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1 Director's report

The year 2002 was an extremely busy one for PLAAS staff, and saw the initiation of many new projects and activities, some of them qualitatively different to anything undertaken before. These included an in-depth, national review of the land reform programme, and the release of several media briefings that summarise research findings on poverty in the Western Cape. Others were the co-hosting of a continent-wide networking programme on land and resource rights, and lobbying and advocacy in relation to a proposed new law, the Communal Land Rights Bill. These indicate that PLAAS is only just beginning to realise its potential to combine rigorous academic research, effective communication of research findings, highly-focused policy advocacy, and effective networking in support of African research and policy advocacy.

Research highlights of the year include the initiation of a project to evaluate national land and agrarian reform policies and their impacts since 1994. Ruth Hall and Dr Peter Jacobs were recruited to undertake this research and made impressive progress in relation to this ambitious and challenging task. Other important new projects that began in 2002 included Dr Thembela Kepe's research on HIV/AIDS and land-based livelihoods, and the multi-disciplinary and international KNOWFISH project on the informational needs and institutional structures for effective fisheries co-management, co-ordinated by Dr Mafa Hara.

Path-breaking research on chronic poverty in South Africa was conducted by Drs Cobus de Swardt and Andries du Toit, who together led survey research on 2000 households in the rural Eastern Cape (Mt Frere), the rural Western Cape (Ceres) and Cape Town (Khayelitsha and Nyanga). They also co-ordinated five in-depth studies on topics such as social security and malnutrition, food security and HIV/Aids. The policy relevance of this research was dramatically revealed by the impact of a series of press briefings summarising their emerging research findings. These resulted in twenty newspaper articles, eight radio interviews, and invitations to make presentations at many national and international forums, including a conference in Washington organised by the World Bank.

A key focus for several PLAAS staff in 2002 was advocacy and lobbying in relation to the land and resource rights of the rural poor. This was undertaken within three different initiatives. Firstly, a project on "land reform and sustainable development", undertaken in collaboration with partners from Noragric at the Agricultural University of Norway, focused on encouraging debate and discussion on land rights at the World Summit for Sustainable Development (WSSD), held in Johannesburg in August/September 2002. A policy brief and a research report were published and widely distributed at the summit, and two workshops (one in Cape Town and one in Johannesburg, during the summit) were organised to promote awareness of the need to integrate land reform concerns into mainstream discourses of sustainable development.

Secondly, PLAAS engaged in public advocacy and lobbying around a proposed new land law for the first time. Together with the National Land Committee, we initiated a project to organise community consultations around the draft Communal Land Rights Bill, develop appropriate communication materials, and assist partner NGOs and community representatives to strengthen their understanding of land tenure (and thus make more informed submissions to parliament). In July 2002 PLAAS organised an international workshop on 'Tenure reform in Africa – lessons for the Communal Land Rights Bill', and papers from Kenya, Uganda, Mozambique and Tanzania were presented. A training workshop on land tenure was held for NGO partners, and several community workshops were organised by two PLAAS consultants, Aninka Claassens and Lungisile Ntsebeza. Articles in the media helped generate wider debate on the CLR Bill. The project will host a number of other community consultations in early 2003.

Thirdly, the Pan-African-African Programme for Land and Resource Rights, which is co-hosted by PLAAS and three other leading centres in Africa, was launched with an inaugural workshop in Cairo in March, attended by researchers and practitioners from 18 African countries. Subsequent workshops were held in Lagos and Nairobi. The *Lagos Declaration on Land and Resource Rights in Africa*, drafted by members of the network, was widely circulated at the WSSD in Johannesburg.

How effective have these three advocacy projects been? This is always difficult to assess but regular reflection on the usefulness of such exercises is important, and it will be important to ask this question again when all three projects are concluded. The challenge for researchers from PLAAS is to ground policy advocacy in open-minded and rigorous research, and to remain open to ongoing debate around competing viewpoints. We need to constantly remind ourselves that no-one has the monopoly on truth and that all claims to truth (and all policy stances) are inherently contestable. This perspective on the 'politics of knowledge' is one that PLAAS, an academic institution, is well positioned to convey to NGO partners in the sector.

Another PLAAS event of note in 2002 was a three-day international symposium on transformation in the South African fishing industry, co-hosted with the Norwegian Fisheries College at the University of Tromsø. The symposium was attended by over 60 participants from the region, with fourteen papers being presented by researchers from South Africa, Mozambique, Namibia and Norway, in addition to three papers by the lead researcher from PLAAS, Moenieba Isaacs.

In 2002 PLAAS maintained its publication output, with a total of one book, five research reports, six occasional papers, and three policy briefs/ research briefings produced. The book, *Contested resources: Challenges to the governance of natural resources in southern Africa*, is a volume of conference papers edited by Tor Arve Benjaminsen of Noragric, Ben Cousins of PLAAS and Lisa Thompson of the Centre for Southern African Studies, and contains a number of high quality papers by internationally respected scholars.

Another highlight in 2002 was the continued expansion and refinement of the post-graduate teaching programme offered by PLAAS, under the direction of Dr Edward Lahiff. This is undertaken in close collaboration with various academic departments at UWC, UCT and the University of Stellenbosch as well as the Legal Resources Centre. It saw an increase in student numbers in 2002, with seventeen students registered, most of them employees of land-related NGOs or professionals in the land and rural development sectors, and six of them from outside South Africa. Nine of the twelve students who registered the inaugural 2001 course graduated with a Post-graduate Diploma in Land and Agrarian Studies in 2002, and one will continue to do an MPhil in 2003. Discussions around the possibility of awarding degrees jointly between the three universities continued, but the matter has not yet been resolved. A PLAAS staff member, Thembele Kepe, graduated with a PhD in Development Studies in 2002.

As reported in 2001, an intensive organisational change process within PLAAS has resulted in more effective systems and procedures for governance, management, and administrative support services. In 2002 these were further refined and strengthened, and together with improved salaries and conditions of service helped provide a sense of stability and continuity for a team of extremely hard-working research and administrative staff.

The major challenge now for PLAAS is the issue of long-term sustainability. Next year, 2003, will see PLAAS receive its final core grant from Ford Foundation. Major new initiatives to raise additional funding and secure core support from the university itself will be required if PLAAS is to secure its current status as the leading centre of research and training on land reform and related issues in the country (and possibly the region).

2 Staffing

PLAAS employed 21 staff members during 2002:

Director

- Prof Ben Cousins

Research and academic staff

- Fadeela Ally (Researcher)
- Dr Cobus de Swardt (Senior Researcher)
- Dr Andries du Toit (Senior Researcher)
- William Ellis (Researcher)
- Ruth Hall (Researcher) (from May)
- Mafaniso Hara (Senior Researcher)
- Moenieba Isaacs (Researcher)
- Dr Peter Jacobs (Researcher) (from May)
- Thembela Kepe (Senior Researcher)
- Edward Lahiff (Senior Researcher)
- Lungisile Ntsebeza (Senior Researcher)
- Zolile Ntshona (Researcher)
- Munyaradzi Saruchera (Researcher/Network Co-ordinator) (from March)
- Webster Whande (Network Co-ordinator)

Administrative staff

- Ursula Arends (Administrator)
- Natasha Emmett (Admin Manager)
- Bealah Jacobs (Admin Assistant)
- Diana Josephus (Finance Assistant)
- Edgar Joshua (Finance Manager)
- Vivian Magerman (Secretary/Receptionist)

Diversity profile of the Programme for Land and Agrarian Studies as at December 2002

	<i>Black</i>		<i>White</i>	
	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>
Academic	2	8	1	4
Administrative	5	1	0	0
Total	7	9	1	4

3 Research activities

One research project was completed in 2002, seven were ongoing, and three new projects were initiated.

Completed research

Governance and trust relations in community-based natural resource management

This project was located within a broader collaborative research programme on the administration of trust relations between state and society undertaken by the School of Government and the University of Bergen in Norway, with funding from NUFU. The PLAAS project focused on power, identity and governance issues in a rural field site where there has been significant state intervention in the areas of development, conservation and natural resource management. The community in question (the ≠Khomani San) recently won back their land through the land claims process and has entered into complex negotiations with South African National Parks over the co-ownership and co-management of natural resources. The tension between state discourses on governance and democracy and local discourses on tradition, culture and community was a central part of the analysis. William Ellis is in the process of finalising his case study of the ≠Khomani San land claim and writing his PhD thesis. He is supervised by his co-researcher in the project, Dr Steven Robins of the Department of Anthropology and Sociology at UWC. Both worked closely with Dr Thorvald Gran of the Department of Administration and Organisation at the University of Bergen.

Ongoing research

Community-based natural resource management (CBNRM) in southern Africa: A regional programme of analysis and communication

PLAAS completed the first three-year phase of this southern Africa-wide programme of research and communication in conjunction with the Centre for Applied Social Studies (CASS) at the University of Zimbabwe. The programme focuses on a key policy issue: how natural resources can be used and managed sustainably through group-based institutions and decision making. The programme seeks to undertake a systematic comparative analysis of the opportunities and constraints of CBNRM across the various sub-sectors, and draw out lessons for policy and practice. An independent evaluation of the first phase was conducted early in 2002 by Zenda Ofir and Brian Jones. The evaluators noted the networking and communications component of the programme had established itself in the region. They said that, although CBNRM-type initiatives were first established in southern Africa 20 years ago, a continuous process of understanding and challenging received wisdom is necessary for CBNRM to stand the test of time. They pointed to a high level of interest among stakeholders in the programme going into its second three-year phase. An issue of the newsletter *Commons Southern Africa* was published in August. Webster Whande of PLAAS is the co-ordinator of the project, which is co-funded by Ford Foundation and the International Development Research Centre (IDRC).

Management of community-based fisheries in the Western and Eastern Cape

This project is located in the CBNRM Unit of PLAAS and was started in 1999 with funding from the Norwegian Council of Universities' Committee for Development Research and Education (NUFU). Moenieba Isaacs is the lead researcher, in collaboration with Prof Carl-Erik Shultz and Prof Bjørn Hersoug of the University of Tromsø in Norway. The project is investigating how effective the implementation of the Marine Living Resources Act of 1998 has been in the Western Cape and Eastern Cape, and how conflicts over access to scarce marine resources are managed and resolved. Isaacs, who is registered for a PhD in the School of Government, is in the process of writing her thesis on this topic.

Rural governance, land rights and sustainable livelihoods in South Africa: Policies and their delivery

This project investigates the implementation of policies in respect of land tenure reform, local government reform and rural development aimed at creating sustainable livelihoods. There is a particular emphasis on the controversial issues of the role of traditional authorities, and the multiple and overlapping jurisdictions of diverse institutions in these areas. The project aims to provide the government with detailed feedback about the overall coherence of its policy frameworks, on the feasibility of the programmes derived from these frameworks, on problems encountered in implementation, and on how these obstacles may be overcome. Lead researcher Lungisile Ntsebeza is registered for a PhD in Sociology at Rhodes University. The project is funded by the Swiss Agency for Development Co-operation (SDC).

Human rights and governance in South Africa's land reform

This programme is based on a 1999 agreement between PLAAS and the Centre for International Environment and Development Studies of the Agricultural University of Norway (Noragric). It involves staff exchange visits and collaborative research, as well as research and study grants to two post-graduate students – one Norwegian and one South African – to engage in applied research on the socio-legal dimensions of CBNRM in South Africa. Phinda Ndabula, formerly of PLAAS, did field research in the Free State for an MPhil in land and Agrarian Studies and Poul Wisborg of Noragric is registered for a PhD on *Human rights and land tenure reform in South Africa: A case study of policy discourses, and stakeholders*, and is engaged in fieldwork in Namaqualand, Northern Cape. The programme is co-ordinated by Dr Thembela Kepe, who is undertaking research on two key policy issues: the impact of HIV/AIDS on rural livelihoods, and the links between biodiversity conservation and land reform. A research report on the status of land reform in South Africa by Stephen Turner was published in 2002, and widely distributed at the World Summit for Sustainable Development in Johannesburg. The project is funded by the Norwegian Embassy and administered by the Norwegian Institute for Human Rights at the University of Oslo.

National programme on coastal and fisheries co-management

This programme seeks to provide support to initiatives and projects which are investigating and implementing community-government co-management arrangements in relation to coastal and fisheries resources. It further seeks to promote active co-operation between such initiatives and provide facilitation, capacity building and other developmental support to such projects. The aim is to inform policy, improve sustainable use and management of coastal resources, foster co-operation between communities and government agencies as well as provide empowerment and economic development opportunities to historically disadvantaged coastal communities. This project is funded under a joint Norwegian-South African bilateral co-operation agreement and is led by Mafaniso Hara of PLAAS. The implementing agency is the Branch: Marine and Coastal Management, Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism. The executing agencies are the Environmental Evaluation Unit of the University of Cape Town and PLAAS, who have subcontracted aspects of the work to regional service providers: the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Wildlife, Rhodes University (Eastern Cape) and Eco-Africa (Northern Cape).

Sustainable livelihoods in southern Africa: Institutions, governance and policy processes

A sustainable livelihoods approach requires new ways of thinking about institutional and organisational arrangements for development, as well as new ways of thinking about policy processes in order for the concerns of the poor to have an influence. This research programme, which started in April 2000 and is funded by the United Kingdom's Department for International Development (DFID), explores the challenges of institutional, organisational and policy reform around land, water and wild resources in particular locations in southern Africa. Case study sites

are Zambezia in Mozambique, the Eastern Cape Wild Coast in South Africa and the Lowveld area of south-east Zimbabwe. This three-year programme is being carried out in collaboration with the University of Zimbabwe, Eduardo Mondlane University in Mozambique and is being co-ordinated by the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), Sussex University. Dr Edward Lahiff of PLAAS co-ordinates the South African component of the project, and engaged in field research with Zolile Ntshona. A research report on land reform and sustainable development and a research briefing on private sector and community involvement in tourism and forestry in the Eastern Cape were published in 2002.

Chronic poverty and development policy

This project was initiated late in 2000, in collaboration with the Institute for Development Policy and Management (IDPM) at the University of Manchester and other research units in the UK and in Sri Lanka, India, Bangladesh, and Uganda. It focuses on the chronic poor whose deprivation is sustained over many years and often carried from one generation to the next, and includes those living in marginal rural areas, the disabled, the elderly, child-headed 'households', the displaced and refugees, and people experiencing social discrimination in its many and varied forms. Research explores both the condition of chronic poverty and appropriate development policies to address the needs of the chronically poor. In 2002 PLAAS researchers Dr Cobus de Swardt, Dr Andries du Toit and Fadeela Ally did field research for this programme in South Africa in rural Eastern Cape (Mount Frere and Xhalanga), rural Western Cape (Ceres) and urban Western Cape (the townships of Khayelitsha and Nyanga in Cape Town). Over 2000 households (more than 9 000 people) were surveyed, and five in-depth, qualitative studies on a number of topics were conducted. Preliminary findings were disseminated via a series of nine targeted press statements and received wide coverage in the media (in twenty newspaper articles and eight radio interviews). The research will continue over a five-year period and is funded by DFID. A close and mutually beneficial partnership with the School of Public Health at UWC has been formed.

New research

Evaluating land and agrarian reform in South Africa

Land reform is a key component of the government's efforts to redress apartheid injustices and to alleviate rural poverty. Progress has been made since 1994 on policy development and delivery mechanisms, and some land has been transferred. However, there is intense debate about the need to speed up delivery of land through the restitution and redistribution programmes, to secure tenure rights for farm dwellers and people in communal areas, and to ensure that land reform generates sustainable livelihoods for rural people. This two year research project seeks to evaluate the implementation of land and agrarian reform policies in South Africa since 1994, to stimulate debate, to generate a vision of a sustainable and equitable land and agrarian dispensation, and to formulate specific policy proposals. The researchers are Ruth Hall and Dr Peter Jacobs and the first year is funded by the Foundation for Human Rights

Pan-African Programme on Land and Resource Rights (PAPLRR)

Across Africa the land and resource rights of the poor are threatened by inappropriate policies and institutions (including global treaties); unequal social, political and economic relations; the actions of powerfully vested interests on local, national and international level; and the weakness of grassroots organisations. PAPLRR aims to develop and articulate a Pan-African voice on land and resource rights, policies and advocacy, as well as to engage with other stakeholders at regional and international level. The programme is hosted and co-managed by the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) in Nairobi, Kenya, Community Conservation and Development Initiatives in Lagos, Nigeria, the Social Research Centre at the American University of Cairo,

Egypt, and PLAAS. The Lagos Declaration on Land and Resource Rights in Africa was developed at the second of three PAPLRR workshops held in 2002 (the others being in Cairo and Nairobi), and was widely circulated at the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) in Johannesburg at the end of August. Munyaradzi Saruchera co-ordinates the whole programme from PLAAS. The programme is funded by Ford Foundation

Promoting common property in Africa: Networks for influencing policy and governance of natural resources ('Co-Govern')

Research has proved that policies on common property resource management in Africa are shaped as much by political expediency as by technical considerations. Despite a large body of evidence of the economic, social and ecological value of communal tenure systems, policies are still being made to either privatise the commons or to keep them under state control. Co-Govern brings together African researchers and professionals working on resource tenure issues to engage in exchange, dialogue and to share practical experience. The purpose of this is to generate clear options for improving policy on common property resource management on the continent. The first meeting of the network was held in Kampala, Uganda, in May, at the same time as the World Bank consultative workshop on land. The inception meeting of the programme and a field visit took place in Scotland in September. Outputs of the programme are likely to be published in the International Institute for Environment and Development's *Securing the commons* series. The programme is funded by the European Union, and in Southern Africa is co-ordinated from PLAAS by Munyaradzi Saruchera.

Fisheries co-management – knowledge base and institutional arrangements

This is a 30 months long multi-disciplinary research project, the aim of which is to improve understanding of the informational needs and institutional structures for effective fisheries management, through a comparative analysis of five cases where co-management is currently being attempted. The cases represent different scales and combinations of environment i.e. flood plains, swamps, lakes, inshore marine and offshore marine settings and types of fisheries, i.e., artisanal, semi-industrial and industrial. The selected cases are 1) The upper Zambezi River fishery, Zambia; 2) The North East Swamps fishery, Zambia; 3) The fishery in the South East Arm of Lake Malawi; 4) The shrimp fishery at the Sofala Bank, Mozambique; and 5) The pelagic fishery in South Africa. The project will bring together researchers from ten participating institutions in Southern Africa, the European Community (EU) and an EU associated member state as follows: Programme for Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS), South Africa; Marine and Coastal Management, South Africa; Centre for Applied Social Science, Zimbabwe; Fisheries Department, Malawi; Instituto de Desenvolvimento da Pesca de Pequena Escala, Mozambique; Department of Fisheries, Zambia; Institute for Fisheries management & Coastal Community Development (IFM), Denmark (project lead institution); Wageningen University, Holland; University of Bergen, Norway; and Chr. Michelsen Institute, Norway. The consortium is composed of expertise in fisheries biology, fisheries management, aquatic ecology, fisheries technology, institutional economics, anthropology and sociology, thereby having the potential to undertake genuine multi-disciplinary research. The overall project coordination will be undertaken by IFM while PLAAS will ensure coordination within the Southern Africa region. Dr Mafa Hara is the lead researcher and co-ordinator at PLAAS.

4 PLAAS publications 2002

Books

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ODI Natural Resource Perspectives series

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Policy brief series: Debating land reform and rural development

- Kepe, T & Cousins, B. 2002. *Radical land reform is key to sustainable rural development in South Africa*. Cape Town: PLAAS. (Policy brief; no. 3.)

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- Ainslie, A (ed). 2002. *Cattle ownership and production in the communal areas of the Eastern Cape, South Africa*. Cape Town: PLAAS. (Research report; no. 10.)
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Sustainable Livelihoods in Southern Africa research briefing series

Ashley, C & Ntshona, Z. 2002. *Transforming roles but not reality? Private sector and community involvement in tourism and forestry development on the Wild Coast*. Cape Town: PLAAS. (Sustainable Livelihoods in Southern Africa research briefing.)

5 Publications and presentations by PLAAS staff in 2002

Ben Cousins

Publications

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Presentations

(with Thembela Kepe) 'Decentralisation in contexts where land and resource rights are deeply contested'. Presentation to a workshop on Decentralisation and Natural Resource Management, Bellagio, Italy, 18–22 February 2002.

'Tenure reform in South Africa'. Presentation to the first workshop of the Pan-African Programme on Land and Resource Rights, Cairo, Egypt, 25-26 March 2002.

'Zimbabwe: The election and the regional response'. Presentation at a seminar on the 2002 Zimbabwe elections, School of Government, University of the Western Cape, 11 April 2002.

'Not rural development but agrarian reform: Beyond the neoliberal agenda'. Presentation to the Conference on Rural and Urban Development, National Institute of Economic Policy, Gauteng, 18 April 2002.

- ‘Consensus and controversy in South Africa’s Land Reform Programme’. Presentation to a World Bank workshop on Land Policy in Africa, Kampala, Uganda, 29 April–3 May 2002.
- ‘Land reform in South Africa: Has government lost its way?’ Presentation at a seminar organised by the Harold Wolpe Trust, Cape Town, 25 April 2002.
- ‘Key issues in drafting the 1999 Land Rights Bill’. Presentation at a workshop on the Communal Land Rights Bill organised by Midnet, the Association for Rural Advancement and the Legal Entity Assessment Project, Pietermaritzburg, 26 April 2002.
- ‘Land redistribution in South Africa’. Presentation at a seminar organised by the board of the Foundation for Human Rights, Magaliesburg, 17 August 2002.
- ‘Communal tenure in Africa’. Presentation to a symposium on African Perspectives: Land and Sustainable Development, organised by the National Land Committee, the African Institute for Agrarian Studies and PLAAS, Landless People’s Camp, Johannesburg, 26-27 August 2002.
- ‘Land restitution and tenure reform in South Africa’. Presentation to a seminar at the Centre for Conflict Resolution, University of Cape Town, 15 November 2002.
- ‘Lobbying and advocacy around South Africa’s Communal Land Rights Bill’. Presentation to the Third Workshop of the Pan-African Programme for Land and Resource Rights, Nairobi, Kenya, 18–20 November 2002.

Cobus de Swardt

Presentations

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6 Teaching

Diploma and MPhil in Land and Agrarian Studies

The one-year Post-Graduate Diploma in Land and Agrarian Studies was presented for the second time in 2002 under the direction of Dr Edward Lahiff. Nine of the students who did the inaugural 2001 course graduated in the year under review and one, who was unable to complete the course in 2001 due to visa complications, did so in 2002. Seventeen students registered for the 2002 Diploma course, most of them employees of land-related NGOs or professionals in the land and rural development sectors, six of them from outside South Africa. Eight completed all modules and coursework during the year, seven have outstanding work, and two dropped out.

Changes to the degree structure were implemented in 2002. Students completing the diploma course with an overall mark of 60% or more at the end of the first year now have the option to

covert their degrees to an MPhil by Coursework. Those exercising this option must complete a mini-dissertation in the second year. Also, suitably qualified students are now permitted to register for the MPhil by Research without having to do the Diploma first. This degree is by means of a long dissertation with no taught modules. Eight students who completed the Diploma with sufficiently good results to register for the MPhil by Coursework have applied to do so in 2003, and one has registered for the MPhil by Research.

The teaching programme is carried out in collaboration with a number of other partners. Seventeen individuals from departments of UWC, UCT, the University of Stellenbosch and the Legal Resources Centre taught on the programme. Discussions around the possibility of awarding degrees jointly between the three universities were held in 2002, but the matter has not yet been resolved.

Other teaching

During 2002 Dr Edward Lahiff taught on the Master of Philosophy in Environmental Management Programme, UCT and the School for International Training, Cape Town Arts and Social Change Programme, UCT. Moenieba Isaacs taught on the International Fisheries Masters Programme, University of Tromsø, Norway. Dr Cobus de Swardt taught on the nutritional Master s programme at the National Nutrition Conference in Potchefstroom, and the UWC post-graduate programme on food security. Ruth Hall taught on land reform policy and the law in the Professional Education Programme, Faculty of Law, UCT.

7 Examinerships

In 2002, Dr Edward Lahiff was an external examiner for the Department of Agricultural Extension, University of the North, and for the Masters in Protected Areas Management, University of Natal Pietermaritzburg. Prof Ben Cousins examined a PhD thesis in Sociology from the University of Witwatersrand.

8 Research workshops, conferences and seminars

Workshops and conferences

PLAAS organised or co-hosted several workshops in the course of 2002, some of these in preparation for the World Summit for Sustainable Development (WSSD) held in Johannesburg in August and September 2002. In August a one day workshop on “Myths of Sustainable Development: challenging the dominant narratives” was held in Cape Town. Later that month a symposium on “African Perspectives: Land and Sustainable Development” was organised by PLAAS, the National Land Committee, and the African Institute for Agrarian Studies, at the Landless People’s Camp in Johannesburg during the WSSD.

In July 2002 PLAAS organised an international workshop on “Tenure reform in Africa – lessons for the Communal Land Rights Bill”, and papers from Kenya, Uganda, Mozambique and Tanzania were presented. This activity was undertaken under the umbrella of the project on the Communal Land Rights Bill, which is funded by DFID.

PLAAS was co-host of three PAPLRR workshops during 2002 – one in Cairo, one in Lagos (where the *Lagos Declaration on Land and Resource Rights in Africa* was developed) and one in Nairobi. As one of the partners in the Co-Govern project, PLAAS was represented at the inception workshop of the network held in Scotland in September. PAPLRR was represented at a number of international conferences, including the World Bank consultative conference on land in Kampala, Uganda in May, the bi-annual conference of the International Society for the Study of Common Property (IASCP) at Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe in June, the WSSD preparatory meeting in Bali, Indonesia and the WSSD in Johannesburg in August/September.

The CASS/PLAAS CBNRM programme co-ordinated eight networking visits attended by CBNRM scholars, policy makers and practitioners. The programme also organised a panel on networks at the bi-annual International Association for the Study of Common Property conference at Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe in June.

In October PLAAS and the Norwegian Fisheries College at the University of Tromsø, Norway co-hosted an International Symposium on “Transformation of the South African Fishing Industry”. The main goal of the symposium was to create a forum for debate, between the relevant government department (Environmental Affairs and Tourism, through their directorate of Marine and Coastal Management) together with research institutes, non-governmental organisations and community representatives. A second goal was to present research findings on how transformation was perceived and received in the specific communities of Elands Bay, Hout Bay, Mossel Bay and Jeffery’s Bay. Other institutions whose staff presented papers or posters at the symposium included IDPPE (National Institute for the Development of Small Scale Fisheries, Mozambique), Masifundise (an NGO), Rhodes University, and the University of Cape Town. The symposium hosted 14 presentations and 60 participants.

Seminars

PLAAS hosted the following seminars in 2002:

- Peter Gibbon, Centre for Development Research: ‘Global commodity chain analysis and agro-commodities: Implications for small farms in sub-Saharan Africa’ (2 November 2001).
- Poul Wisborg, Noragric: ‘Human rights and legal reform in ‘certain rural areas’: struggles over the Namaqualand commons’ (15 February 2002)
- Michael Aliber, HSRC: ‘The interaction of the land redistribution programme and the land market’ (8 March 2002)
- Andrew Ainslie, ARC: ‘A dual economy: the politics of cattle production in the former Bantustans of the Eastern Cape’ (15 April 2002)
- Susanne Berzborn (University of Cologne, Germany): ‘The making of local traditions in a global setting: Indigenous people’s organizations and their effects on the local level in southern Africa’ (2 July)
- Dr Nhamo Samasuwo (University of Pretoria): ‘The emergence of a regional beef industry and the political economy of markets in southern Africa 1902–39 (18 October).

9 Policy engagement

Since 1995 PLAAS researchers have engaged with policy processors as advisors to national and provincial government departments, as consultants in design or facilitation of programmes or projects, as reviewers or evaluators, and as facilitators of policy workshops. During 2002 Fadeela Ally and Dr Andries du Toit provided research support to the Department of Trade and Industry’s Workplace Challenge pilot project on negotiated workplace change in the Western Cape fruit packaging industry. Dr Edward Lahiff attended the International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers’ Associations International Conference on Land Reform in Cape Town in October as well as the WSSD. Ruth Hall and Peter Jacobs participated in formulation of the Department of Land Affairs strategic plan for the Western Cape. Dr Andries du Toit was a panellist on Human Rights Commission hearings into violence in the farming community held on 4 July 2002. Webster Whande is part of a national task team on developing CBNRM guidelines for South Africa. Prof Ben Cousins was invited to join a Reference Group for the Communal Land Rights Bill convened by the Department of Land Affairs.

Dr Cobus de Swardt engaged in advocacy activities through a newspaper stories and radio interviews on chronic poverty, and through meeting with 93 policy makers, opinion makers and

politicians in South Africa and overseas during 2002. He represented the Chronic Poverty Research Centre (CPRC) at various forums and missions, including meetings with senior officials of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (New York), the United Nations Development Programme (New York), the World Bank (Washington DC), Parliamentarians for Global Action (New York), the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (Washington DC), the United Nations Food Programme (Rome), the Agriculture and Economics Group (Basel), the Food Economy Group (Biglerville, USA and Nova Scotia, Canada) and the International Food Policy Research Institute (Washington DC). Dr De Swardt also met with senior Western Cape government officials, including Marius Fransman (Western Cape Minister for Poverty Alleviation), Alan Roberts (poverty alleviation co-ordinator), Ricardo Wessels (Western Cape Premier's office), Tasneem Essop (Western Cape Minister for Transport) and Ivan Toms (Director of Health, City of Cape Town).

PLAAS and the National Land Committee initiated a project to organise community consultations around the draft Communal Land Rights Bill (CLRБ), develop appropriate communication materials, engage in lobbying and advocacy, and assist NGOs and community representatives make submissions to parliament. The project was initiated in July 2002, and will run until passage of the new law in 2003. Aninka Claassens and Lungisile Ntsebeza were appointed by PLAAS to undertake various tasks within the project, which is funded by DFID.

10 Institutional linkages

International

In 2002 PLAAS maintained its close working relationships with the Environment Group at the Institute for Development Studies at the University of Sussex (IDS). Collaborative research with the University of Tromsø continued, as did the close and mutually rewarding partnership between PLAAS and Noragric at the Agricultural University of Norway and the Norwegian Institute for Human rights at the University of Oslo. The Sustainable Livelihoods in Southern Africa programme depended on good working relationships with IDS, the Overseas Development Institute, London, IUCN (The World Conservation Union) Mozambique, Eduardo Mondlane University in Mozambique and the University of Zimbabwe. The chronic poverty and development policy project developed close ties with the Institute for Development Policy and Management (IDPM) and the Chronic Poverty Research Centre at the University of Manchester. Joint publication of the NRP series saw a continuation of the partnership with the Overseas Development Institute in London.

Fisheries research saw close relationships established with the Marine and Coastal Management section of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, South Africa; the Centre for Applied Social Science, Zimbabwe; Fisheries Department, Malawi; Instituto de Desenvolvimento da Pesca de Pequena Escala, Mozambique; Department of Fisheries, Zambia; Institute for Fisheries Management & Coastal Community Development (IFM), Denmark; Wageningen University, Holland; University of Bergen, Norway; and Chr. Michelsen Institute, Norway.

A longstanding and close working relationship was maintained with the Centre for Applied Social Sciences (CASS) at the University of Zimbabwe, principally through joint management of the regional CBNRM networking and research programme. Through the PAPLRR, links were established with the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) in Nairobi, Kenya, Community Conservation and Development Initiatives (CCDI) in Lagos, Nigeria, and the Social Research Centre at the American University of Cairo, Egypt. The Co-Govern project initiated a linkage with the International Institute for Environment and Development.

National

Locally, PLAAS worked closely with the Environmental Evaluation Unit of the University of Cape Town on the coastal and fisheries co-management programme. PLAAS's teaching activities draw on experts from UCT, the University of Stellenbosch and the Legal Resources Centre. Good working relations were maintained with the National Land Committee and many of its affiliates, and other organisations within the Western Cape Alliance for Land and Agrarian Reform.

11 Academic, community and public body memberships

Ben Cousins

- Member of the UWC Senate
- Member of the School of Government board
- Trustee of the Cape Land Development Trust
- Member of the steering committee, Legal Entity Assessment Project
- Member of the steering committee, CASS-PLAAS regional programme on CBNRM in southern Africa
- Member of the board of the Institute for Plant Conservation, University of Cape Town.
- Member of the nominating committee of the International Association for the Study of Common Property (IASCP)
- Member of the Western Cape Alliance for Land and Agrarian Reform.

Ruth Hall

- Member of scholarship selection committee, United World Colleges.
- Member of scholarship selection committee, Rhodes Scholarships.
- Member of the Western Cape Alliance for Land and Agrarian Reform.

Moenieba Isaacs

- Board member of the Soetwater Environmental Centre (focusing on survival skills and environmental education in previously disadvantaged schools in the Western Cape).
- Member of the African Fisheries Co-Management network of the Institute for Fisheries Management (IFM) (Denmark) and ICLARM (the World Fish Center).

Peter Jacobs

- Member of the Union for Radical Political Economy (URPE).
- Member of the Alpha Gamma Mu Society in Economics.

Thembela Kepe

- Trustee of the Biowatch Trust.
- Member of the advisory panel on the United Nations Development Programme South Africa Human Development Report.

Edward Lahiff

- Member of the Western Cape Alliance for Land and Agrarian Reform.
- Project reviewer for the National Research Foundation's institutional research development programmes.

Lungisile Ntsebeza

- Board member: Surplus People Project.
- Advisory board member: Reconciliation Barometer, Institute for Justice and Reconciliation.

Webster Whande

- Member of the FRAME Contact Group (a project of the Africa Bureau Office of Sustainable Development of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)).

12 Finance

PLAAS received R6.2 million in funding in 2002. The main funders and amounts given were:

- The Department of International Development, UK (via the University of Manchester) – 1.7 million
- The Norwegian Embassy (via the Norwegian Institute for Human Rights) – R1.2 million
- The Department of International Development, UK (via the Institute for Development Studies, Sussex University) – R780 000
- The European Union (via the Foundation for Human Rights) – R348 000
- The Department of International Development, UK (via the National Land Committee) – R408 000
- The Directorate of Marine and Coastal Management – R340 000
- The European Union (via the International Institute for Environment and Development) – R253 000