.



PLAAS staff welcome Prof Issa Shivji (centre) to PLAAS
Photos: Institutional Advancement, UWC



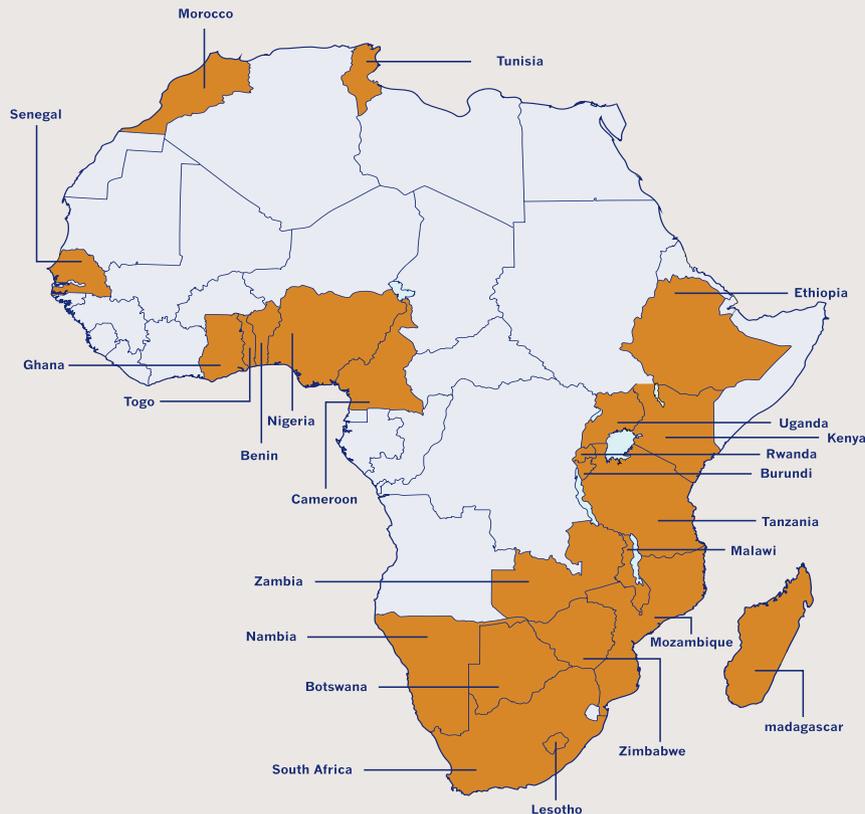
PLAAS – GEOGRAPHICAL EXPANSION

Our geographical expansion, as in previous years, continues to grow with a wide range of research, teaching and training areas across the continent, several including collaboration with key African research partners. Our research, teaching and training areas include:

- large scale land deals, ‘land grabbing’ and the commercialisation of agriculture in sub-Saharan Africa;
- agro-food systems and the right to food in Southern Africa;
- land and water rights in Southern Africa;

- women’s land rights in Africa;
- land reform in South Africa, including land redistribution, restitution and tenure reform;
- land governance in Africa;
- the development and support of young African researchers in agriculture;
- social dimensions of fisheries and ecosystem management.

At present, we are running active research, teaching and training projects with footprints in 23 African countries, including South Africa (see figure below).



TEACHING, RESEARCH AND TRAINING AT PLAAS

Integrated Research, Teaching and Learning

In 2016 we saw a considerable renewal in our approach to teaching. This process was given real impetus by the return from sabbatical leave by Moenieba Isaacs, who has driven an energetic process of reconceptualising our teaching programme and ensuring better alignment between our research and our teaching programme.

The new approach proposes that PLAAS should move towards a much more research-led approach in its teaching, and seek to achieve a close integration between the UWC IOP's Goal Areas 2 and 3. We propose to do this by creating a 'semi-structured' framework for MPhils and PhDs by dissertation, in which prospective students, instead of making their way towards graduation individually, are embedded within our research programmes and encouraged to develop research proposals that have strong synergies with projects on the ground. By grouping postgraduate students into cohorts, we hope to create a better environment for peer-supported learning and research and a structured approach to methodological and fieldwork training.

Registrations, graduations and scholarships

In the period under review, we graduated 18 Postgraduate Diploma students, 4 MPhils and 2 PhDs. As in previous years, the DST/NRF Chair's postgraduate programme was responsible for a significant contribution here. Our Postgraduate Diploma has continued going strong, although with somewhat reduced numbers – 15 registering in 2016 and 9 in 2017 – mainly due to financial constraints.

During 2017, PLAAS made three presentations in the Parliament of South Africa, to the Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform. The Chairperson, the Hon Phumuzile Ngwenya-Mabila, expressed a keen interest in our PG Diploma programme to enhance the MPs' capacities and performance.

In 2016 we saw the first intake of students supported by the Centre of Excellence in Food Security (CoE-FS), one Master's and one PhD student. In 2017 the COE-FS awarded PLAAS with 4 additional scholarships, as part of the wider project championed by Andries du Toit. The scholarships were allocated to 2 PhDs and 2 Master's students.



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PLAAS students on a field trip to the Philippi Horticultural Area (PHA). This urban agricultural project is the source of a large percentage of Cape Town's fresh produce and is currently under threat of losing a significant portion of its productive farmland.

In 2016 we had noted with concern the departure from the South African funding scene of the Belgian Technical Co-operation (BTC), which had provided PLAAS with scholarships for the past 10 years, from 2005 to 2015. However, we were pleased when that gap was addressed by the indefatigable efforts by Moenieba Isaacs, who launched a successful application through the Land Policy Initiative (LPI) of the African Union (AU), for PLAAS to become a Host Institution in the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) programme's In-Region Scholarship Programme. From 2018, PLAAS will offer DAAD MPhil and PhD scholarships. This partnership will ensure long-term multi-year scholarships for our Teaching Programme.

PhDs and Post-doctoral Research Fellows at PLAAS

In 2016 we also officially registered our PhD stream in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies.

Moenieba Isaacs subsequently spearheaded the process that led to the introduction at PLAAS of a PhD by Publications. Building on the University's 2002 Policy, "Guidelines for the Doctoral Thesis (PhD) by Publications", we developed further guidelines for implementation at Faculty level. This new model has the potential to increase both our student numbers as well as the PLAAS publication outputs as students will be required to publish 4-5 articles. This PhD option targets experienced researchers who already have a publication record. Since the accreditation of our PhD programme in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, interest in this programme is growing with two students already registered and another three in the process of developing their proposals. During the period under review, we hosted 6 Post-doctoral Research Fellows, who were supervised primarily by Ben Cousins and Andries du Toit.



Teachers/Supervisors on our postgraduate teaching programme, Prof Moenieba Isaacs; Prof Andries du Toit; Dr Barbara Tapela; Prof Ben Cousins
Photos: PLAAS





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**Tshililo Manenzhe, former PLAAS researcher, graduated with a PhD in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, under the supervision of Prof Ben Cousins. Dr Manenzhe is currently the Content Advisor: Rural Development and Land Reform, Parliament of RSA
Photo: PLAAS**

Short-Course Training

Another important development were the links forged with the Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa (NELGA), a partnership of various African Universities and tertiary/research institutions in four regions of the continent (see table below).

COUNTRY	LPI AND/OR NELGA CONTACT
Tanzania	ARDHI University, Dar es Salaam (NELGA Node, East Africa)
Morocco	Institut Agronomique et Vétérinaire Hassan II, Rabat (NELGA Node, North Africa)
Namibia	Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST), Windhoek (NELGA Node, Southern Africa)
Ghana	Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Kumasi (NELGA Node, West Africa)

PLAAS underwent a capacity needs assessment for NELGA nodes, which informs NELGA on the support required for each node to play its role as a regional/thematic lead. On 27-28 March 2017 PLAAS hosted Ibrahim Mwathane, who met with PLAAS Management and the Dean of the EMS Faculty. We held a Capacity Evaluation Seminar which entailed various PLAAS presentations. Through our partnership with this network, we have an opportunity to offer case-study-based short courses on land governance for government officials, non-governmental organisations, development professionals and journalists. The proposed short courses would be aligned with our PG Diploma and we would look into registering accredited short courses. This would also expand our opportunity in blended learning practices. A proposal for funding totalling US\$260,000 was developed and presented at the “Curricular Needs Assessment and Mapping of Existing Land Training Centers in Africa” Validation Workshop in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia on 27 July 2016. Additionally, Moenieba Isaacs attended a series of workshops and consultancy meetings in Ethiopia during the course of 2016/2017:

- “Proposal for Training Programme for Land Professionals.” Workshop presented at the Land Policy Initiative (LPI) African Union’s Validation Workshop on Assessment Report Needs and Gaps of Curricula on Land Governance and Institutions of Higher Learning for NELGA, Addis Ababa, 28 July 2016.
- Advisory meeting for the scholarship programme under the Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa (NELGA) organised by the African Land Policy Initiative (LPI) together with the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) on 25 April 2017 at UNECA, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- Expert Group Meeting to validate study on Land, Ethnicity and Conflict in Africa, on 13-14 June 2017, United Nations Conference Centre, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- Inputs into the Inception Report of the NELGA short course training in Land Governance, on 15 June 2017 hosted by the African Land Policy Initiative (LPI), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The NELGA short-course training is scheduled to start in 2018.



Recipients of the PLAAS Postgraduate Diploma in Land and Agrarian Studies
Photos: PLAAS



Land Reform, Food Systems and Agrarian Change in South Africa

The DST/NRF Research Chair, Ben Cousins, launched a second phase of his research programme in 2015, focusing on four aspects of agrarian change. Firstly, it assesses the dynamics of change in commercial agriculture in South Africa, including geographic extension to new locales in Africa and elsewhere, and the effects of these dynamics on patterns of production, consumption, employment and income. Emerging black commercial farmers are a key group that needs to be better understood. Secondly, it explores land rights in communal areas in South Africa, particularly in relation to joint ventures between traditional leaders and private sector companies. Thirdly, the study examines impacts of agrarian change on rural livelihoods in communal areas, and the impact of land reform on the character of small-scale farming and rural livelihoods. Finally, it studies the impact of land reform on systems of livestock production, in South Africa and the region. Much of the research is conducted by PhD students. “Agrarian change” in this programme is conceptualised in terms of the class dynamics of capitalism, which can assume a variety of forms in societies such as South Africa.

Together with PLAAS colleague Ruth Hall, Cousins has explored the expansion of South African

commercial farming operations and large, agri-business corporations into other African countries over the past decade. In a recent article (Hall and Cousins 2017) they argue that these enterprises attempt to reproduce agro-food systems centred on the dominance of large capital, as is the case in South Africa, but this has contradictory social impacts. As a result, South African agrarian capital encounters “substantial obstacles to entry, and challenges mounted by competitors in destination markets, including firms from other middle-income countries with expanding agro-food industries of their own”. Success as a regional hegemon in Africa’s agro-food system is thus far from assured, and tends to generate social tensions of the kinds currently being experienced in South Africa itself.

PhD student *Mnqobi Ngubane* is exploring the challenges experienced by a large group of “emerging” black commercial farmers located in the eastern Free State, engaged in dryland cropping and livestock production. They first obtained their medium-scale farms in the late 1980s, and since then have received substantial funding through government’s land reform programme. However, the majority of farmers remain under-capitalised and struggle to survive, and many lease out their arable land to white farmers. Few are engaged in successful agricultural accumulation, and these may be benefiting from elite capture of state support

programmes. This case raises many questions about the effectiveness of government's land reform and agricultural development programmes.

Marie-France Baron Bonarjee (PhD student) is undertaking a study of smallholder broiler production in Zimbabwe, using a mix of quantitative and qualitative approaches. Exploratory research has revealed that, unusually for commercial poultry production systems, this sector is dominated by smallholder farmers rather than large-scale, vertically integrated companies. This research is exploring the reasons for this, as well as the impacts of small-scale broiler enterprises on the incomes, livelihoods and gendered divisions of labour in smallholder households.

Brittany Bunce (PhD student) is conducting an in-depth study of a large-scale joint venture in communal areas in the Eastern Cape, focused on

intensive dairy farming - the Amadlelo scheme. This is structured as a form of "share milking", an approach borrowed from New Zealand. Bunce has undertaken both survey and ethnographic research on the complexities of social differentiation within the rural "communities" participating in the scheme, and her work reveals that the distribution of benefits is highly uneven at the local level. Joint ventures of this type do not constitute a resolution of what Bernstein (2010) terms "the agrarian question of labour".

Alex Dubb focuses his PhD research on the contours of the "grain-livestock complex" in South Africa, and in particular on the complex interconnections that exist between different agents within meat value chains. He views these issues through the lenses of the agrarian questions of capital and labour and the political settlement upheld by state policy on land, rural development and social protection. This sustains



PLAAS PhD students, Alex Dubb, Marie-France Baron Bonarjee and David Neves in Berlin
Photo: Ben Cousins



Post-doctoral student Helena Pérez Nino and PhD students, Alex Dubb, Brittany Bunce and Mngqobi Ngubane during a field trip in KwaZulu-Natal
Photo: Brittany Bunce

the “valorization of capital” in South African food production, while protecting it from competition. Dubb’s research examines the dialectics of unemployment and over-exploitation; subsidised production and grants-fuelled consumption; and the nutritional crises of deprivation and obesity.

Tapiwa Chatikobo’s PhD research focuses on livestock producers who benefited from fast-track land reform in the early 2000s, in Matabeleland South province in Zimbabwe. Given the low and unreliable rainfall in this region, livestock mobility is key. As a result, these farmers enter into complex arrangements with neighbours and others for accessing land beyond the boundaries of their individual farm units. Capital from off-farm sources is vital to sustain investment and accumulation, and livestock producers are highly differentiated in terms of class. Political connections play a role too. In this environment, property rights, power relations and the specifics of livestock production interact in complex ways.

David Neves is writing a PhD based on published journal articles that explore the dynamics of poverty and livelihood change in communal areas in the Eastern Cape. One key issue is that of livelihood diversification. Against the backdrop of constrained prospects for agrarian accumulation by the dispossessed, Neves examines social differentiation amongst “fragmented classes of labour” within communal areas. These impoverished households reproduce themselves through formal labour market earning and remittances, modest but widespread state welfare transfers, and low levels of informal economic activity (including agriculture). Households’ varied positions relative to these domains - and the larger structural context – underpin patterns of rural social differentiation.

Post-doctoral student *Donna Hornby* has collaborated with a land rights NGO located in KwaZulu-Natal, AFRA, in undertaking a large-scale survey of farm dwellers and farm workers on 83 commercial farms in the Midlands area. Such populations are highly vulnerable, and have not been assisted by government’s land reform programme to date. The survey reveals that large numbers of unemployed young people are located on such farms, and that they are agitating for land redistribution as well as tenure reform. These are novel research findings which suggest the need to rethink key aspects of land policy.

Cousins also continued his long-standing field research project in Tugela Ferry in KwaZulu-Natal. Over the past two years this project has focused on understanding the complexities of social reproduction in rural South Africa, where Bernstein’s concept of “fragmented classes of labour” seems to offer a purchase on the complexities of social, cultural, economic and political life in former labour reserves. Cousins has argued in several conference papers that social reproduction in such contexts include distinctive forms of marriage, systems of kinship and community membership, as well as of property relations not characterised by private ownership. Much social reproduction occurs outside of direct market relations, but is deeply conditioned and shaped by the dynamics of the wider capitalist economy, including in relation to wage labour and small-scale agricultural production.

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RESEARCH PROJECTS

LAND AND AGRICULTURE

More Money for Fewer People? Exploring the Role of the State, Market and Community in South Africa's Land Redistribution Strategy

This project investigated the implementation of market-based but state-controlled land redistribution in South Africa - the Proactive Land Acquisition Strategy (PLAS) - to understand its implications for justice ideal in terms of official post-apartheid land reform policies. The research aimed to: (i) investigate state strategies and practices on land acquisition, beneficiary selection, and post-settlement support for farmers; (ii) critically assess the PLAS impact on farmers who

are to benefit from the scheme; and (iii) understand how government actors and beneficiaries see PLAS in terms of the overall goal of land reform, which includes redressing historical land injustices.

The research focused on farming households beneficiaries in six districts of three provinces. The PLAS strategy sees the state purchasing farms for land reform beneficiaries, while remaining the owner of the land. Our study contributed to debates concerning the roles of state, justice, market and community in land reform and rural development, including processes of class formation in the countryside. The three-year project was led by Thembela Kepe, Professor at University of Toronto and Ruth Hall.

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RESEARCH COUNCIL, CANADA



Photo: Thembela Kepe



Photo: Ruth Hall

Land and Water Rights in Southern Africa: Entrenching Global and Regional Policy Frameworks

This project built on the 2012-2015 project to leverage further learning and extend the impact on policies and practices that will improve land and water governance and create a more enabling environment to achieve food security. Building the research capacity of Zambia Land Alliance (Zambia), Acção Académica Para O Desenvolvimento das Comunidades Rurais (ADECRU) (Mozambique), and Tshintsha Amakhaya (South Africa), the project documented the situation, perspectives and aspirations of the communities they worked with and fed this into policy fora. The project was led by Ruth Hall and Phillan Zamchiya.

FUNDER: AUSTRIAN DEVELOPMENT
CO-OPERATION (ADC)

Agricultural Investment Projects and Joint Ventures in Communal Areas in South Africa

The overall objective of the project is to understand the character of large-scale agricultural investments and joint venture projects in communal areas, and in particular their impacts on the land rights and livelihoods of local residents, as well as similar initiatives within other programmes of land reform such as redistribution. Key questions to be answered include: what is the nature of the investment? How is it structured, who receives what kinds of benefits, and who carries what risk or resource loss? What are the impacts on the land rights and livelihoods of local residents? What role do government officials, traditional leaders and others play in facilitating such deals? The baseline

against which change will be measured is the status of land rights and the quantity and quality of livelihoods at the beginning of the project.

Character of large-scale agricultural investments and joint venture projects in communal areas

The dominant institutional model at present in community-private sector partnerships or joint ventures in the agricultural sector is a 'corporatised' structure, with two main features. In the first, a company is formed in which both the investor and the relevant community holds different proportions of shares, and dividends are paid accordingly. In land restitution cases the community shareholding should comprise slightly more than 50% of shares. Often the company makes a commitment to give preferential treatment to community members when offering employment opportunities. The company usually rents the land from the community. The second feature is characterised by earnings from both dividends and rental paid to another body representing community interests, either a company, a trust, a traditional



Photo: Phillan Zamchiya

council, or a communal property association. Sometimes a combination of these is proposed.

Risks and benefits of agricultural investment in communal areas

A range of types of benefit are promised to community members by external investors, but the value of these benefits varies a great deal. For example, benefits can be in the form of dividend payouts; a share of produce for distribution to community members, preferential employment opportunities within the agricultural enterprise, either permanent jobs or as temporary workers required for specific tasks, and the transfer of skills and management expertise through training or on-the-job experience.

However, the delivery of benefits to community members participating in joint ventures often presents difficulties and generates a degree of dissatisfaction. A review of the wider literature on joint ventures reveals that dividend payments to community members are highly variable and sometimes fail to materialise at all; that land use

fees (or rents), are often calculated at low rates; that the share of the produce that is distributed is highly variable; that employment benefits are often quite limited; and that few community members benefit from training opportunities. Experience in Lambasi and Strydkraal confirmed these patterns.

Moreover, the variability and risks associated with commercial agricultural production is not always adequately explained to community members participating in joint ventures. In those cases where benefits are distributed, these are often not as lucrative as was anticipated. Similarly, the transfer of skills is often challenging due in part to the methods of production used in large-scale commercial agriculture, such as the highly mechanised farming systems used by external service providers. The latter often employ skilled workers of their own, such as tractor drivers.

Impacts on land rights and livelihoods of local residents

The study found that the impacts of joint ventures on the livelihoods of community members are both positive and negative in character. Community members in Lambasi see joint ventures as an opportunity to benefit from commercial crop production without having to incur the risks of cropping themselves. On the other hand, findings show that in both Lambasi and Strydkraal, the joint ventures that these communities have entered into have both positive and negative aspects. Many local residents welcome the prospect of additional cash income, but others lament the loss of independent land for their own cropping. The project is being implemented by Nkanyiso Gumede and is led by Ben Cousins.

FUNDER: MILLENNIUM TRUST



Nkanyiso Gumede (left) participating in the YARA Conference
Photo: Institutional Advancement, UWC

Rural Job Creation: Opportunities and Constraints on Rural Employment in South Africa

The objective of this project was to estimate the potential for employment creation in selected agricultural commodities (citrus, deciduous fruit and smallholder fresh produce), as well as in fisheries and forestry. The project also explored the potential impact of rural job creation on broader patterns of poverty and inequality in South Africa.

South Africa's rural economy remains divided and 'dualist' in character, with relatively few large farming, forestry and fishing enterprises and companies, both up- and down-stream of farm production, dominating most sub-sectors. A degree of vertical integration exists in some sub-sectors (e.g. poultry). Exports are important in sub-sectors such as fruit and wine. Processes of concentration have resulted in a minority of farm producers being responsible for the bulk of produce and exports.

However, a large number of small-scale primary producers (farmers, timber growers and fishers) also exist, often producing for their own use or for informal markets. Larger-scale producers and companies are mostly white-owned; smaller-scale are mostly black. Large-scale producers, input suppliers, processors and retailers are investing heavily in new technologies in order to improve labour productivity and remain competitive. The number of workers employed per hectare or other measures is dropping, and the overall trend is to employ smaller numbers of highly skilled and better-paid workers. However, employment of temporary and casual labour remains important for some operations. Smaller-scale enterprises are more labour-intensive in character, albeit with lower returns, and often wages are below statutory minimums.

The size and nature of the informal rural economy is poorly understood, in part because of a dearth of reliable statistics. Case studies (e.g. of small livestock on communal grazing) suggest that it may be much more significant than generally acknowledged. The potential for its expansion, and as a base for further accumulation and growth, is largely unexplored. Expanding the number of producers on smallholder irrigation schemes, who could help supply the growing market for fresh produce, are emphasized in the National Development Plan, but the availability of water for such expansion is unclear.

Government policies tend to be supportive of the large producers and companies that dominate the rural economy, in practice if not in policy documents. They also tend to be biased against small-scale, labour-intensive and black-owned enterprises active in the informal sector, whether this is intended or not.



Photo: Moenieba Isaacs



Photo: Helena Pérez Nino



Photo: Refiloe Joala

Research indicates that there is limited but definite scope for the expansion of certain forms of production, such as citrus and deciduous fruit and smallholder fresh produce, as well as for new forms of processing (e.g. dissolving wood pulp and furniture) and expanded supply to new markets, both international and national (such as informal markets for snoek). Often the support of government is necessary for these potentials to be realized, as in the need to negotiate appropriate trade agreements.

There is limited but real potential to expand the resource base for certain kinds of rural enterprises. This includes 100 000 – 160 000 ha of forestry land in communal areas and elsewhere, new smallholder irrigation schemes (perhaps on 200 000 ha), and the redistribution of under-utilised grazing land on commercial farms to small-scale livestock producers through land reform. Initial estimates of job creation potential from this project: citrus: 24 000 to 58 000 new jobs; smallholder irrigation in the E Cape: 16 000 new jobs; forestry: 43 500 new jobs + some from new industrial products; fisheries: difficult to estimate.

If all of agriculture is considered, including market-oriented smallholders and land reform beneficiaries, as well as related off-farm jobs, the NDP's projection appears to be achievable. Forestry and perhaps fisheries can make modest additional contributions.

This research was led by Ben Cousins. Other researchers involved were Moenieba Isaacs, Michael Aliber of Fort Hare, Amelia Genis (who has a PhD from PLAAS), and Jeanette Clarke.

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Emerging Agro-food Value Chains and the Right to Food in Southern Africa

Case studies in Mozambique and Zambia have revealed that the participation of small-scale commercial farmers in the soybean value chain presents complex outcomes for household food security and people's right to food.

The project, led by Refiloe Joala of PLAAS, explored how emerging value chains of specific food

commodities in Mozambique and Zambia influence local people's food production and access to food. The project investigated the effects of commercial investment in food production, manufacture and retail on small-scale farmers' control over their own production systems and their access to food, and the types of food they are able to access. The latter refers to the availability of adequate and nutritious food and access to opportunities for earning wages in order to procure food.

Findings show that farmers benefit from participating in the expanding soybean value chains through cash income resulting from established markets and competitive prices for soybeans, compared to other crops. "However, higher income levels among small-scale farmers from soybean production do not lead to improved nutrition levels," says Joala.

From a sustainability and food security perspective, farmers' gradual shift to monocropping to consolidate the activities of value chain actors in national and regional animal feed to poultry markets poses a direct threat to food availability and food access. Linked to this, prioritisation of soybean production to other crops among small-scale farmers has led to decreasing crop and food diversity.

The high cost of participation for small-scale farmers

The integration of small-scale farmers on the basis of inputs-induced modes of agriculture intensification, using improved seeds, chemical fertilisers, herbicides and soil inoculants, means that farmers' production costs are relatively high. Similarly, increasing land pressure in Zambia due to land consolidation by emerging farmers and urban elites seeking to expand their pastoral

and agricultural enterprises means that small-scale farmers' access to resources for food crop production are further constrained, which in turn impacts local informal food markets.

Despite the involvement of development NGOs in facilitating farmers' participation in soybean production, farmers are integrated into the soybean value chain on unfavourable terms for the farmer. The research also revealed unequal power relations between farmers and aggregators, and lead firms. Not only do farmers carry the full cost of production, they also shoulder the transport cost of bringing the soybeans to the aggregators. "This means farmers provide both land and cheap labour for soybean production, and carry most of the risk," says Joala.

Gendered intra-household dynamics that shape daily access to food

Findings revealed differences in approaches between men and women when selecting crops to farm as well as their preferences for specific crops over others. In Zambia's Mumbwa district, when selecting which crops to grow,



Photo: Refiloe Joala

men are mostly concerned with the price of inputs, while the selling price of the crop in the market in the previous production cycle is taken into account for determining how many acres of each to grow to maximise income.

For women, crop diversity emerged as a key determining factor. Female farmers indicated that they all participate in soybean and maize production because they depend heavily on these crops for feeding their families and generating household income to pay for school fees. During a focus group discussion in Nangoma, a female farmer revealed that she takes her children's preferences into account when deciding what crops to grow so they are not resistant to helping with farming.

Similarly, the most important factor considered by some female farmers is the time it takes for each crop to mature. This is because early maturing crops like groundnuts and yellow maize are an important source of food security when food reserves start to dwindle.

The specific project deliverables include a manual promoting the Voluntary Guidelines on the Right to Food and the Committee on World

Food Security (CFS) Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems (RAI) is under production. Training will also be provided to strengthen the technical capacity of CSOs and social movements and provide technical and monitoring advice specifically on the Voluntary Guidelines on the Right to Food and the CFS Principles for RAI is scheduled to take place in 2018. In addition, the project will produce policy briefs.

FUNDER: OPEN SOCIETY INITIATIVE FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA (OSISA)

Agri-business in Africa and the Right to Food focusing on Mozambique and Zambia

This project investigated how the corporatisation of natural resources was being pursued in the interests of corporatisation of farming inputs and the processing and retail of food – what was characterised as a transformation of the agro-food system. Rather than a specific focus on 'land grabs', the project built on existing work on 'land grabs' in the region, and instead of a specific focus on land, the project explored how this is linked to changes in food value chains, and the marketisation and corporatisation of agro-food systems as a whole. It was led by Phillan Zamchiya and Refiloe Joala.

FUNDER: OPEN SOCIETY FOUNDATION

Women's Land Rights for Inclusive Development and Growth in Africa

This project aims to hold African governments accountable on the implementation of relevant African Union (AU) women's land rights



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Dr Joan Kagwanja, Chief of staff of the Land Policy Initiative of the African Union, African Development Bank and UN Economic Commission for Africa and Cyriaque Hakizimana, PLAAS, at the YARA Inaugural Conference, Cape Town 2017. Photo: Institutional Advancement, UWC

instruments, other relevant women's land rights policies and laws, by developing scorecards and checklists, undertaking baseline surveys, developing advocacy strategies, and conducting end line studies. This is an eight-country project being implemented in Cameroon, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Togo, and Tunisia. This is a three-year project (2017-2020). The partner institution is Oxfam. The value of the project is 235,000 Euro for the 2017/2018 year. The Principal Investigator is Ruth Hall, who works alongside Emmanuel Sulle on this project.

FUNDER: EUROPEAN UNION (EU)

Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA)

This project is ongoing and aims to develop the competence and capability of the YARA network and transform it into a purposeful, well-focused, transparent and well governed network. Its main objectives are to help define and refine the vision of the YARA network; to develop manageable strategies for implementation; and to help define an appropriate organisational structure for YARA. The Principal Investigator is Cyriaque Hakizimana.

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SOCIAL DIMENSIONS OF FISHERIES AND ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT

Improving Food Security and Reducing Poverty through Intra-regional Fish Trade in sub-Saharan Africa

The University of the Western Cape – through Mafaniso Hara – is one of the African universities collaborating with the World Fish Centre (WFC) on a European Union-funded research programme Improving Food Security and Reducing Poverty through Intra-regional Fish Trade in Sub-Saharan Africa. The project investigates the potential of

Africa's intra-regional fish trade for addressing food and nutrition insecurity and poverty reduction. PLAAS and the Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANA), are responsible for studies in Southern Africa. In 2016, three students were recruited on the programme – Chikondi Manyungwa (PhD), Tawanda Jimu (MPhil) and Emilienne Ewee Ndofor Epo (MPhil). The two Master's students submitted their theses for examination at the end of 2017 while Manyungwa made presentations based on her PhD studies at a number international conferences. PLAAS Working Paper 47 (Hara et al), which is under consideration for publication by the *Food Policy Journal*, is one of the outputs of this project.

FUNDER: THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION
THROUGH THE WORLD FISH CENTRE



Too Big to Ignore: Global Partnership for the Future of Small-Scale Fisheries

This research explores the role of fisheries in food security, nutrition, sustaining livelihoods, poverty alleviation, wealth generation and trade, as well as the impacts and implications of global change processes, such as urbanisation, globalisation, migration, climate change, aquaculture and communication technology on small-scale fisheries. The project, which runs from 2012 to 2018, aims to create an innovative and interactive platform to elevate small-scale fisheries in national and global policy discussions, and build local and global capacity for the future of small-scale fisheries. Moenieba Isaacs is on the project steering committee, is the African regional co-ordinator, and also leads the research cluster on the importance of fish for nutrition.

FUNDER: SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH COUNCIL, CANADA

Fish for Whom? Required Nutrition for the Poor or Luxury Consumption for the Wealthy? Can Small-scale Fisheries Supply to Both Consumers?

The University of the Western Cape and the University of Dar es Salaam in Tanzania entered into a joint partnership under the auspices of the National Research Foundation (NRF), South Africa and the Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH), Tanzania, from 2014 to 2016. This project investigated how poor people's consumption of good-quality nutrition from fish protein is compromised by the high demand for high-quality fish protein from wealthy consumers in the developed world (particularly the United States,

Europe and Japan). A responsive governance system is needed to address the nutritional needs of the poor fishers and meeting the demands of the wealthy. The ongoing study is collecting data in South Africa and Tanzania, and aims: (i) to examine the governance processes of the existing community value chains contributing to food security and livelihoods; (ii) to analyse the various stages in the small-scale fisheries value chain, who the participants in the chains are at various stages, and where their fish go; and (iii) to determine the role of small-scale fisheries in the food security of local communities through assessing their purchasing and consumption practices. The project is led by Professor Moenieba Isaacs (South Africa) and Dr Paul Onyango (Tanzania).

FUNDERS: NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (SA) and COSTECH, TANZANIA

Increasing the Value Chain Benefits of Fisheries through Mobile Technology

In Tanzania, Nile perch, tilapia, and dagaa (small sardine-like fish) have, for a long time provided food, employment and income, to the riparian communities of Lake Victoria. These fisheries activities directly involve over 105 000 fishers and contribute about 1.8% to Tanzania's Gross Domestic Product, creating an elaborate value chain and impacting on local food security. In South Africa small-scale fisheries operate community supply chains and informal markets, which play a significant role in artisanal fishers' livelihoods, food security of poor households, and distribution of small-scale species. Focusing on *Thyrites atun* (snoek) a low-value and important protein for many poor households in South Africa, and *Jasus lalandii* (West Coast rock lobster),

a high-value export species, the study aims to understand who participates in the value chain and who benefits in both countries.

The study also explored the role that mobile technology could play in securing sustainable small-scale fisheries for the poor. A key output from this project was the development of “FishMob” Technology – using basic messages to determine the best price for the fish. All the users need is a basic Nokia mobile phone to receive the messages. The Principal Investigators are Moenieba Isaacs (South Africa) and Paul Onyango (Tanzania).

FUNDERS: NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (SA) and COSTECH, TANZANIA

Review of White Shark Cage Diving and Boat-Based Whale Watching

This project reviewed the performance of the South African Boat-Based Whale Watching (BBWW) and White Shark Cage Shark Diving (WSCD) industries for the permitting period 2003-2016 in terms of growth, sustainability (biological, economic and social), its contribution to both the national and local economies (where operations take place) and transformation of the industry. Whale watching and shark cage diving is a booming industry among holiday makers in coastal cities such as Cape Town. However, there are concerns about the biological sustainability of both practices, especially regarding whales. Some argue that the numbers visiting the South African shores are declining as a result of increased human interaction, while others say that this is not the case. Similarly, existing whale watching and shark cage diving permit holders believe that the market is saturated and that there is not space for increasing the number of licence/permit holders. Their argument is that the current number of licences is sufficient for sustainable levels of participation in the industry. Preliminary findings indicated a serious need to improve transformation within the industry. This can be done through increasing the rates of participation and business ownership among black people and, in particular, among women. Skills transfer and funding are also key for enabling those from marginalised groups to join the industry. The findings from this research will inform the allocation of permits and management decisions for the next five-year permitting period (2017 to 2021). The study was led by Mafaniso Hara, whose student, Jean-Pierre Jacobs, is using the findings of the project for his Master’s degree.

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POVERTY AND SOCIAL POLICY

Policy responses to structural poverty

Poverty and vulnerability are thematic concerns that infuse much research and advocacy at PLAAS. Yet 'Policy Responses to Structural Poverty' constitute a specific research programme within PLAAS, and was an area marked by transition in the period under review. The first quarter of 2017 saw the conclusion of research examining the implications, for poverty, of current rural development policy in South Africa. It was conducted under the aegis of the Programme for Pro-Poor Policy Development (PSPPD) within the Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (DPME). The research and dissemination was funded by the European Union. Thereafter the lead researcher of the study, David Neves, primarily devoted himself to his PhD, on a thematically related set of concerns. The second staffer with an active interest in poverty, Andries du Toit, juggled his role as PLAAS Director, with several outputs on aspects of agro food systems, development research and the political dimensions of policy-making.

Despite somewhat of a hiatus within active PLAAS research projects specifically focused on policy responses to structural poverty, several significant events unfolded on the national stage. A key event was the crisis of South Africa's welfare grant payment system, and the spectre of the state failing to pay out social (welfare) grants to the poor. The crisis garnered widespread concern, international headlines and Constitutional Court litigation. Quite apart from the inaction and

obfuscation on the part of the Minister of Social Development, the episode also catalysed concern over the actions of the private sector service provider tasked with distributing grants (NET1's Cash Paymaster Services) and its role in illegitimate deductions. PLAAS researchers not only wrote about the crisis, they engaged with key civil society role players, including human rights NGO, the Black Sash, a key party in the litigation. The nexus of social grant deductions, indebtedness and the financialisation of the poor, is an enduring area of interest and proposals for future research within PLAAS.

A broad concern with how finance and money come to interface with the lives of the poor also animated a proposed project entitled 'Informal Financial Institutions and Services in the Township Economy', developed in conjunction with the Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation. This suite of research projects will seek to better understand the range of often 'hidden' financial services within impoverished contexts, and the extent to which they serve to ameliorate or exacerbate poverty. It is, like several other proposals, being actively disseminated to potential research project funders. Finally, these efforts are being undertaken at a time of recent flux and change within the ruling party, and the South African state, and the potential promise of an opening of the policy space. After somewhat of an interregnum and period of relative consolidation within PLAAS, the Poverty thematic area is therefore responding with an expansive cycle of new project development.

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Rethinking Rural Development Policy in Post-apartheid South Africa

South Africa's former 'homelands' have long been blighted by structural poverty, underdevelopment and rural poverty. Deprivation in the former 'homelands' remains largely unaltered by post-apartheid rural development policy. Instead, many rural development interventions are characterised by top-down planning, a narrow reliance on (resource intensive and unscalable) local income generation projects and undermined by larger contestations over rural governance.

Focusing on the rural Eastern Cape, PLAAS researcher, David Neves combined policy engagement with detailed field research. Through the research project: 'Ground Truth-ing' Rural Livelihoods: Reformulating Rural Development Paradigms and Policy through Qualitative-Quantitative Integrated Research, Neves examined prevailing rural development policy, and contrasted it with detailed empirical livelihood research, in order to 'ground truth' prevailing rural development knowledge and practice. Findings revealed that most communal area households sustain themselves through diverse combinations of firstly, wage earnings and remittances; secondly, receipt of social (welfare) grants; thirdly, limited agricultural production; and fourthly and finally, various other (often small-scale) informal economic activities. The vulnerability of rural households is shaped by their varying engagement with these four 'sources' of livelihood making. Moreover, it shapes their differential position relative to each other. Patterns of livelihood diversification therefore both reflect and reinforce material differences between households (i.e. rural 'social differentiation').

Findings of this research have implications for rethinking rural development policy. It underscores how external linkages (especially employment) are a major determinant of a rural household's fortunes, it calls into question the default assumption that agriculture ought to drive rural development, the general neglect of linkage to the larger economy (urban employment and markets). Finally, Neves asserts that a livelihoods-orientated approach can contribute to reassessing and rethinking rural development policy. Both the completed and prospective engagements with policy stakeholders continues to focus on the potential points of leverage, to reformulate policy for inclusive (rural) growth. The Principal Investigator for the project was David Neves.

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FOOD SYSTEMS AND LIVELIHOODS

Mapping the South African Agro-Food System: Implications for Food Security and Livelihoods

This project was the first of a three-year programme of Food Systems research within the Centre of Excellence in Food Security (CoE-FS). This project is the key platform for the collaboration of PLAAS with the CoE-FS. The first year of functioning of this programme collected key 'state of the knowledge' reports investigating and tracking the most important dimensions of macro-level change and restructuring in the South African food system, with particular emphasis on those dynamics which influence the ability of the food system to provide poor and vulnerable populations in South Africa with (1) livelihoods and (2) secure access to affordable and nutritious food. The project worked in close collaboration with the Southern African FoodLab (SAFL) at Stellenbosch University, the Hungry Cities Network linked to the African Centre for Cities at the University of Cape Town, and the Law and Development Unit, also at UCT. The Principal Investigator was Andries du Toit.

FUNDER: DST-NRF CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN FOOD SECURITY (CoE-FS)

Understanding the National and Global Food System

This is the second project in the three-year programme on Food System change within the CoE-FS. This project has focused chiefly on building on the research done in Phase 1 and using it as a basis for scholarly exchange and policy

engagement. One theme within this project focuses on the consequences of food system concentration for livelihoods and food security, and resulted in a colloquium on food system concentration in partnership with the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED) at the University of Johannesburg. A second theme focused on building capacity for local food system governance, working with the Western Cape Provincial Government and the City of Johannesburg as case studies. A third theme focused on poverty and vulnerability in the food system. The Principal Investigator is Andries du Toit, who will hand over PI responsibilities to Ruth Hall in the programme's final year (2018).

FUNDER: DST-NRF CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN FOOD SECURITY (COE)

Researching the Obesogenic Food Environment, its Drivers and Potential Policy Levers in South Africa and Ghana

Changing food environments in African settlements linked to transitions in food value chains contribute to the rise of non-communicable diseases. To respond to this issue, policy-makers require accurate information based on innovative research. The International Development Research Centre (IDRC) has awarded a research grant to the School of Public Health at the University of the Western Cape, in partnership with PLAAS and the Kwame Nkrumah University of Technology (Ghana) to conduct research on the obesogenic food environment, its drivers and policy options in South Africa and Ghana. The research consists of three phases which seek to trace the links between (phase 1) dietary patterns, local food environments



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and (phase 2) food system transitions; and ultimately (phase 3) to explore policy opportunities to engage with these systemic drivers. The research is thus fundamentally interdisciplinary and brings together a dynamic team with a broad range of expertise. The research focuses on two research

sites in each of the partner countries, taking account of differing urban and rural settings. David Neves is the PLAAS Researcher working on this project.

FUNDER: INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE (IDRC)

WATER AND RESOURCE RIGHTS

Dealing with Land Tenure and Tenancy Challenges in Water and Sanitation Services Delivery in South Africa: Policy Options and Opportunities

Rapid urbanisation in post-apartheid South Africa has led to mushrooming informal settlements and informal tenancy in low- and middle-income areas. Informal innovative strategies are also emerging, by which water users 'help themselves' to services. Such developments increase stress on existing infrastructural and institutional capacity for effective water and sanitation delivery, which plays out in burgeoning post-1994 violent social protests. Since 2012, water and sanitation delivery issues have arisen, amid a complexity of reasons, with protests strongly linked with land tenure, tenancy and water and sanitation delivery. Key issues revolve around municipal and plot-level governance, tenure and tenancy 'informality' and 'formalisation', capital investment in infrastructure and cost recovery mechanisms. This three-year project, which began in April 2014, characterised the mix of urban and rural land tenure and tenancy arrangements within and outside the ambit of the formal registry system in selected low- and middle-income areas. The study also examined patterns of water and sanitation access, and the relationship between tenure security, tenancy and investment in water and sanitation services in selected rural and urban areas. The project leader and Principal Investigator of this project was Dr Barbara Tapela. Prof Mafaniso Hara took over coordination of the project in 2016 after Dr Tapela became unavailable due to long-term illness. Prof Lisa Thompson, director of

ACCEDE, School of Government, assisted with the compilation of the final Research Report.

FUNDER: WATER RESEARCH COMMISSION (WRC)

Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Gender and Market Value Chains

Traditionally, rural women and men have planted and harvested crops in and around water-linked ecosystems, deriving limited or no market value. They have also harvested natural resources, such as fish, reeds and wild vegetables, without exchanging these in monetised markets. But recently, there have been shifts away from subsistence to commercialised ways of utilising natural resources and producing agro-foods. Small-scale producers are encouraged to participate in 'market value chains' (MVCs) and thereby become integrated into mainstream agro-food systems and other coordinated commodity chains. Conversely, small-scale producers may themselves exert pressure from below to become more actively involved in MVCs to overcome poverty challenges, unemployment and inequality. There are policy concerns about the possible negative effects of value chain penetration on gendered livelihoods, indigenous knowledge, and ecological integrity in affected traditional rural communities. This three-year study, which began in April 2014, addressed concerns about the resilience of vulnerable water-linked ecosystems, as well as the need for policy interventions to ensure that value chains are pro-poor, gender-sensitive and cognisant of indigenous knowledge systems. The project leader and Principal Investigator of this project was Dr Barbara Tapela. Prof Edwin Muchapondwa (UCT) took over as PI of the project following Dr Tapela's long-term illness, while Prof Mafaniso Hara became PLAAS coordinator for the project.

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18. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Building trust between the knowledge community and the state', Panel on university partnerships: tackling poverty and inequality, Going Global conference, Cape Town, 5 May 2016.
19. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Land reform and tribalism'. Presentation to the Northern Suburbs Cultural Society, 5 May 2016.
20. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Formalisation of social tenures: difficulties and challenges' presentation to workshop on 'Contested Histories', Land and Accountability Research Centre, University of Cape Town, 17 and 18 May 2016.
21. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Social reproduction vs capital accumulation amongst smallholder farmers in Msinga'. Presentation to annual conference of the Sociological Association of South Africa, Rhodes University, Grahamstown, 27 June 2016.
22. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Employment in informal-sector agriculture', presentation to author's workshop for the REDI 3 x3/ISEP project, University of Cape Town, 21 July 2016.
23. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Cheap and nasty': the contradictions of capitalist food systems', Keynote address, World Nutrition Congress, University of the Western Cape, 31 August 2016.
24. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Comparing the dynamics of agrarian change in South Africa and India', presentation to a panel on 'Promises and pitfalls of Agrarian Political Economy: a dialogue of researchers working in South Asia and Southern Africa', at the IIPPE 7th International Conference in Political Economy: 'Political Economy: International Trends and National Differences', School of Economics & Management, University of Lisbon, Portugal, 7-9 September 2016.
25. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Agrarian reform: failed policies and the need for new thinking'. Invited plenary address, 4th Annual Spring Law Conference on 'Land, law and economic transformation in South Africa', College of Law, University of South Africa, Pretoria, 28 September 2016.

26. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'Agrarian change in the BRICS countries – frameworks for comparative analysis'. Opening plenary panel, international conference on 'Agro-extractivism inside and outside of BRICS: agrarian change and development trajectories', College of Humanities and Development Studies, China Agricultural University, on behalf of BICAS, Beijing, 28-30 November 2016.
27. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'The edifice of private property and its discontents', presentation to the 'Law and Society in Africa' conference, University of Cape Town, Cape Town, 9-11 December 2016.
28. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. Rethinking Agriculture in South Africa: Constraints and Opportunities. Conference, Belmont Square Conference Centre, Rondebosch, Cape Town, 11-13 October 2016.
29. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. Debating the land question in South Africa. Public debate between Prof Benjamin Cousins (PLAAS) and Mr Lubabalo Ntsholo (Researcher: EFF Parliamentary Caucus), School of Public Health, UWC, 18 August 2016.
30. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. "Employment prospects in commercial and smallholder agriculture", presented at PLAAS/CoE-FS/CCRED Research workshop on Competition, Concentration and Employment in the Food Sector, Johannesburg 23-24 August 2017.
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32. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. "'Commercialising from below": Smallholder farmers and land reform in South Africa'. Keynote address, 2nd Ukulinga Howard Davis Memorial Symposium, 'Food Security: Where to from Here?', University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, 24th May 2017.
33. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Findings of rural job creation project', 'Community of Practice' workshop, Mandela Initiative and National Research Foundation, Cape Town, 8-9th May 2017.
34. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Title deeds as an act of empowerment – a different perspective', presentation to a workshop on Title Deeds and Empowerment, the Restitution Foundation, Cape Town, 3rd March 2017
35. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'The systemic roots of inequality and poverty: four competing paradigms', panel discussion on *Sustainable Development in Africa*, Southern African Systems Analysis Centre (SASAC) doctoral cohort workshop, Stellenbosch. 2nd February 2017.
36. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. Panel discussion, book launch of *'Hanging on a Wire'*, (photographs by Sofia Klaase and essays, edited by Rick Rohde and Siona O'Connell, Fourthwall Books 2016), Cape Town. 1st February, 2017.
37. Dlamini, Mazwi, 2017. 'Factors influencing the adoption and non-adoption of Conservation Agriculture technologies and its implications to livelihoods and food security adaptation in Bergville, Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa', presentation to a post-graduate mini-conference on Land

- and Environment, co-hosted by two SARCHI Chairs (Professors Cousins and Walker), Stellenbosch, 22-23 November 2017.
38. Dubb, A. 2016. 'Patterns of accumulation in South Africa's grain-livestock complex: raising questions of agrarian structure', presented at the International Initiative for the Promotion of Political Economy Seventh Annual Conference in Political Economy, 7-9 September, Instituto Superior de Economia e Gestão (ISEG) (School of Economics & Management). University of Lisbon.
 39. Dubb, A. 2016. 'Sugar in Southern Africa: emerging tensions after a decade of expansion', presented at World Nutrition 2016 Conference, 20 August-2 September, University of the Western Cape.
 40. Dubb, Alex, 2016. 'Patterns of accumulation in South Africa's grain-livestock complex: raising questions of agrarian structure', presented at the South African Sociological Association Congress, 26-29 June, Rhodes University.
 41. Dubb, Alex, 2017. 'South Africa's grain-livestock complex: accumulation and the food system', presentation to a panel on 'Agrarian Questions in South Africa and India: commonalities and contrasts' at the 8th Annual Conference in Political Economy 'The Political Economy of Inequalities and Instabilities in the 21st Century'. International Initiative for Promoting Political Economy (IIPPE), Berlin School of Economics and Law, September 13-15, 2017.
 42. Dubb, Alex, 2017. 'The grain-livestock complex in South Africa', presentation in a panel on 'The Agrarian Question of Labour in China, South Africa and India', at conference on 'New Extractivism, Peasantries and Social Dynamics: Critical Perspectives and Debates', Fifth BICAS Conference, Moscow, 13-16 October 2017.
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 44. **Du Toit, A.**, 2016. The Food System we Need: Presentation at the World Nutrition Cape Town 2016 Conference; University of the Western Cape, 1 September 2016.
 45. **Du Toit, A.**, 2017. The Politics of Poverty and Inequality in SA. Lecture, Centre for Unity & Diversity, Cape Town, 16 November 2017.
 46. **Du Toit, A.**, 2017. 'Beyond Fact-checking: the role of the media in protecting democracy in a post truth age', Rapporteur's Comments at final session of World Forum for Democracy, Palais de L'Europe, Strasbourg, 10 November 2017.
 47. **Du Toit, A.**, 2017. Space, Markets and Employment in Agricultural Development: Agro-food system development and the non-farm rural economy in Malawi, Zimbabwe and South Africa. Paper presented to the conference on *Value Chains in the Global South: Challenges of the Integration in the Global Economy*, Stellenbosch 31 October 2017
 48. **Du Toit, A.**, 2017. "Space, Markets and Employment in Agricultural Development -

- evidence from Malawi, Zimbabwe and South Africa” PLAAS/CoE-FS/CCRED Research workshop on Competition, Concentration and Employment in the Food Sector, Johannesburg 23-24 August 2017.
49. **Du Toit, A.**, 2017. “Development Research in a Post-Truth Age”. Presentation at conference on Producing Evidence for Development in Brexit Britain’ March 27th- 28th 2017: UCL-Institute of Education, London
 50. Genis, Amelia, 2016. ‘How do family relationships, co-operation and access to credit affect the prospects for accumulation in South African farming?’, presentation to the 7th Annual Conference in Political Economy, School of Economics & Management, University of Lisbon, PORTUGAL, 7th - 9th September 2016.
 51. Genis, Amelia, 2016. ‘Explaining concentration: Reproduction, accumulation and the differentiation of large-scale commercial farmers in South Africa’, presentation to conference-dialogue on ‘Rethinking Agriculture in South Africa: current realities and dynamics of change’, Rondebosch, South Africa, 11th - 13th October.
 52. Genis, Amelia, 2016. ‘Job creation in the citrus sub-sector of South Africa’, presentation to conference-dialogue on ‘Rethinking Agriculture in South Africa: current realities and dynamics of change’, Rondebosch, South Africa, 11-13 October.
 53. Greenberg, S., 2016. Presentation on trans-national corporations in the agro-food system at World Public Health Nutrition Association (WPHNA) conference in Cape Town, 29 Aug-2 Sept 2016.
 54. Greenberg, S., 2016. Workshop on trade and investment policy and nutrition policy making, World Public Health Nutrition Association (WPHNA) conference, Cape Town, 1 Sept 2016.
 55. Greenberg, S., 2016. Presentation on corporate power in the agro-food system and the consumer food environment in South Africa, at launch event in partnership with PLAAS, CoE, African Centre for Cities (ACC) and Labour and Enterprise Policy Research Group (LEP) held in Cape Town, 17 October 2016.
 56. Greenberg, S., 2016. Small table discussion on corporate power and implications for the food system hosted at Southern African Food Lab High-level workshop on shifting the food system, Johannesburg, 15 November 2016.
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 58. **Gumede, N. B.**, 2017. The impact of large-scale agricultural investments on the land rights and livelihoods of the smallholder farmers in the communal areas in South Africa. Presentation at the post-graduate mini-conference. Held from 22 – 23 November 2017. University of Stellenbosch, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
 59. **Gumede, N. B.**, 2017. The impact of large-scale agricultural investments on the land rights and livelihoods of the smallholder

- farmers in the communal areas in South Africa. Presentation at the Colloquium on “Land Ownership & Governance in Sustainable Transformation”. Held from 25 – 27 October 2017. University of Fort Hare, Hunterstoun Centre, Hogsback, South Africa.
60. **Gumede, N. B.**, 2017. *Amadiba community fieldwork findings presentation*. A Regional Research Sharing and Training Workshop. Land and Water Rights in Southern Africa: Entrenching Global and Regional Policy Frameworks. 4 -5 October 2017, Protea Hotel, Tygervalley, Cape Town, South Africa.
 61. **Gumede, N. B.**, 2017. The impact of large-scale agricultural investments on the land rights and livelihoods of the smallholder farmers in the communal areas in South Africa. Presentation at Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) Network Inaugural Conference: Cape Town, South Africa.
 62. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Land and agricultural commercialisation in Meru County, Kenya: evidence from three models. Presented at the “Agro-extractivism inside and outside BRICS: Agrarian Change and Development Trajectories” conference. Beijing, November 28-30, 2016.
 63. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Land and agricultural commercialisation in Meru County, Kenya: evidence from three models. Presented at the “Rethinking Agriculture in South Africa: Constraints and Opportunities” conference. Cape Town, October 11-13, 2016.
 64. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. The 17th Annual World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty: Scaling up Responsible Land Governance. Washington, March 14-18, 2016.
 65. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Land, Water and Agribusiness in Africa: A research planning workshop. Cape Town, April 6-8, 2016.
 66. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. The Fourth High Level Forum on United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management: Good Land Governance for the 2030 Agenda. Addis Ababa, April 20-22, 2016.
 67. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Agricultural Policy Research in Africa Research Consortium (APRA): Programme Inception Meeting. Brighton, June 6 – 9, 2016.
 68. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. FAO Southern Africa workshop on the CFS Principles on Responsible Agricultural Investment (CFS-RAI). Johannesburg, June 22-24, 2016.
 69. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. DFID-ESRC Growth Research Programme (DEGRP) Meeting. London, July 13-14, 2016.
 70. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Policy Dialogue on Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Kenya: Implications of Research Findings. Meru and Nairobi, July 25 – 28, 2016.
 71. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Zero hunger in Africa by 2025: Conditions for success. Pretoria, September 13, 2016.
 72. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Rethinking Agriculture in South Africa: Constraints and Opportunities. Cape Town, October 11-13, 2016.
 73. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Economic opportunities for a better future: Leveraging agriculture, innovation and financial inclusion. Nairobi, October 28 - 29, 2016.

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76. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2017. Presentation of PLAAS's Work and its Anticipated Role in the Project. Women's Land Rights for Inclusive Development and Growth in Africa Programme: Inception Workshop. Addis Ababa. 15-16 May 2017.
77. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2017 Agricultural Policy Research in Africa (APRA) Project. Presented at the "Participatory Impact Pathways Analysis and Launch of the Agricultural Policy Research in Africa (APRA) Project activities in Malawi Workshop". Lilongwe. 22 - 23 May 2017.
78. **Hall, Ruth**. 2016. 'Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Africa: What difference does the model make?' Presentation to the World Bank Land and Poverty Conference, World Bank, Washington DC, 14-18 March 2016.
79. **Hall, Ruth**. 2016. 'Strengthening Land Governance: Progress with and lessons from the implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines on Responsible Governance of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security.' Presentation to the FAO Workshop and Capacity Assessment Workshop, Lagoon Beach Hotel, Cape Town, 4-6 May 2016.
80. **Hall, Ruth**. 2016. 'Land Reform and the 'Land Question' in South Africa.' Presentation to the Land Reform Seminar, hosted by the Students for Law and Social Justice. University of the Western Cape, Cape Town, 4 May 2016.
81. **Hall, Ruth, Cyriaque Hakizimana** and Ian Scoones. 2016. Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Africa: Reflections and Lessons from a multi-country research project. Presentation at inception workshop, Agricultural Policy Research in Africa, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, Brighton, UK, 7-8 Jun 2016.
82. **Hakizimana, Cyriaque** and **Ruth Hall**, 2016. Tenure and Responsible Investment: Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Africa. Presentation to the FAO Southern Africa workshop on the Committee on World Food Security Principles on Responsible Agricultural Investment (CFS-RAI), Centurion, 22-24 June 2016.
83. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Unresolved land reform: Power analysis and upcoming developments. Common Ground for Food Sovereignty Workshop, Rosa Luxemburg, Cape Town. 24 April 2017.
84. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. The Role of the Tenure Guidelines in Bottom-up Accountability Strategies: What have we learnt? Presentation to the meeting of representatives of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), Abuja. Nigeria, 15 February 2017.
85. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Final plenary synthesis presentation. Young African Researchers

- in Agriculture (YARA) network conference, The Strand. Cape Town. 8 February 2017.
86. Manyungwa-Pasani, C. L., **M. Hara** and S. K. Chimatiro, 2016. An investigation of women participation in fish value chains and value chain governance in Malawi: A case of Msaka on Lake Malawi and Kachulu on Lake Chilwa. Presented at the IIFET 18th Biennial Conference 2016, Aberdeen, Scotland.
 87. **Hara, M.**, E. E. Ndofor Epo, T. Jimu., C. L. Manyungwa-Pasani, S. K. Chimatiro, 2016. Fish Trade in the Southern Africa Corridor: A preliminary scan. IIFET 18th Biennial Conference 2016, Aberdeen, Scotland.
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 89. **Hara, Mafaniso**, 2017. Framework for Fish Trade Policy Harmonization and Coherence in Southern Africa. Presented at the Think Tank Meeting on Intra-Regional Fish Trade in Africa, held in Abuja, Nigeria. 2nd – 4th August 2017.
 90. **Hara, Mafaniso**, 2017. Southern Africa National and Regional Fish Trade Policies - A Review. Presented at the Think Tank Meeting on Intra-Regional Fish Trade in Africa, held in Abuja, Nigeria. 2nd – 4th August 2017.
 91. **Hara, Mafaniso**, E. Kaunda, A. Huagane and S. Chimatiro, 2017. Value chains of fish products in the Southern Africa corridor: implications for intra-regional trade in fish and fish products. Presented at the Think Tank Meeting on Intra-Regional Fish Trade in Africa, held in Abuja, Nigeria. 2nd – 4th August 2017.
 92. **Hara, Mafaniso**, Steven Greenberg, Anne-Marie Thow, Sloans Chimatiro and **Andries du Toit**, 2017. South Africa-SADC Formal-Informal Fish Trade, Investment and Market Dynamics: Implications for Food and Nutrition Security. Presented at the Africa Great Lakes Conference, Entebbe, Uganda. 2- 5 May 2017.
 93. **Hara, M.**, Gugu Njokweni, and Belemane Semoli, 2017. Community opportunities in aquaculture: Possibilities and Challenges. Presented at the World Aquaculture Conference held in Cape Town. 27 to 30 June 2017.
 94. Manyungwa-Pasani, C. L. **Mafaniso Hara** and Sloans K. Chimatiro, 2017. An analysis of social relations outcomes on women participating in small-scale fish value chains on Lakes Malawi and Chilwa. Presented at the Africa Great Lakes Conference, Entebbe, Uganda: from 2- 5 May 2017.
 95. Ndofor Epo, E. E. **Mafaniso Hara** and Sloans Chimatiro, 2017. Trade of fish imported from Sub-Saharan Africa in the Cape Town Central Business District. Presented at the Africa Great Lakes Conference, Entebbe, Uganda: from 2- 5 May 2017.
 96. Njaya, Friday, Steve Donda & **Mafaniso Hara**, 2017. Climate Change Resilience in The Fishing Communities Along Lake Malawi. Presented at the Africa Great Lakes Conference, Entebbe, Uganda: from 2- 5 May 2017.
 97. Olaf LF Weyl, Steve Donda, **Mafaniso Hara**, Friday Njaya and Denis Tweddle, 2017. Fish and fisheries in the Lake Malawi: An assessment of four decades of management interventions. Presented at the Africa Great Lakes Conference, Entebbe, Uganda: from 2- 5 May 2017.

98. Hornby, Donna, 2017. 'Land reform politics in South Africa and the crisis of social reproduction', presentation in a panel on 'The Agrarian Question of Labour in China, South Africa and India', at conference on 'New Extractivism, Peasantries and Social Dynamics: Critical Perspectives and Debates', Fifth BICAS Conference, Moscow, 13-16 October 2017.
99. Hornby, D. 2017. Farm Dwellers in South Africa: Treadmills of survival, with few prospects of a better life. BICAS Conference held from 14-16 October, 2017. Moscow.
100. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Climate Change in Small-Scale Fisheries: Vulnerability, Adaptive Capacity and Responses. Bangkok, 2016.
101. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Community Engagement and Research in South Africa. Vancouver: Too Big to Ignore, Ocean Canada, 2016.
102. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Divergence or Convergence in Applied Research on Small-Scale Fisheries: A Transdisciplinary Discussion. In Intersections Vancouver. Vancouver: Society for Applied Anthropology, 2016.
103. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Fish as Food. Webinar presented at the Too Big to Ignore: The importance of fish as food, June 1, 2016.
104. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Too Big to Ignore (TBTI) Research network and knowledge mobilization partnership to Implementation of the Small-scale Fisheries Guidelines. Presented at the Regional Consultation Workshop Implementing the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Alleviation in the Southern Africa and Indian Ocean Region Mauritius, 12-15 December 2016.
105. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. "Troubled Waters – Jobs, Rights and Dwindling Stocks!" Presentation at the Rethinking Agriculture in South Africa Conference-Dialogue, Cape Town, South Africa, October 11, 2016.
106. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. "The Humble Sardine: Fish as Food or Fodder." Presented at the Small-Scale Fisheries in Asia Pacific Region and Beyond. Kanchanaburi Province, Thailand, August 6, 2016. Bangkok, 2016.
107. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Preliminary findings of the CSM Report on the use and application of the VGGT in Land, Fisheries and Forestry. La Via Campesina, Rome, Italy, July 9, 2016.
108. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. PLAAS perspectives on curricula development processes. Presented at the Land Policy Initiative on African Union's Validation Workshop on Assessment Report Needs and Gaps of Curricula on Land Governance and Institutions of Higher Learning for NELGA, Addis Ababa, July 27, 2016.
109. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Proposal for Training Programme for Land Professionals. Presented at the Land Policy Initiative (LPI) African Union's Validation Workshop on Assessment Report Needs and Gaps of Curricula on Land Governance and Institutions of Higher Learning for NELGA, Addis Ababa, July 28, 2016.
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111. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Small-scale fisheries and abalone – a case study of the women of Buffelsjagsbaai. Nelson Mandela University’s Centre for Law in Action (CLA) and FishFORCE Academy presents: Protecting Marine Resources: A Tangled Net Port Elizabeth – South Africa, 8 & 9 November 2017.
112. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Keynote Presentation - Transdisciplinary through co-designing research with Small- scale fishers: Lessons learnt from global experiences Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association Scientific Symposium 30th October – 4th November 2017 Julius Nyerere International Convention Centre (JNICC) Dar es Salaam, Tanzania 30 October – 4 November 2017.
113. Ginindza, J. and **Isaacs, M.** 2017. The role of small-scale fishing and aquaculture on food and nutrition security at Doringbaai. Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association Scientific Symposium, 30th October – 4th November 2017, Julius Nyerere International Convention Centre (JNICC), Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, 30 October – 4 November 2017.
114. Sallema, Mtui R. and **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Understanding types, nature and interactions for existing investments in Marine Park: Insights from in and around Mnazi Bay Ruvuma Estuary Marine Park (MBREMP), Tanzania. Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association Scientific Symposium, 30th October – 4th November 2017, Julius Nyerere International Convention Centre (JNICC), Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, 30 October – 4 November 2017.
115. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Perlemoen “Abalone” and Small-scale Fisheries in South Africa – the case of Buffelsjagsbaai. 3rd International Fisheries Crime Symposium FishCRIME 2017, 25-26 September 2017, Vienna & first PescaDOLUS Fisheries Crime Workshop, 27 September 2017, Vienna.
116. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Fish as Food. TBTI Day as part of the MARE ‘People and the Sea IX’ Conference 5-7 July, 2017 Amsterdam, The Netherlands, University of Amsterdam.
117. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Discussant at the Expert Group Meeting to validate the study on Land, Ethnicity and Conflict in Africa, from 13-14 June 2017. United Nations Conference Centre, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
118. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. “Concentration and employment dynamics in the fishing industry” presented at PLAAS/CoE-FS/CCRED Research workshop on Competition, Concentration and Employment in the Food Sector, Johannesburg 23-24 August 2017.
119. **Joala R.**, 2016. ‘Changing agro-food systems and the role of agribusiness in Southern Africa’. Rethinking agriculture in South Africa: Constraints and opportunities, 11-13 October 2016, Cape Town.

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123. **Joala, Refiloe**, 2016. 'Agribusiness in Africa and the right to food', Land, Water and Agribusiness in Africa: A PLAAS regional research planning Workshop, 6-8 April 2016, University of the Western Cape, South Africa.
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125. **Joala, R.**, 2017. "The soya boom and agro-food systems change in rural Mozambique," YARA Inaugural Conference, 7 February 2017, Cape Town, South Africa.
126. **Joala, R.**, 2017. Land deals and agro-food restructuring in Zambia and Mozambique. Presented at PLAAS/CoE-FS/CCRED Research workshop on Competition, Concentration and Employment in the Food Sector, Johannesburg 23-24 August 2017.
127. **Joala, R.**, 2017. "Agro-food system change in Mumbwa district Zambia: Implications for small-scale farmer's food security and food rights," Conference on Land Policy in Africa (CLPA-2017), 14-17 November 2017, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
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129. **Neves, D.**, 2016. In the shadow of the agro-food system: Food security and livelihoods within small towns in South Africa. Presentation at the World Nutrition 2016 Conference. 2 September 2016. Cape Town.
130. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Livelihoods and social differentiation in 'post-agrarian' South Africa. International Initiative for Promoting Political Economy Conference. 8 September 2016. Lisbon.
131. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Using livelihoods research to understand rural development in the Eastern Cape. Presentation to Eastern Cape Economic Development Cluster Committee. Eastern Cape Office of the Premier, 6 April. Bisho.

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133. **Neves, D.**, 2016. The pragmatics and politics of social protection: Lessons from South Africa. Presentation to South Africa social protection study tour for Government of Nigeria officials University of the Western Cape / Economic Policy Research Institute / UNICEF, 2 June. Cape Town.
134. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Generating inclusive rural economic growth. Presentation at Operation Phakisa: Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development workshop. Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries / Department of Rural Development and Land Reform. 27 September. Boksburg.
135. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Emergent findings: Ground-truthing rural development policy in the Eastern Cape. Presentation to Eastern Cape Economic Development Cluster Committee. Eastern Cape Office of the Premier, 2 November. Bisho.
136. Ngubane, Mngqobi, 2016. Investigating socio-spatial trajectories of class formation: accumulation from below and above on 'New Qwaqwa Farms' from the mid-1980s to 2016', Rural Sociology Working Group, 2016 SASA Congress Rhodes University, Grahamstown, 26th – 29th June 2016.
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138. Ngubane, Mngqobi, 2017. 'The 'Agrarian Question of Labour' and land reform in South Africa: farm work on redistributed land in the eastern Free State', presentation in a panel on 'The Agrarian Question of Labour in China, South Africa and India', at conference on 'New Extractivism, Peasantries and Social Dynamics: Critical Perspectives and Debates', Fifth BICAS Conference, Moscow, 13-16 October 2017.
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141. Pérez Niño, Helena, 2016. 'The tobacco boom in Southern Africa: foundations and implications for farmers'. 4th International Conference of BICAS 'Agro-extractivism inside and outside BRICS: Agrarian change and development trajectories'. Beijing, Nov 28th -30th 2016.
142. Pérez Niño, Helena, 2016. 'Class, gender and generation in agricultural production in Mozambique'. Seminar given at the department of sociology. North-western Agricultural and Forestry University. Yangling, China, 23rd October 2016.
143. Pérez Niño, Helena, 2016. 'Farming households and labour relations in global commodity chains: The case of contract farming in Mozambique'. Conference: 'Rethinking Agriculture: current realities and dynamics of change'. Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, and the Centre for Excellence on Food Security, University of the Western Cape, Cape Town, 11th – 13th October 2016.
144. Pérez Niño, Helena, 2016. 'Class formation across borders: migrant workers in international borderlands.' IIPPE 6th Annual Conference in Political Economy, Instituto Superior de Economia e Gestão, ISEG, Lisbon, Portugal, 7th – 9th September 2016.
145. Pérez Niño, Helena, 2016. 'Farming households and labour relations in global commodity chains: The case of contract farming in Mozambique.' 4th ASAI Conference on 'Ebullient Africa: Conflict, Modernity, Religion'. Department of Political and Social Sciences- University of Catania, 22nd - 24th September 2016.
146. Pérez Niño, Helena, 2016. 'Class formation across borders, the experience of Mozambican migrant workers in Southern African borderlands.' South African Sociology Association conference: Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa, 27th - 30th January 2016. (Rural Sociology, Panel Convener).
147. Pérez Niño, Helena, 2016. 'Capitalist penetration in a colonial frontier: The case of the Angónia Plateau in central Mozambique'. Conference on 'Old and New Worlds: The Global Challenges of Rural History'. SEHA-ISCTE Lisbon, 27-30 January 2016.
148. **Sulle, E.**, 2016. the Third "Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security" co-organized by the South African Department of Land Reform Rural Development and United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, 4-6 May 2016 Hotel Lagoon Beach, Cape Town South Africa.
149. **Sulle, E.**, 2016: Natural resource turn: Context, form and consequences for Tanzania, presented at the analysis of Political Economy for the Hierarchies of Rights: Land and investments in Africa, co-organized by the Eduardo Mondlane University and Roskilde University, Maputo, Mozambique, 24-28 January, 2016.
150. **Sulle, E.**, 2016: The impacts of agricultural commercialisations on smallholders farmers presented at the National Engagement Strategy Workshop co-hosted by MVIWATA

and International Land Coalition, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, 8-9 March 2016.

151. **Sulle, E.**, 2017. “The politics of SAGCOT: Implications for small-scale producers and pathways for rural livelihoods”, presentation at the Conference on Land Policy in Africa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: 14 -17 November 2017.
152. **Sulle, E.**, 2017. “The politics of SAGCOT: Implications for small-scale producers and pathways for rural livelihoods”, presentation at IESE International Conference, 19 September, 2017.
153. **Sulle, E.**, 2017. ‘The Politics of Inclusive Business Models: The case of sugarcane Production in Tanzania’, presentation at the Land Investments Dialogue organised by Care International – Tanzania, HakiArdhi and Mwiwata, 14-17 March 2017.
154. **Sulle, E.**, 2017. “Inclusive business model? Examining investor-outgrowers relation in Tanzania”, presentation at the Young African Researchers in Agriculture Network, 6 – 8 February 2017.
155. Ponte, S., C. Noe, O. Kweka, B. Mshale, **E. Sulle**, D. Brockington, E. Kalumanga, R. A. Minja, A. Budeanu, A. Mwamfupe, L. F. Henriksen, M. F. Olwig, P. Silvano, F. Namkesa, R. John, R. Katikiro and M. B. Mabele. 2017. New Partnerships for Sustainability (NEPSUS): Concepts, research design and methodologies. NEPSUS Working Paper 2017/1. Copenhagen: Copenhagen Business School.

Seminars and other Presentations

1. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘Land reform gone wrong: can it be fixed?’ Seminar presentation to Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, University of Stellenbosch, 11th August 2016.
2. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘Through a glass darkly’: towards agrarian reform’. Presentation to research group of the SARChI Chair in the Sociology of Land, Environment and Sustainable Development, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, University of Stellenbosch, 11th August 2016.
3. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘How I will use land reform scenarios in my work’, talk at the launch of the ‘Land Reform Futures’ document, Vumelana Advisory Fund, Wanderers Club, 15 March 2016.
4. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘Mining wars: the role of land tenure and traditional leadership’, Catholic Parliamentary Liaison Office, Cape Town, 8 June 2016.



Dr Barbara Tapela engaging with stakeholders and partners in the water sector, 2016
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5. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. 'From land to agrarian reform in South Africa' Pubic debate with Lubabalo Ntsholo of the EFF, Alternative Information for Development Centre, Cape Town, 25 August 2016.
6. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'The (urban) land question'. Presentation to the African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town, 21st November, 2017.
7. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Pro-poor economic development and redistribution in South Africa: is socialism the solution?', presentation at Special Seminar on 'Pro-poor economic development and redistribution', PLAAS, 30th October 2017.
8. **Cousins, Ben**, Rosalie Kingwill and Donna Hornby, 2017. 'Are title deeds the solution to insecure land tenure?' HSRC seminar, Cape Town, Durban and Pretoria, 15th August 2017.
9. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Accumulation vs social reproduction: capitalist contradictions amongst smallholder farming in South Africa', PLAAS seminar, 8th August 2017.
10. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Land and property rights', presentation to breakfast seminar on 'Land and property rights in South Africa'. Centre for Constitutional Rights and Institute for Race Relations. Johannesburg, 6th July 2017.
11. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'The contradictions of capitalist food regimes', presentation to a HSRC seminar on 'The futures of food', Cape Town, Pretoria and Durban, 5th July 2017.
12. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'When is it titling (and when is it not" appropriate?'. Presentation to a roundtable on spatial inequality, High Level Panel of Parliament, Cape Town, 29th June 2017.
13. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. Panel discussion on 'Debates on securing land tenure in urban and rural South Africa'. Book launch of 'Untitled. Securing land tenure in urban and rural South Africa'. Book Lounge, Cape Town, 28th June 2017.
14. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Land reform in South Africa: a stalling programme', presentation to visiting students from San Matteo College, USA, Cape Town, 19th June 2017.
15. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Land reform and the law in South Africa', presentation to post-graduate law students from the University of Missouri, Cape Town, 19th June 2017.
16. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Land reform in South Africa: a stalling programme', presentation to visiting students from George Mason University, USA, Cape Town, 29th May 2017.
17. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Land reform debates in South Africa', seminar presentation, Department of Politics, University of Johannesburg, 10th May 2017.
18. **Du Toit, A.**, 2017. "Post-Truth Politics and Unsustainability" – presentation to DST/NRF SASAC Capacity Development Programme, Stellenbosch, 12 July 2017.
19. **Gumede, N.B.**, 2017. The impact of large-scale agricultural investments on the land rights and livelihoods of the smallholder farmers in the communal areas in South Africa. Seminar presentation: PLAAS Cape Town, South Africa. 14 March, 2017.
20. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. The role of a new generation of African academics: A Pan-Africanist perspective. 2016 Africa Day, University of the Western Cape, May 25.
21. **Hall, Ruth** and **Cyriaque Hakizimana**, 2016. Land and agricultural Commercialization

- in Kenya: Evidence from three farming models. March 01, 2016.
22. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. How could land reform change the Philippi Horticultural Area? Presentation to the Food and Farming Campaign, Philippi Horticultural Area. 4 December 2017.
 23. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Land Reform in South Africa: Past, Present and Alternatives for the Future. Presentation to the Tshintsha Amakhaya Political Education School, !Khwa Ttu Lodge, West Coast, 28 November 2017.
 24. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Action Research Methodologies. Presentation to the PhD workshop, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, 3 October 2017.
 25. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. What have we learnt about using the VGGT? Presentation to the Multistakeholder Platform for South Africa, hosted by the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations. Tsogo Southern Sun Hotel, OR Tambo Airport, 28 September 2017.
 26. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. The Contrast between Ideals and Practice in Land Reform. University of the Third Age. Somerset West, 22 September 2017.
 27. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. The potential of land reform in the Philippi Horticultural Area. Philippi Horticultural Area Food and Farming Campaign AGM. 16 September 2017.
 28. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. 'Land expropriation with or without compensation'. Facilitator. Open Book Festival. Fugard Theatre. 07 September 2017.
 29. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. 'Restitution: Reloaded or exploded?' Facilitator. Open Book Festival. Fugard Theatre. 07 September 2017.
 30. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Land Politics and Social Movements in Africa. Informal seminar with PhD students in the ISS think tank session, International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands, 8 June 2017.
 31. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. The Reinvention of Land Reform in South Africa: State, Markets and Citizens. Seminar at the International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands, 8 June 2017.
 32. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. The Reinvention of Land Reform in South Africa: State, Markets and Citizens. Agrarian Change Seminar, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, 17 May 2017.
 33. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. The Reinvention of Land Reform in South Africa: State, Markets and Citizens. IDS seminar, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, 10 May 2017
 34. **Hall, Ruth** and **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Key findings from reports to the High Level Panel of Parliament'. Presentation to a group of researchers, University of Cape Town, 2nd February, 2017.
 35. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Gave a speech at the "Emancipatory Rural Politics Initiative (ERPI)". International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands, 8 June 2017.
 36. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Transformations to Sustainability. Panelist at STEPS Summer School, Institute of Development Studies. 24 May 2017.
 37. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Land reform in South Africa: What has happened and where are we now? Presentation to the Tshintsha Amakhaya strategic planning workshop, Durban, 10 July 2017.

38. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Foreign Direct Investment, Land Tenure and Land Grabbing. Food Systems in Transition Summer School. ETH Zurich World Food System Center. Sustainability Institute, Stellenbosch. 3 July 2017.
39. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Land and Agricultural Commercialisation in Africa: What difference does the model make? Food Systems in Transition Summer School. ETH Zurich World Food System Center. Sustainability Institute, Stellenbosch. 3 July 2017.
40. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Fort Hare: Land Colloquium Planning Meeting, Hunterstoun Centre, Hogsback, 21 June 2017.
41. Kepe, Thembela and **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Land redistribution: Findings and recommendations of the Parliamentary High-Level Panel. Presentation to the Alliance for Rural Democracy and Tshintsha Amakhaya workshop, Tshisimani College for Activist Education, Mowbray. 12 December 2017.
42. Scoones, Ian and **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Launch of the Emancipatory Rural Politics Initiative. Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, 24 May 2017.
43. Hornby, Donna, 2017. Land: Between citizenship and agrarian dynamics. 20 May 2017: Presentation to KwaZulu-Natal Christian Council of Churches Land Symposium, Durban.
44. Hornby, Donna, 2017. "Women work the land but don't own it. Why?" Presentation to CPLO Roundtable Discussion, Cape Town. 10th June, 2017.
45. Hornby, Donna and Rosalie Kingwill, 2017. 'Are title deeds the solution to insecure tenure?' HSRC seminar, Cape Town, Pretoria and Durban, 15th August 2017.
46. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. IMBER-ADApT: A decision support tool for responding to global change. Lecture presented at the IMBER Human Dimensions Working Group, Tokyo, May 20, 2016.
47. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. TBTI Webinar, Small-scale fisheries rights in South Africa. Webinar presented at the Too Big to Ignore: Small-scale Fisheries Rights, May 2, 2016.
48. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. TBTI Webinar Fish as Food – 1 June 2016.
49. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Using fishing and making food as a form of protest. Opening discussion: Food talk across boundaries – Food Politics & Cultures Festival: A Festival of the Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences, at the University of the Western Cape, 10 - 12 November 2017, at the District Six Museum in Cape Town.
50. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Sarah Niemand and the Women of Buffelsjagsbay. Film screening and discussion: From Earth to plate Nature/Society and the ecological crisis. Food Politics & Cultures Festival: A Festival of the Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences, at the University of the Western Cape, 10 - 12 November 2017 at the District Six Museum in Cape Town.
51. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Presentation to the Expert Group Meeting on African Network of Excellence on Land Governance (NELGA) Scholarship program, April 25, 2017, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
52. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Presentation on PLAAS Collaboration with NELGA and Capacity Projection. The AU Agenda on Land; Enhancing Institutional Capacities for Land Governance Training in Africa. Capacity Evaluation Seminar. 27th -28th March 2017 PLAAS, University of Western Cape, South Africa.

53. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Transdisciplinary Action Research in Small-scale Fisheries. Too Big To Ignore (TBTI) international meeting. July 3rd 2017, University of Amsterdam.
54. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. The myths of job creation for coastal communities under Operation Phakisa. The Sustainable Development of the South African Ocean Economy, The catholic parliamentary liaison office. 31 May 2017.
55. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. Discussant of a Public Seminar on “The economics of small-scale fishers”, by Prof. Kevern Cochrane. Strand Towers Hotel, Cape Town. 30 May 2017.
56. **Isaacs, M.**, 2017. World Café roundtable. Job creation in fisheries in South Africa. DST-NRF Mandela Initiative Community of Practice: ‘Strategies to Overcome Poverty and Inequality in South Africa’. Cape Town, South Africa. 8th - 9th of May 2017.
57. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. PLAAS Perspectives on Curricula Development Processes.” Workshop presented at the Land Policy Initiative on African Union’s Validation Workshop on Assessment Report Needs and Gaps of Curricula on Land Governance and Institutions of Higher Learning for NELGA, Addis Ababa, July 27, 2016.
58. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. “Postgraduate Diploma: Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies.” Presented to the Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform, November 23, 2016.
59. **Joala, R.**, 2017. “The soya boom and agro-food systems change in northern Mozambique,” PLAAS seminar, PLAAS, UWC, 7 March 2017, <http://www.plaas.org.za/event/soya-boom-and-agro-food-systems-change-northern-mozambique>.
60. **Joala, R.**, 2017. Panel discussion, “Dialogue, Book Launch & 2 Film Premiers: Changing Agro-Systems,” 3 April 2017, OSISA, Johannesburg, South Africa.
61. **Joala, R.**, 2017. Co-presented with Prof Ruth Hall at the World Food System Center, “Food Systems in Transition” Summer School, Stellenbosch, South Africa, 3 July 2017. Session: FDI and History of Land Tenure.
62. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Livelihood research and rural development policy in the Eastern Cape. Presentation to Eastern Cape Socio-Economic Consultative Committee (ECSECC). Seminar, 5 April. East London.
63. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Emergent findings: Ground-truthing rural development policy in the Eastern Cape. Presentation to Eastern Cape Economic Development Cluster Committee. Eastern Cape Office of the Premier, 2 November. Bisho.
64. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Discussant: The competing narrative of inequality, poverty, lack of access to constitutional rights to social security: underlying policy consequences. Black Sash / Economic Policy Research Institute / Heinrich Böll Stiftung. 1 November 2016. Johannesburg.
65. **Neves, D.**, 2017. Social protection in South Africa: Lessons for Nigeria? Presentation South Africa Social Protection study tour for Federal Government of Nigeria. University of the Western Cape / Economic Policy Research Institute / UNICEF, 25 May. Cape Town.
66. Ngubane, Mngqobi, 2017. ‘The rise and fall of black capitalist farmers in eastern Free State, 1989-2017’. PLAAS seminar, Cape Town, 28th March 2017.
67. **Sulle, E.**, 2017. ‘The Politics of Inclusive Business Models: The case of sugarcane Production in Tanzania”, presentation at

the Land Investments Dialogue organised by Care International – Bagamoyo, Tanzania. 14-17 March 2017.

68. **Sulle, E.**, 2017. “Inclusive business model? Examining investor-out growers relation in Tanzania”, presentation at the Young African Researchers in Agriculture Network. The Strand, Cape Town. 6 – 8 February 2017.



DOCUMENTARIES

1. **Isaacs, M.** (Executive Producer). 2017. Fatiema “Poppie” Kok, a 15 minute film on a fisherwoman’s (Fatiema Poppie Kok) life story on how a ‘broken’ governance system failed to incorporate her in the formal rights allocation system. <https://vimeo.com/214943489>.
2. **Isaacs, M.** (Executive Producer). 2017. A 22 minute film on Sarah Niemand and the Women of Buffelsjagbaai. Quoted in “Die Burger” 28 April 2017 on the Current State of Fisheries, Radio Sonder Grense Public broadcast.
3. **Joala, R.** 2016. From Farm to Plate: Changing agro-food systems in Zambia. (Video). <http://www.plaas.org.za/news/changing-agro-food-systems-in-zambia>.
4. **Joala, R.** 2017. Soyfoods and the soya boom in Mozambique: A look at agro-food system change. (Video) [http://www.plaas.org.za/plaas-publications/soya boom in Mozambique](http://www.plaas.org.za/plaas-publications/soya-boom-in-mozambique).
5. **Neves, D.** 2017. Rural development and livelihoods in South Africa. (Video). <http://www.plaas.org.za/news/rural-development-and-livelihoods-south-africa>
6. **Sulle, E.** 2017. The dynamics of land deals in Africa. <http://www.plaas.org.za/news/dynamics-land-deals-africa>



POLICY ENGAGEMENT

1. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘Comments on the Traditional Khoi-San Leadership Bill (B-10 2015)’, presentation to the Portfolio Committee on Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, House of Assembly, Cape Town, 2 February 2016.
2. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘Agrarian reform: a new approach’, presentation to meeting of the sub-committee on land reform, Western Cape Department of Economic Development, 26 February 2016.
3. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘Diagnostic report on land reform in South Africa’. Presentation to the High Level Panel of parliament, 27 September, 2016.
4. **Cousins, Ben**, 2016. ‘Land reform in South Africa is sinking. Can it be saved?’ Paper commissioned by the Nelson Mandela Foundation, the Centre for the Advancement of the South African Constitution, and the Hanns Seidel Foundation.
5. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. ‘When is titling (and when is it not) appropriate?’ Presentation to a roundtable on spatial inequality, High Level Panel of Parliament, Cape Town, 29 June 2017.
6. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. ‘Land redistribution and a national land reform framework law’, presentation at a roundtable of the Land Working Group of the High Level Panel of Parliament, Cape Town. 6 June 2017.
7. **Cousins, Ben** and Geoff Budlender, 2017. ‘A new land redistribution law, to give effect to sec 25 (5) of the Constitution’, presentation to roundtable of the Land Working Group of the High Level Panel of Parliament’. Cape Town, 15 February 2017.

8. **Cousins, Ben** and **Ruth Hall**, 2016. 'Submission on the Communal Property Associations Amendment Bill of 2015', submission to the Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform of parliament, 6 June 2016.
9. **Cousins, Ben** and **Ruth Hall**, 2016. 'The Restitution of Land Rights Amendment Act of 2014', in: Legal Resources Centre and PLAAS, Community Guide: Restitution Amendment Act Constitutional Court Challenge, Cape Town: Legal Resources Centre and Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies.
10. **Cousins, Ben** and **Ruth Hall**, 2017. 'Submission on the Regulation of Agricultural Land Holdings Bill'. May 2017.
11. **Cousins, Ben** and **Ruth Hall**, 2017. Key findings from reports to the High Level Panel of Parliament. Presentation to the Civil Society Think Tank, University of Cape Town, 2 February 2017.
12. Hornby, Donna and **Ben Cousins**, 2016. 'Rethinking agriculture in South Africa: Constraints and opportunities: key lessons for policy makers'. Report on a conference-dialogue held in Cape Town on 11-13 October 2016 (convened by the DST/NRF Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies and the Centre for Excellence on Food Security at the University of the Western Cape, and the Mandela Initiative on dialogue and action for overcoming poverty and inequality).
13. **Du Toit, A.**, 2017. "The Plant Improvement and Plant Breeders' Bills' Submission to the Portfolio Committee on Economic Opportunities, Tourism and Agriculture, Western Cape Provincial Legislature, 17 July 2017.
14. **Gumede, Nkanyiso** and **Ruth Hall**, 2017. PLAAS Submission on the Communal Property Associations Amendment Bill. Hearings held by the Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform, National Assembly, 22-23 November 2017.
15. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2016. Economic opportunities for a better future: Leveraging agriculture, innovation and financial inclusion. Nairobi. October 28 – 29.
16. **Hakizimana, C.**, 2017. Assessing learning needs to create an enabling environment for responsible investment in agriculture and food systems: FAO Consultative Workshop. Rome. 25-26 July 2017.
17. **Hall, Ruth**. 2016. Restitution, Redistribution and Farm Tenure Reforms. Presentation to the Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform, National Assembly, 2 February 2016.
18. **Hall, Ruth**. 2016. Submission to the Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform on the Extension of Security of Tenure Amendment Bill, 28 January 2016.
19. **Cousins, Ben** and **Ruth Hall**, 2016. Submission to the Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform on the Communal Property Associations Amendment Bill, 27 May 2016.
20. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Briefing for Enoch Godongwana, Chairperson, Economic and Transformation Committee of the ANC, ahead of the ANC 54th Conference. Phone conversation and Powerpoint presentation. 10 December 2017.
21. **Hall, Ruth**, 2017. Provincial comparison of delivery of land reform and agricultural support services. Briefing prepared for the Department of Performance Monitoring and Evaluation, The Presidency. [Powerpoint presentation] Tsakani Ngomane, presentation for the Deputy President, Cyril Ramaphosa.

22. **Hall, Ruth** and **Ben Cousins**, 2017. 'Key findings from the reports to the High Level Panel of Parliament'. Land reform civil society think tank, Land and Accountability Research Centre, University of Cape Town, 2-3 February 2017.
23. **Hall, Ruth, Ben Cousins** and Henk Smith, 2017. Drafting of the National Land Reform Framework Bill for Parliament's High-Level Panel, March-July 2017.
24. Scoones, Ian and **Ruth Hall**, 2017. Launch of the Emancipatory Rural Politics Initiative (ERPI). Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex. 24 May 2017.
25. **Hara, M.**, 2016. Development of a South African Inland Fisheries Policy.
26. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Postgraduate Diploma: Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies. Presented at the Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Rural Development and Land Reform, November 23, 2016.
27. **Isaacs, M.**, 2016. Several presentations (03 November 2016 and 30 May 2017) to Parliament: PLAAS' Teaching offerings.
28. **Neves, D.**, 2016. Generating inclusive rural economic growth. Presentation at Operation Phakisa: Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development workshop. Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries / Department of Rural Development and Land Reform. 27 September. Boksburg.
29. Petersen, Leif, 2016. Presentation of concept note entitled "Crowding in nutritious foods into informal economy markets" in collaboration with the Southern African Food Lab. Note to be submitted to the Western Cape Premiers Office in September 2016.
30. Petersen, Leif, 2017. Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation (SLF)/CoE/PLAAS Submission to the Competition Commission of Inquiry into competitiveness in the retail grocery sector. 24 February 2017.
31. **Sulle, E.**, 2016. Attended and contributed to the Tanzania's Land Policy Review Consultation Event held in Karimjee Hall, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, 18 - 19 April, 2016.
32. **Sulle, E.**, 2016. Attended and facilitated group discussions at National Workshop and initial stakeholder capacity assessment to improve governance of tenure with the "Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security" co-organized by the South African Department of Land Reform Rural Development and United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, 4-6 May 2016 Hotel Lagoon Beach, Cape Town South Africa.
33. **Sulle, E.**, 2016. The Kilimanjaro Initiative: Member of the Oversight Technical Group of the Kilimanjaro Initiative, which aims to bring together over 2000 at the foothills of Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanzania to present their demands to land rights to global policy makers.
34. Nelson, F and **E. Sulle**, 2016. Saving Africa's vanishing wildlife: how civil society can help turn the tide. International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) Brief; London: IIED.



EVENTS

Conferences and Workshops

1. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Can land and agrarian reform help reduce social inequality & economic inefficiency, and build an inclusive rural economy in KZN? Opening plenary address to a colloquium on agrarian

- reform and rural development, Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, Durban, 16th – 17th November 2017.
2. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Diagnosing South Africa's land and agrarian reform'. Presentation to Colloquium on 'Land Ownership & Governance in Sustainable Transformation', Hunterstoun Heritage Hub, University of Fort Hare, Hogsback, 25th – 27th October 2017.
 3. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Social reproduction of classes of labour in rural South Africa: the case of Tugela Ferry Irrigation Scheme', presentation at the 5th conference of the BRICS Initiative in Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS), on 'New Extractivism, Peasantries and Social Dynamics: Critical Perspectives and Debates', RANEPa, Moscow, 13th – 16th October 2017.
 4. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Agrarian change in Southern Africa today: state-supported capital accumulation and popular resistance', invited plenary presentation at the 5th conference of the BRICS Initiative in Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS), on 'New Extractivism, Peasantries and Social Dynamics: Critical Perspectives and Debates', RANEPa, Moscow, 13th – 16th October 2017.
 5. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Agrarian Questions in South Africa and India: commonalities and contrasts', presentation at the 7th conference of the International Initiative to Promote Political Economy, Berlin, 13th-15th September 2017.
 6. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Employment prospects in commercial and informal agriculture', research workshop on 'Competition, concentration and employment in the food sector', Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development, University of Johannesburg and PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, in Johannesburg, 23rd and 24th August 2017.
 7. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. "'Commercialising from below": smallholder farmers and land reform in South Africa'. Keynote address, 2nd Ukulinga Howard Davis Memorial Symposium, 'Food Security: Where to From Here?' University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, 24th May 2017.
 8. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Findings of rural job creation project', 'Community of Practice' workshop, Mandela Initiative and National Research Foundation, Cape Town, 8-9th May 2017.
 9. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'Title deeds as an act of empowerment – a different perspective', presentation to a workshop on *Title Deeds and Empowerment*, the Restitution Foundation, Cape Town, 3rd March 2017.
 10. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. 'The systemic roots of inequality and poverty: four competing paradigms', panel discussion on *Sustainable Development in Africa*, Southern African Systems Analysis Centre (SASAC) doctoral cohort workshop, Stellenbosch, 2nd February 2017.
 11. **Cousins, Ben**, 2017. Panel discussion, book launch of *'Hanging on a Wire'*, (photographs by Sofia Klaase and essays, edited by Rick Rohde and Siona O'Connell, Fourthwall Books 2016), Cape Town, 1st February, 2017.
 12. **Du Toit, Andries**, 2016. The World Nutrition 2016 Conference. Held at UWC. PLAAS co-hosted through the CoE, UWC, 30 August to 2 September 2016.
 13. **Du Toit, Andries**, 2017. Proposal Development Workshop, School of Public Health (SOPH), 6-7 April 2017.

14. **Du Toit, Andries** and Kroll, Florian, 2017. Competition, Concentration and Employment in the Food Sector. DST-NRF-CoE in Food Security, CCRED, University of Johannesburg. Research Workshop/Seminar: Johannesburg, 23-24 August 2017.
15. Genis, Amelia, 2017. PLAAS PhD Workshop: Farm Economy. PLAAS, UWC, 6-8 June 2017.
16. Greenberg, Stephen, 2016. World Food Day Panel Discussion. PLAAS, CoE, UCT: Africa Centre for Cities, Labour Enterprise Policy Research Group. The River Club, Observatory, 18 October 2016.
17. **Hakizimana, Cyriaque**, 2017. Inaugural Conference: Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA). Ocean Breeze Hotel, Strand, Cape Town, 6-8 February 2017.
18. **Hall, Ruth**, 2016. Land, Water & Agribusiness in Africa workshop. University of the Western Cape, 6-8 April 2016.
19. **Hall, Ruth** and **Ben Cousins**, 2017. 'Key findings from reports to the High Level Panel of Parliament', presentation to a group of researchers, University of Cape Town, 2nd February, 2017.
20. **Hara, M.**, 2016. Enhancing contributions of inland fisheries to rural livelihoods: An empirical assessment of freshwater fish stocks, fisheries potential, market value chains, co-management and governance arrangements project. Launch meeting of the Reference Group, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, 21 January 2016.
21. **Hara, M.**, 2017. Second meeting of the Reference Group on Enhancing Contributions of Inland Fisheries to Rural Livelihoods: An Empirical Assessment of Freshwater Fish Stocks, Fisheries Potential, Market Value Chains, Co-Management and Governance Arrangements project, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, 19 January 2017.
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2. 9 February, 2016. Adetola Okunlola, Mnqobi Ngubane (PLAAS PhD Candidates) and Prof Ben Cousins. “One size does NOT fit all”: Smallholder farmers & private sector support programmes in South Africa. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town
3. 16 February, 2016. Dr Helena Pérez Niño, Postdoctoral Research Fellow at PLAAS. Class dynamics in contract farming: The case of tobacco production in Mozambique. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
4. 23 February, 2016. Anna Selmeczi, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, South African Research Chair Initiative. Dis/ placing political illiteracy: The politics of intellectual equality in Abahlali BaseMjondolo. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
5. 1 March, 2016. Cyriaque Hakizimana and Prof Ruth Hall, Researchers at PLAAS. Land and agricultural commercialisation in Kenya: Evidence from three farming models. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
6. 8 March, 2016. Stefan Granlund, PhD Student, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences. Can child grants have long-term effects on sustainable rural livelihoods in South Africa? PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
7. 5 April, 2016. Mervyn Abrahams, PACSA. Food Price Affordability: An indicator of the crisis in our economy? PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
8. 12 April, 2016. Prof Cheryl Walker, DST/NRF Chair/Stellenbosch University. Cosmopolitan Karoo? Rethinking relationships to land and identity in the South African countryside. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
9. 19 April, 2016. Assoc Prof Moenieba Isaacs. PLAAS. Fisheries crime, food security and



Prof Cheryl Walker, former PLAAS Advisory Board Member, doing a presentation at our Lunchtime Seminar
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- small-scale fisheries in SA: Is it a case of bigger fish to fry? PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
10. 10 May, 2016. Prof Kojo Amanor, Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana. China and Brazil in African Agriculture: Land, inputs and agribusiness in Ghana. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
 11. 17 May, 2016. Onno Huyser, C4EcoSolutions. Strengthening and enhancing the impact of African weather offices for adapting to climate change. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
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 13. 2 August 2016. Prof Maano Ramutsindela. Dept of Environmental & Geographical Science, UCT. 'Not for sale': Property and power dynamics in transfrontier conservation areas. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
 14. 16 August 2016. Dr Frank Matose Sociology Department, UCT. Dispossession, resistance and 'hidden politics' over nature in Southern African forested landscapes. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
 15. 23 August 2016. Dr Andreas Scheba. Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at the Human Sciences Research Council. The politics of 'inclusive' neoliberal conservation: The case of REDD+ in Tanzania. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
 16. 13 September 2016. L. Chikondi L. and Manyungwa Pasani (PhD student, PLAAS, UWC). Department of Fisheries and Malawi Women in fish value chains and their governance in Malawi. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
 17. 20 September 2016. Davide Chinigò. Rhodes University, Ichthyology and Fisheries Science Department. Balancing the books for South Africa's small-scale fisheries: resources, rights and social and economic returns. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
 18. 4 October 2016. Anna Bulman, David W. Leebron Human Rights Fellow at the Legal Resources Centre. Customary law and the right to food. PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
 19. 28 February 2017. Prof Ben Cousins, Institute for Poverty, Land, and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS). The crisis in South Africa's Land Reform Programme: Diagnosis and remedy? PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
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 33. 15 August 2017. Dr Rosalie Kingwill and Dr Donna Hornby (Post Doc students - PLAAS). Are title deeds the solution to insecure tenure? HSRC. Cape Town.
 34. 16 August 2017. Dr Prashant Rajan. Department of English and Communication Studies, Iowa State University. When does technology enable food access? PLAAS, UWC. Cape Town.
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PLAAS Seminar, with Prof Mafaniso Hara and his Master's students Emilienne Ndofo Epo and Tawanda Jimu
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Online Engagement

ONLINE ACTIVITIES OVERVIEW				
WEBSITE METRIC	2014	2015	2016	2017
WEBSITE: Number of Users	30386	33823	71083	
WEBSITE: Number of page views	108028	112361	218869	
WEBSITE: % of web traffic from Social Media	42.21%	15.6%	17.19%	
TWITTER METRIC	2014	2015	2016	2017
Followers	4213	4900	6402	
Retweet reach	2.24mil	2.89mil	4.61mil	
FACEBOOK METRIC	2014	2015	2016	2017
Likes	797	1004	2027*	
Followers				
Reach	n/a	172678	227296	
YOUTUBE METRIC	2014	2015	2016	2017
Subscribers	15	31	87	
Video Plays	1275	2141	5397	
MAILCHIMP	2014	2015	2016	2017
Subscribers	3198	3226	4012	
LINKEDIN	2014	2015	2016	2017
Followers	95	140	242	



INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

PLAAS CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT: 2015 -2017

		2015	2016	2017
INCOME	NOTES	11 691 768,63	16 714 818,45	17 408 023,09
Austrian Development Agency (ADA)		106 567,04	4 499 249,32	2 985 450,00
Belgian Government		936 000,00		
Copenhagen Business School				41 789,15
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)		1 549 500,14	657 806,11	
Institute of Development Studies (IDS)			326 390,28	325 897,91
MasterCard Foundation			616 740,83	
Mellon Foundation		119 403,10		
Memorial University of Newfoundland				314 235,32
Millennium Trust			600 000,00	1 300 000,00
New America Foundation				240 196,02
OMIDYAR Network				604 579,25
Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa (OSISA)		658 832,00	2 117 738,00	2 441 707,00
Packard Foundation			613 441,48	519 893,40
Programme to Support Pro-poor Policy Development (PSPPD)		887 413,79		384 936,57

Rhodes University (Water Research Council project co-ordinator)			51 200,00	
Rosa Luxemburg Foundation				97 983,00
SA Government – National Research Foundation Chair	1	3 227 495,27	3 360 985,21	3 570 070,81
SA Government – National Research Foundation DST COE		829 500,00	523 333,33	1 518 400,00
SA Government – Parliament SA			330 000,00	820 000,00
SA Government – Water Research Council		1 794 320,32	1 420 000,00	100 000,00
Sundry Small Grants		282 349,82		
United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)				1 337 039,60
University of Cape Town – C3 project		531 510,00	227 790,00	
University of Sweden – Agricultural		0,00	32 153,10	48 923,57
University of Toronto				140 563,89
University of the Western Cape		218 137,74	604 748,17	611 827,60
World Fish		285 377,41	709 058,96	
Other Income (Recovery of overhead and other expenses)		265 362,00	24 183,66	4 530,00
EXPENDITURE		17 639 573,68	18 207 983,58	15 391 428,89
Personnel Costs		7 077 158,11	7 614 942,41	6 230 255,24
Operational Costs		481 349,27	431 897,17	504 901,69
Organisational Support		0,00	125 400,00	
Equipment and Rental		44 896,83	87 585,82	93 552,53
Research Costs		3 626 759,95	3 821 383,99	2 854 876,79
NRF Research Costs	1	1 709 370,23	1 664 945,08	1 899 743,67
Teaching and Training		1 413 421,83	1 926 531,88	491 623,80
Resource Centre		755,00	0,00	
Dissemination		975 826,78	325 107,43	257 374,63
Travel and Accommodation		2 310 035,68	2 210 189,80	3 059 100,54

OPENING BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		11 695 991,57	5 958 271,85	4 457 793,64
Inter-entity transfers				222 732,47
Prior year adjustments	2	210 085,34	-7 313,08	
Net movements for the year		-5 947 805,05	-1 493 165,13	2 016 594,20
Closing Balance		5 958 271,86	4 457 793,64	6 697 120,31
Change in Reporting				
Income Adjustment (Overhead Recovery)		4 649 660,91	2 981 144,95	2 636 116,86
Expense Adjustment (Organisational Support)		-1 606 153,77	-1 726 622,12	-1 235 928,78
Expense Adjustment (Personnel Costs)		-3 043 507,14	-1 254 522,83	-1 400 188,08
NETT IMPACT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS		0,00	0,00	0,00
Notes :				
1. Include NRF Chair and NRF Research Grant expenditure for the period.				
2. Adjust prior year adjustments for the year.				



PLAAS researchers in the field
Photos: PLAAS researchers

MEMBERSHIPS

EMERITUS PROFESSOR BEN COUSINS

Editorial Boards

1. Journal of Agrarian Change, Blackwells (from 2008)
2. Conservation and Society, Medknow and ATREE of Bangalore (from 2010)
3. Afriche e Orienti, University of Bologna (from 2008)

Other positions held

1. Chair, Board of Trustees, Rural Democracy Trust
2. Member, Board of Society, Work and Development Institute (SWOP), University of the Witwatersrand (from 2014).
3. Member, Think Tank, Mandela Initiative on Strategies to Poverty and Inequality (formerly 'Towards Carnegie 3' initiative) and Chair of working group of nine SARCHI Chairs within the Think Tank (from 2014)

4. Member of co-ordinating committee, BRICS Initiative in Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS)

PROFESSOR ANDRIES DU TOIT

Editorial Boards

International Advisory Board,
Journal of Peasant Studies

UWC Institutional roles

1. Exco Member, Economic and Management Sciences faculty
2. Member of UWC Senate
3. Member of the EMS Executive Committee
4. Member of the EMS faculty Board

Other positions held

1. Management Team Member, DST/NRF National Centre of Excellence on Food Security
2. Trustee, ManKind Project of South Africa

NKANYISO GUMEDE

Research Networks

Member of Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) Network

CYRIAQUE HAKIZIMANA

Network co-ordination

Co-ordinator, Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) Network

PROFESSOR RUTH HALL

Editorial Boards

International Advisory Board,
Journal of Peasant Studies

Coordinating/convening roles

1. Co-convenor, Land Deal Politics Initiative
2. Co-convenor, BRICS Initiative in Critical Agrarian Studies (BICAS)
3. Coordinator, Land Theme, Future Agricultures Consortium (FAC)
4. Coordinator, Southern Africa regional hub, Future Agricultures Consortium (FAC)

UWC Institutional roles

1. Member, Research and Study Leave Committee, EMS Faculty

2. Member of UWC Senate
3. Member of the EMS Faculty Board

PROFESSOR MAFANISO HARA

Editorial Boards

Maritime Studies (MAST) Journal

Other positions

1. Member of the Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS) Advisory Board
2. Member the National Research Foundation (NRF) Rating Panel for the Specialist Committee for Anthropology, Development Studies, Geography, Sociology and Social Work (ADGSS)
3. Member of African Union's African Fisheries Reform Mechanism (AFRM)
4. Member of Small Pelagic Resource Management Working Group, Government of South Africa
5. Observer Member of South African Small Pelagic Scientific Working Group
6. Member of South African Sociological Association (SASA)
7. Member of WaterNet
8. Member of the South African Network for Coastal and Oceanic Research (SANCOR)
9. Member of the International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade (IIFET)
10. Member of the International Association for the Study of the Commons (IASC)

11. Member of the Aquatic Ecosystem Health and Management Society (AEHMS)
12. Member International Association of Common Property (IASC)

UWC institutional responsibilities

1. Member of Economic and Management Sciences (EMS) Faculty Higher Degrees Committee (2016 to 2017)
2. Member of the EMS Faculty Board
3. Acting member of the EMS Research and Leave Committee (in place of Professor Ruth Hall while she was on sabbatical)
4. Member of the UWC Senate

PROFESSOR MOENIEBA ISAACS

Professional Committees

1. Steering Committee of the TBTI small-scale fisheries research network (2012-2018)
2. African coordinator of the TBTI small-scale fisheries research network (2012-2018)
3. Executive Steering Committee TBTI small-scale fisheries research network (2016-2018)
4. Co-Chair of Integrated Marine Biogeochemistry and Ecosystem Research's (IMBER) Human Dimension Working Group (2010-2016)
5. Co-director of PescaDOLUS research team on 'seeking innovative solutions to address transnational organised fisheries crime' (from 2017)

Commissions of Trust

1. External Reviewer Agriculture and Food security (from 2016)
2. External Reviewer Journal of Peasant Studies (from 2017)
3. External Reviewer Society and Natural Resources (from 2017)

Regional Institutional Representation

1. Member of 'Validation Workshop on African Union's Land Policy Initiative Assessment Report on Needs and Gaps of Curricula on Land Governance and Institutions of Higher Learning for Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa (NELGA) (Addis Ababa, July 27-28, 2016).
2. Member of Advisory Group on Scholarship Program under NELGA
3. Member of Expert Group Meeting to Validate Study on Land, Ethnicity and Conflict in Africa (13-14 June 2017. United Nations Conference Centre, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia).
4. Member of the review panel on the Inception Report of the NELGA short course training in Land Governance (15 June 2017, African Land Policy Initiative LPI, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia)

UWC Institutional Responsibilities

1. Academic Coordinator for Post-graduate students (Post-graduate diploma, Masters, PhD) Institute for Poverty Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS), University of Western Cape, South Africa (from 2007)

2. Member of the EMS Academic Planning Committee (from 2016)
3. Member of UWC Senate Executive Committee (from 2016)
4. Member of UWC Senate
5. Member of the EMS Faculty Board

REFILOE JOALA

Research Networks

1. Member of Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) Network

DAVID NEVES

Professional Committees

1. Member of Technical Resource Team (TRT), South Africa Vulnerability Assessment Committee (SAVAC), Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries

EMMANUEL SULLE

1. Member, Scientific Committee on Land Policy Conference in Africa
2. Member, Community-based Natural Resource Management (CBNRM) – International
3. Member, Tanzania Natural Resource Forum (TNRF), Arusha, Tanzania
4. Member, Climate Policy Group – International

DR BARBARA TAPELA

Positions held

1. Member of the Global Water Partnership (GWP)
2. Member of the Southern African Water Network (WATERNET)
3. Member of the African Water Equity Network
4. Member of various Water Research Commission (WRC) Reference Groups
5. Member of the REDISA Board of Governors

AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

- Aalborg University, Denmark
- Africa Unit for Transdisciplinary Health Research (AUTHOR), North West University
- African Centre for Biosafety (ACB)
- African Centre for the City (ACC)
- African Food Security Network (AFSUN)
- Africa Union – InterAfrica Bureau for Animal Research (AU-IBAR)
- Alliance for Food Sovereignty in Africa (AFSA)
- Arctic University of Norway
- Ardhi University, Tanzania
- Bureau for Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP)
- Carnegie 3 Initiative on Strategies to Reduce Poverty and Inequality, UCT
- Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement (CIRAD), University of Pretoria
- Centre for Law and Society, University of Cape Town
- Centre for Social Research, University of Zimbabwe
- China Agricultural University, Beijing
- College of Humanities and Development Studies (CHDS), China Agriculture University, Beijing
- Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
- Department of Agricultural Economics, Extension and Rural Development, University of Pretoria
- Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF), South Africa
- Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA), South Africa
- Depart of Fisheries, Malawi
- Department of Ichthyology, Rhodes University
- Department of Microbiology and Plant Pathology, University of Pretoria
- Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Stellenbosch
- Environmental Evaluation Unit (EEU), UCT
- European Union
- Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
- Future Agriculture Consortium (FAC)
- Innovative Fisheries Management, Aalborg University, Denmark
- Institute for Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK
- Institute for Food Nutrition and Well-Being (IFNUW), University of Pretoria
- Institute for Small-scale Fisheries (IDDPE), Mozambique
- International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague
- Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana
- Labour and Enterprise Policy Research Group, University of Cape Town
- Land Deal Politics Initiative

- LandNet Malawi
- Land Policy Initiative
- Legal Resources Centre
- Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR), Malawi
- Makerere University, Uganda
- Masifundise Development Trust
- Mdukutshani Rural Development Programme, Msinga
- Memorial University, Canada
- Namibia Legal Assistance Centre
- Namibian University of Technology
- Nantes University, France
- NEPAD Fisheries Unit
- Norwegian Institute for Water Research
- Norwegian University of Life Sciences
- Overseas Development Institute, UK
- Pan African Parliament
- Programme to Support Pro-Poor Policy Development, Presidency, South Africa
- Rosa Luxemburg Foundation
- Roskilde University, Denmark
- Ruzivo Trust, Zimbabwe
- School for Development Studies, Birmingham University
- School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), UK
- School of Public Health, University of the Western Cape
- South African Network on Inequality (SANI)
- South African Water Caucus
- Southern Africa Food Lab, Stellenbosch University
- Tokai University, Japan
- Too Big To Ignore (TBIT), Memorial University, Canada
- Transnational Institute (TNI)
- Trust for Community Outreach and Education (TCOE)
- Universidade de Brasilia, Brazil
- Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS), Brazil
- University of Arizona, United States of America
- University of Birmingham, UK
- University of British Columbia, Canada
- University of Cologne, Germany
- University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- University of Ghana
- University of Malawi
- University of Zimbabwe
- Wageningen University, Netherlands
- Water Research Commission
- World Fish Centre, Zambia
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