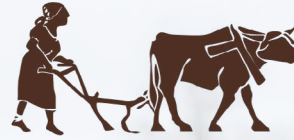


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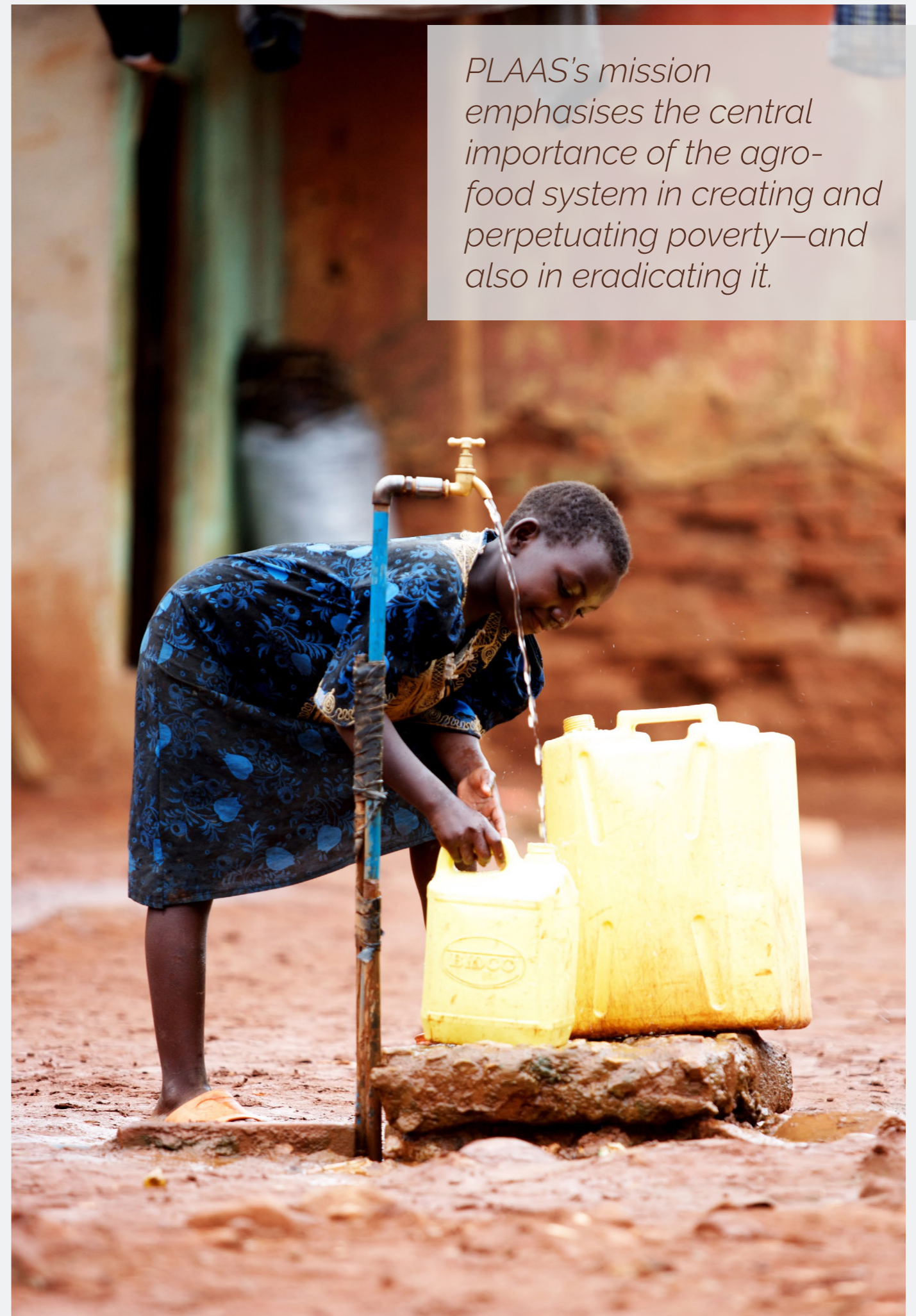
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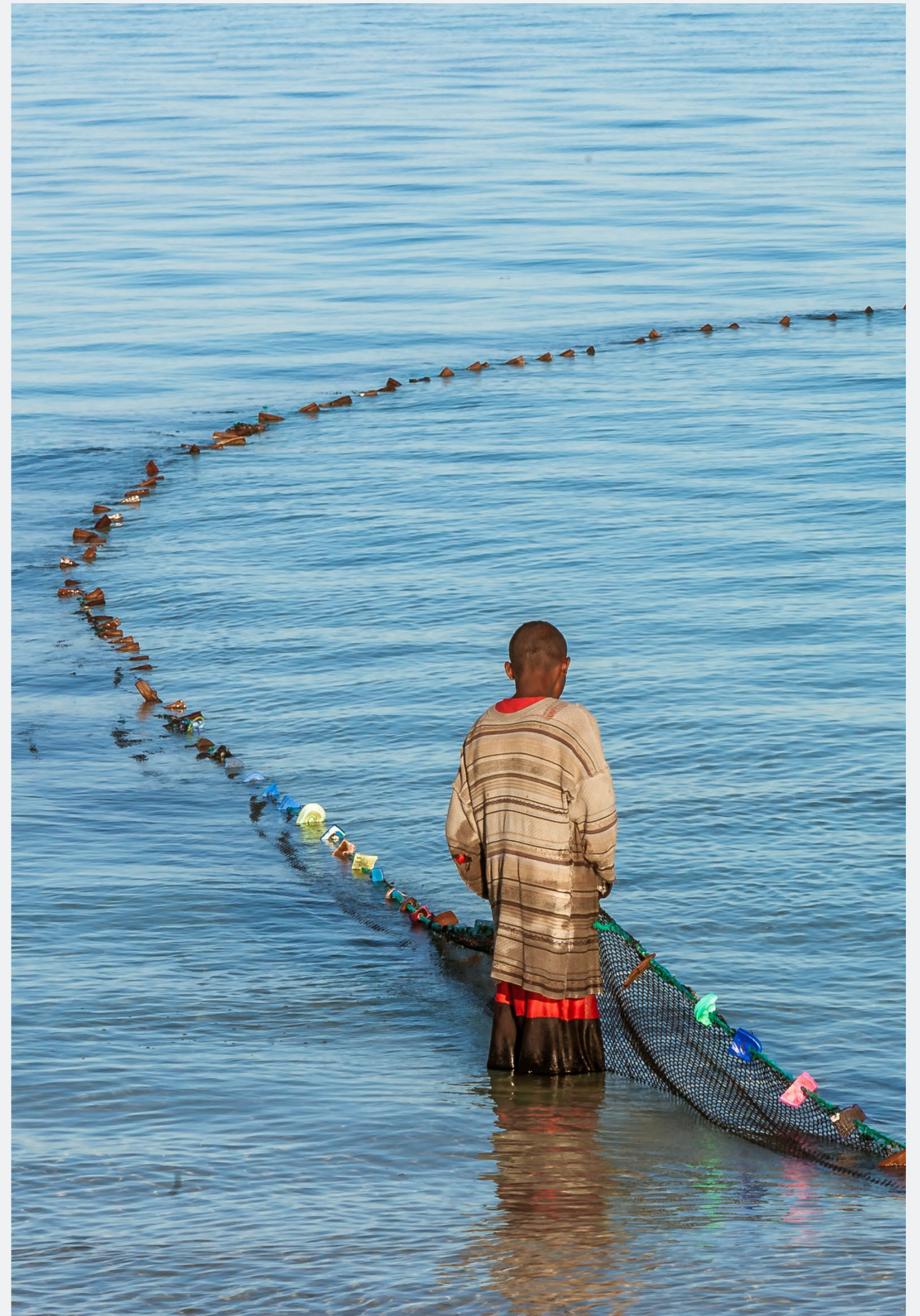
About PLAAS

PLAAS is an independent research institute situated within the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences at the University of the Western Cape.

We do research, policy engagement, teaching and training about chronic poverty, economic marginalisation and structural inequality in Southern Africa.

Our work concentrates on the role of land, agriculture, and natural resources in the livelihoods of marginalised and vulnerable people. At PLAAS we endeavour to support social justice, foster inclusive growth and nourish informed and democratic policy debate in Southern Africa.

PLAAS's research covers diverse areas, ranging from land and tenure reform, land investment and agro-food restructuring, fisheries and ecosystem management, to social protection and informal self-employment. In all this work, our key focus is on the causes and dynamics of inequality and structural poverty, on the economic and social agency of poor and marginalised people, and on the implications of these insights for inclusive growth and pro-poor policies. PLAAS is also home to the DST/NRF Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies.



Director's Report

In many ways, 2019 seemed to be a year of the gathering storm. Almost every aspect of our world was caught up in a spiral of increasing conflict and intensity.

Here in South Africa, the political tensions around 'Expropriation without Compensation' abated somewhat after the general election. But the underlying difficulties that beset land and agrarian reform (and indeed, any coherent idea about how to achieve economic stability and inclusive growth) remained unresolved. And all over the continent conflict over access to land, over large-scale land-based investments and about 'resource grabs' of various kinds heated up, pitting powerful mining and agribusiness corporations against ordinary citizens, local communities, and members of poor and marginalised populations seeking to defend their livelihoods and futures.

These conflicts were inextricably entangled with the steadily intensifying politics of climate and ecosystem change. In the past year, in fact, those very terms were themselves in question, as the discourse around climate change and environmental sustainability shifted into a much more urgent concern with the climate crisis and ecosystem collapse. The publication of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's 1.5°C Report, the rise to global prominence of Greta Thunberg and #ExtinctionRebellion, and the media attention to the 2019 wave of forest fires in the Amazon, all mark a qualitative shift in a global concern over the impact of human material civilisation on this planet.

These concerns intersect directly with the politics of land, resource access and agriculture. First, they are directly concerned with questions of land use and land management. Secondly, because of the enormous environmental externalities of modern industrial agriculture. And thirdly, many mainstream proposals for climate change adaptation or abatement may themselves result in adverse distributional impacts on landless and marginalised populations.

Most worrying, however, was the deep political crisis that beset the political and institutional arrangements of global governance. All over the world, right-wing, nationalist and ethno-populist politicians continued their advance, disrupting and undermining the institutions of global and transnational governance on which we rely to manage ecosystem change and equitable development. This has often gone hand-in-hand with an explicitly anti-scientific, anti-modernist agenda, putting into question the very legitimacy of scientifically-based policy advice.

In such times rational policy deliberation is more important than ever and increasingly under attack. The naïve assumptions underpinning the Blairite push for 'evidence-based policymaking', positivistic 'fact-checking' and 'neutral' research messaging, do not provide useful guides for action in this highly politicised world. Interventions require more than 'speaking truth to power.' We are always-already in the thick of political contention, with our claims to knowledge thrown into doubt and our bona fides in question. Research institutes such as PLAAS have to be canny and resourceful to get our messages across—

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and, indeed, to survive at all. Much depends on the subtlety and appropriateness of our strategies, on our personal and organisational resilience—and the ability of the universities we are based within to offer effective and reliable support.

Within this challenging context, we had a successful 2019, contributing effectively to the University of the Western Cape (UWC)'s mission as a research-led, community-oriented and engaged university. We continued to make contributions to research and policy advice directed at resolving burning issues around the land question. We worked with politicians, policymakers, media organisations and other stakeholders to help transform divisive contention into constructive policy deliberation. Here, I need to make special mention of the Resolving the Land Question conference which we co-hosted with Rhodes University and the University of Fort Hare in February this year. The conference was held ahead of Prof. Ruth Hall's participation in the Presidential Advisory Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture. And, of the Future of Farm Workers in South Africa conference we co-hosted with the Women on Farms Project and the Centre of Excellence in Food Security at the year's end.

Outside the field of land and agriculture, we engaged with debates on marine resources management, introducing questions of social justice, human rights and equity into policy fields (e.g. 'Blue Economy discourse') dominated by corporate interests and technical managerialism. We made significant investments into scholarly networks on the continent, convening three high-profile international trainings—one in South Africa, one in Ghana, and one in Tanzania—as members of the Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa (NELGA). We also partnered with the Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) network and the Journal of Peasant Studies in an international writeshop in Beijing for young researchers from the global South. We worked hard to strengthen and maintain collaborative connections, not only with academics and scientists, but also with networks of civil society actors, NGOs and social movements across Southern Africa. We maintained a solid institutional publication profile and increased our intake of MPhil and PhD students. We revamped our website, and we were at last able to recruit an effective, communications officer, filling a post that has been empty since 2016.

More challenges and change are expected in 2020. This year, our founding director and SARChI chair, Prof. Ben Cousins retired, closing off 25 years of leadership and mentorship in our institute. We also bid goodbye to Ursula Arends, who joined PLAAS in 1999 and who has been our admin manager for more than sixteen years. Ben and Ursula's departures mark the end of an era. It will bring challenges and new opportunities for our collective leadership. We say goodbye to them both with fondness and pride, and look forward to continuing with the work they helped start.



Prof. Andries du Toit
PLAAS Director

Agriculture, Farming and Food Systems

In 2019, PLAAS researchers worked on interesting research projects which address key issues in relation to agriculture, farming and food systems. First, the much anticipated 'Elite Capture in Land Redistribution in South Africa' research project was completed and launched at an event on 3 December 2019. The project, led by Dr Farai Mtero and his team Katlego Ramantsima and Nkanyiso Gumede, focused on exposing how the distribution of farms tends to favour the elite (those with economic power, e.g. agribusinesses) ahead of the poor and marginalised groups (e.g. women, farm workers, and landless people). This project was funded by the Millennium Trust and Claude Leon Foundation.

Another project which reached its end this year, was the 'Land and Water Rights in Southern Africa: Entrenching Global and Regional Policy' project led by Dr Phillan Zamchiya. This four-year project (2016–2019) investigated the impacts of large-scale investments on land and water rights of local farmers in South Africa, Mozambique and Zambia. A key finding from this project shows how farmers' livelihoods are jeopardised by large-scale investments. Findings highlight regional patterns of widespread land dispossessions of local farmers without compensation for the loss of their land. Furthermore, women are the most affected by the loss of livelihood opportunities as a result of land dispossessions. Over the duration of the project, the research team collaborated with 42 civil society organisations and 2500 land users in Mozambique, South Africa and Zambia. The circulation of the research findings was supported by an extensive network of civil society organisations and grassroots movements involved in the project. This project was funded by the Austrian Development Agency (ADA).

Research on large-scale soybean production schemes in Zambia and Mozambique also drew to a close, and was led by Refiloe Joala. The research shows that outgrower schemes (contract farming) often do not benefit small-scale farmers. While partnerships with agribusinesses are seen as 'win-win' arrangements, the majority of small-scale farmers become trapped in debt due to the high costs of production and the rising debt from input credit facilities. The impacts of outgrower schemes are however, complex. While the participation of small-scale producers in soybean outgrower schemes enhance their opportunities to earn cash income, they are exposed to the high costs of production associated with capital-intensive forms of production.

A research team, led by Prof. Ben Cousins, explored the employment-intensive rural land reform in South Africa. The research team conducted intensive field work through four district municipalities in different parts of South Africa, and investigated the specific potential for employment generation in rural land reform. The team also examined specific commodity chains and the extent to which more can be created in the selected sectors.

Lastly, the Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) network, led by Cyriaque Hakizimana, continued to play its part in the teaching and training of young scholars on the African continent. From 13 to 17 May, YARA and PLAAS convened a theory workshop at the University of the Western Cape. The workshop gave young researchers across the continent the opportunity to engage with eminent scholars in agrarian studies, which included professors Issa Shivji, Ben Cousins, Ruth Hall and Kojo Amanor.

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Going forward, the team is kickstarting a new project funded by Open Society Foundation South Africa. The new project is a follow-up to the 'Elite capture in land redistribution in South Africa' project which was successfully completed in 2019. This is essentially a three-year project (2020–2022) which focuses on the framing of success in land reform. A key aspect of the project is inclusive dialogue whereby different role players in the land sector and broader society reflect and develop insights on different understandings of success. The main aim of the project is to develop a reasonable level of consensus on what constitutes success in South Africa's land reform. This will inform the development of an inclusive and politically progressive definition of success in land reform.

Also starting in 2020, is the 'Privatisation of Customary Land and Implications for Women's Land Tenure Security and Livelihoods in Southern Africa' project which is funded by the ADA. Dr Phillan Zamchiya and Refiloe Joala will conduct research in collaboration with key partners in four countries namely Zimbabwe, Mozambique, South Africa and Zambia. Women's land rights in these countries remain insecure while poverty rates are also high. The research team will work with rural women, policymakers and civil society organisations across the four countries to promote women's land rights based on policies that are anchored in local realities as opposed to normative perceptions of what the tenure system is. YARA will continue to create platforms for critical engagement bringing together eminent scholars and young researchers to discuss important land and agricultural issues in the contemporary world.



Elite Capture in Land Redistribution in South Africa

The exclusion of the poor in South Africa's land reform inspired PLAAS's 'Elite capture in land redistribution in South Africa' action-research project.

The elite capture research team conducted fieldwork during 2018 and 2019. Subsequently, the research team convened workshops to present research findings and inform public discussions with key partners in the land sector. The sustained public engagement activities culminated in the launch of the research report on 3 December 2019 where important discussions on elite capture, land corruptions and their wider policy implications took place.

Background

South Africa's land reform initially presented as a largely pro-poor programme, but in recent years became more biased towards the promotion of large-scale commercial farming models. Land reform beneficiary selection and targeting processes inherently promote well-off groups with the resources to engage in large-scale commercial farming. This is consistent with the broader policy vision of maintaining large-scale farms as a key component of South Africa's agrarian structure.

The inherent policy biases partly explain the under-representation of the poor in land reform. A key development is the prevalence of elite capture. Well-off groups exploit these policy biases in land reform to capture public resources through corrupt practices and malfeasance—which leaves the poor and marginalised excluded from being able to benefit from land reform. The concentration of public resources in the hands of a few elites is a key concern in the land sector and broader society.

Despite this, public discourse has largely centred on the issue of expropriation without compensation. Given the

slow pace of land reform and the emotive nature of the land question, broader society has been preoccupied with exploring appropriate mechanisms for acquiring more land. In the process, strategic questions with equally important implications for the quality of land reform outcomes have received less attention.

PLAAS researchers sought to foreground key questions in relation to the overall trajectory of South Africa's land reform. These questions include issues concerning who should benefit from land reform in South Africa, what are the processes of beneficiary selection and targeting, and what forms of production support have been available to land reform beneficiaries?

When considering the success of land reform, it is hard to miss the exclusion of the poor alongside the prevalence of elite capture. Currently, economic performance is a measure of success in whether land reform is achieving its goal. But against this measure, improvement in livelihoods, household welfare, identity, belonging and citizenship have often been neglected.

What lies ahead?

PLAAS developed a three-year (2020-2022) research and dialogue project entitled 'Equitable access to land for social justice' which focuses on the different understandings of success in land reform. The project prioritises public dialogue within the land sector to generate inclusive measures of success in land reform. This will enable the development of a politically progressive definition of success in land reform—which includes other equally important measures of success in addition to economic performance. Broad and inclusive criteria for understanding success will feed into the development of monitoring and evaluation mechanisms and enhance land reform governance in South Africa.



The 'Elite capture in land redistribution in South Africa' project research team at the report's launch on 3 December 2019. From left: Nkanyiso Gumede, Dr Farai Mtero, Prof. Ben Cousins (project expert advisor) and Katlego Ramantsima.

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Marine Resources and Fisheries

In 2019, fisheries research kicked off with the publication of 'Fisheries crime, human rights and small-scale fisheries in South Africa: A case of bigger fish to fry' in the leading journal of ocean policy studies, *Marine Policy*. The paper focused on situating why small-scale fishers engage in poaching activities as a form of protest against the fisheries rights' allocation process. It also explored the notion of Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported (IUU) fishing—a fisheries management compliance tool—and how it often sees small-scale fisheries as illegal, not regulated, and not compliant in reporting their catches. PLAAS's work unpacks the notion of IUU fishing and small-scale fisheries, understands why small-scale fishers engage in criminal livelihoods, and foregrounds the gendered dynamics of those engaging in illegal fishing.

Blue justice, a call for research, policy engagement and activism brings together social justice tools such as the voluntary guidelines for small-scale fisheries (SSF), the voluntary guidelines on the responsible governance of tenure of land, fisheries and forests in the context of national food security known as the VGGT, and the right to food in the blue economy. PLAAS continued to influence, inform the debate, research, and engage nationally, regionally and internationally on blue justice—this work makes linkages with how fisheries management tools like marine protected areas disenfranchise small-scale fishers from land, livelihoods, and access.

PLAAS also contributed to the social science research manifesto as part of an X-keynote address at the Centre for Maritime Research (MARE)'s People and Sea conference held in Amsterdam. Furthermore, we continue to work on inland fisheries research by creating institutions, understanding the value chains and

contributing to policy engagement in drafting inland fisheries policy.

PLAAS made a significant contribution to scholarships in marine social science research with eight PhD scholars working on cross-cutting themes such as food security, power, gender, governance, informal trade, and conservation—mainly through the lenses of small-scale fisheries. Research sites are in Malawi, Tanzania, Zimbabwe and South Africa. Scholars like Ashley Naidoo (chief director of Oceans and Coastal Research at the National Department of Environmental Affairs) is finalising his PhD for submission contributing to understanding ocean governance policy making. Joseph Ginindza (researcher to Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Environment, Forestry and Fisheries) is looking at the place and space threatened by elite capture, digitalisation of small-scale fisheries resources and how it threatens local food security in South Africa. Rose Sallema Mtui (member of the National Environment Management Council in Tanzania) is finding that the oil and gas pipelines destroyed small-scale fishing spots. Her research also engages with "blue grabbing" narratives, and discovered there is little job creation and benefits from the hype of the blue economy. Wilson Mhlanga (lecturer at Bindura University of Science Education) is investigating fisheries governance, gender, and value chains in the kapenta fisheries in Zimbabwe. Chikondi Pasani-Manyingwa (principal fisheries officer and gender specialist at Malawi's Department of Fisheries) is looking at the participation of women in fish value chains and in value chain governance. Malebo Moepi (fishers officer at AU-IBAR, Nairobi) is studying informal cross-border fish trade in Southern Africa focusing on South Africa and Malawi. Melvin Swarts (project coordinator in the Department of Agriculture

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and Rural Development) is studying the value and sustainability of protected area expansion in Namaqualand. Tracey Lee Dennis is using historical perspectives to inform fisheries policy as the focus of her PhD.

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The project 'Mapping marine resource conflicts across sub-Saharan Africa: patterns, drivers and solutions for coastal communities (MARICA)' was conducted in Ghana, Kenya, and South Africa. The project piloted survey tools and was funded by the Research Council of Norway.

FishMOB, a bilateral project between the Technology Innovation Agency and the Tanzanian Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH) scanned the South African and Tanzanian mobile phone technology markets. Lake Victoria in Mwanza, Tanzania was chosen as the pilot site to test the FishMOB application and interface with the Tanzanian Fisheries Department.

Lastly, inroads had been made on creating institutional arrangements and market value chains supported by the Water Research Commission.



Blue Justice Research

The blue economy is a concept used to mainstream the economically (oil, gas, seabed mining, and large-scale aquaculture) and environmentally (marine protected areas, marine spatial planning, and tourism) sustainable development of ocean spaces. It is about big capital and investments in extractive industries that require highly skilled engineers and scientists with technological interventions to untap the resources of the oceans for profit. The Sustainable Blue Economy Conference (SBEC) held in Nairobi, Kenya from 26 to 28 November 2018, which was attended by PLAAS's Prof. Moenieba Isaacs, framed the new development agenda strategy for Africa with a strong focus on the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to drive economic growth, sustainability and social prosperity. There was however, no mention of small-scale fisheries in the final statement.

What does this mean for the more than 5.2 million small-scale fishers who also represent 90% of the fishers in Africa? These fishers contribute to the food security of more than 200 million people, and help maintain livelihoods, mitigate poverty alleviation, and sustain ecosystems. Studies show fishers' livelihoods are threatened by extractive industries, the elite and adventure tourism, marine protected areas and marine spatial planning; which are framed in the blue and green grabbing narratives going back to the barriers of fortress conservation. This leads to accumulation through conservation, which is also a form of spatial apartheid for small-scale fishers across the continent. What tools do these fishers have to assert their right to tenure, food, access, and livelihoods?

The notion of blue justice is rooted in social justice for small-scale fisheries in the blue economy. Currently, the ocean space is becoming a site of struggle for vulnerable coastal communities, where they are forced off their land, driven away from their food and livelihoods in order to make space for extractive resources, large-scale aquaculture production, and marine protected areas. The Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO)'s Small-Scale Fisheries Guidelines can be used as social justice tools for social movements, but they are unable to move beyond advocating for rights and raising awareness, as many governments failed to adopt the guidelines as part of their national policies. Using social justice tools is a necessary step in the blue justice trajectory

for small-scale fisheries (SSF), but it is not sufficient. A deeper understanding of the blue, green, ocean, coastal, resource and rights grabbing narratives from SSF—be it in the name of conservation or for the economy—is needed.

In many ways, blue justice is about the procedural and distributive justice for SSF. A strong governance component is needed to create and enable a legislative environment to engage meaningfully, but also to hold the state accountable for serious tenure and access rights violations, and also to challenge their exclusion and marginalisation. These governance spaces are often unequal and largely influenced by the broader political and economic positions and decisions and are very difficult to delink from the environment wherein small-scale fishers operate.

The overarching theoretical framing for blue justice is a political ecological one to help us understand who owns the tenure system, how it is linked to the social and economic system of production, what are the inequities in the rights allocation system and the production system, who benefits from this system and how does this impact the governance and sustainability of the resource?

Process flow of developing the concept of blue justice for small-scale fisheries: 2018–2019

1. Prof. Moenieba Isaacs presented a paper at the third World Small-Scale Fisheries Congress (WSFC) hosted by Too Big To Ignore (the global partnership for small-scale fisheries research) in Thailand in 2018. There, she raised concerns about the FAO's side-lining of key international instruments such as the SSF guidelines, right to food, and governance of tenure—all framed with a strong social justice narrative to restore the rights to access and tenure for marginalised, vulnerable, poor and often excluded SSF.
2. Prof. Isaacs presented another paper at the Sustainable Blue Economy Conference hosted by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) Canada, held in Nairobi, Kenya, from 26 to 28 November 2018. The main goal of the event was to promote the blue economy, blue bonds, and blue investments as the next development strategy for

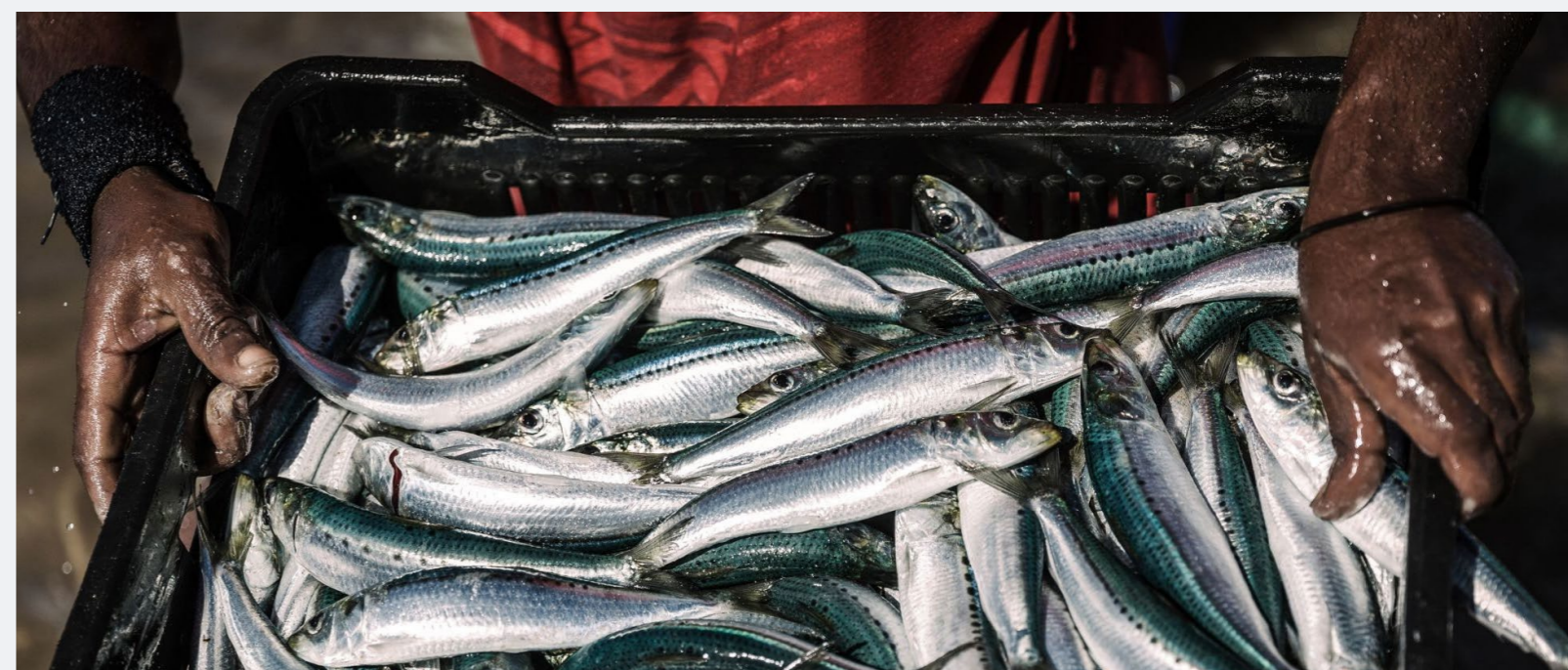
African nations. Isaacs framed the notion of blue justice against the concept of the blue economy and SDGs, using the human rights narratives which exclude and marginalise women in small-scale fisheries. Small-scale fishers often compete in the same space as fortress conservation promoters, extractive mining, shipping, large-scale aquaculture, and spatial planning.

3. The blue justice for small-scale fisheries campaign gained momentum after Isaac's presentation at the WSFC held in Thailand in 2018—with commitments from researchers and civil society movements all over the world. Too Big To Ignore (TBTI) is attempting to raise the profile of SSF. TBTI is also raising awareness on the contribution of SSF, their vulnerability and marginalisation by the blue economy development agenda. Now there is an acknowledgement that more needs to be done to protect SSF rights and instil the sense of social justice in the blue growth/blue economy agenda. TBTI has already registered this as a voluntary commitment to the 2020 UN Ocean Conference, and can thus use this platform to help bring awareness on the issue.
4. In a special PLAAS seminar held on 25 January 2019 at PLAAS/UWC, Prof. Isaacs attempted to promote and clarify the concept and understanding of blue justice for small-scale fisheries with fellow "blue justice for small-scale fishers" researchers Svein Jentoft, Ratana Chuenpagdee, and Naseegh Jaffer. The speakers unpacked to what extent blue growth initiatives are challenging the existing social structures, power relations, access, and rights of small-scale fishers engaging in livelihoods activities in the same ocean space? They also looked at who benefits from the blue growth agenda.
5. In her address during the "X-Keynote panel 1: Fisheries world-wide" at the MARE conference in Amsterdam held on 26 June 2019, Prof. Isaacs raised the issue that blue justice is contesting the ocean, coastal and lakes and protected spaces. Blue justice is about creating

an enabling environment for small-scale fishers to engage meaningfully and to challenge their exclusion and marginalisation based on the neo-liberalisation of oceans, the promotion of elite tourism, fortress-conservation, and jobs. It is also a call for researchers to form collaborations with civil society movements, NGOs, and practitioners to challenge these spaces and narratives.

There were also three special panels held on blue justice and expanding the notion thereof.

- The African expert meeting on 'Operationalising a human rights-based approach to sustainable fisheries and aquaculture sectors in the African region' was held from 31 July to 1 August 2019 in Nairobi, Kenya. The event was organised by the Danish Institute for Human Rights in collaboration with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, the Network of African National Human Rights Institutions and the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency.
- The notion of blue justice also became clearer during a workshop titled 'Blue Economy in the Western Indian Ocean Region' at the Centre for Alternative Research and Studies' 5th School of Ecology in Mauritius held on 4 October 2019. Prof. Isaacs presented a paper on the notion of blue justice for small-scale fisheries in the crisis narratives of conservation, elite and adventure tourism, and how the school formed part of a protest in defending the beach as tourism and property development in Mauritius leaves very little beach space for locals.
- At a special seminar held on 21 November 2019 hosted by PLAAS, presenters debated current struggles and challenges facing small-scale fisheries in and outside the Blue Economy from local, regional and global levels. Presenters also addressed the politics, economics, transformation, conservation, and technology perspectives of South Africa's blue economy strategy, Operation Phakisa.



Natural Resource Management

Southern Africa, like the rest of the world, continues to be heavily impacted by the declining capacity of natural resources—resources necessary to provide for viable national and local economies and livelihoods.

PLAAS's research sets out to highlight and deal with this issue. Reasons for the decline in natural resource capacity include unequal access rights, climatic factors, unsustainable utilisation patterns, and poor natural resource management systems. These problems cut across all natural resources, notably aquatic systems (marine and inland), water, forests, grass, and land-based livelihoods (agriculture).

The negative impacts of climate change, inequitable rights, neoliberalism, and globalisation are affecting the poor especially. There is a need for a composite and holistic resource management approach—as humans will continue to depend on these natural resources.

Prof. Mafaniso Hara leads a project on the implementation of climate change adaptation measures in fisheries and aquaculture. This project is titled "Implementation of Selected Climate Change Adaptation Measures in Fishery and Aquaculture in South Africa" and is funded by the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). This project aims to assist South African climate change adaptation strategies tailored to coastal communities, in particular small-scale fishing communities and fish workers. The overall outcome of the project is improved country capacity to develop and implement climate change adaptation plans. There is also a great focus on promoting socio-economic development, with specific attention to poverty

reduction and food security in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors. The first component to this project was conducting workshops in jewellery and soap making to coastal women. The second component was piloting the use of anchovy for human consumption as adaptation strategies.

Another project of which Prof. Hara forms part is MARICA (Mapping Marine Resource Conflicts Across Africa: Patterns, Drivers and Solutions for Coastal Communities). MARICA aims to implement the first systematic, multi-scale assessment of spatial patterns and key drivers of marine resource conflicts across sub-Saharan Africa (in Ghana, Kenya and South Africa). The research explores whether the frequency of conflict is related to key contextual variables like resource condition, resource dependence, and population density. We also hypothesise that conflict can be a catalyst or inflection point for positive change in resource management. Utilising both quantitative and qualitative approaches, MARICA works with stakeholders to determine how conflicts have been managed in different contexts. In the end, the aim is to create a roadmap for understanding which management tools may be most useful for dealing with conflicts in different contexts. The project was initiated with a planning workshop in Oslo, Norway in February 2019 with the piloting of the questionnaires in South Africa towards the end of the year. The real fieldwork will only start in 2020.

Public storage dams were constructed for the provision of industrial, domestic and irrigation water. Over time, they have found other uses such as small-scale fishing, recreational fishing, water sports, and tourism. In this context, public dams provide great potential for the livelihoods and economic opportunities for rural and marginalised communities living near dams. The project titled

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"Towards Enhancing Contributions of Inland Fisheries to Rural Livelihoods: An Empirical Assessment of Freshwater Fish Stocks, Fisheries Potential, Market Value Chains, Governance and Co-Management Arrangements" continued into its third year in 2019. The project investigates ways of doing 'stock assessment' on public dams, 'market value chains' that exist or can be promoted on public dams, and the 'institutional arrangements' for sustainable utilisation of public dams. Key to the outcomes of this project are ways and means of formalising the small-scale fishing sector on public dams, and also how to integrate poor rural communities into recreational fishing and tourism value chains from which they are currently excluded due to historical reasons.

Prof. Hara is also a member of the All-Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance. The alliance is between Europe, North America, Brazil and South Africa. Its goal is to define a new strategic direction and political ambitions that could deliver on a healthy Atlantic Ocean and a just transition to a healthy ocean and a climate-neutral planet.



Teaching Programme

The year 2019 was a busy year for the Teaching Programme. We hosted various workshops under the teaching and training portfolios. PLAAS offers three postgraduate programmes, namely Postgraduate (PG) Diploma, MPhil and PhD. Over the years, we have registered 450 students across our programmes. We are pleased that 248 graduated, thereby accounting for an output rate of over 50%. Our intake for 2019 comprised 18 PG Diploma, four MPhil, and four PhD students. We graduated 19 students: 17 PG Diploma, one MPhil, and one PhD. We boast with five full internationally recognised professors, four are NRF-rated, and one is a DST/NRF Research Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies. The rest of the teaching staff are two senior researchers.

Teaching and Learning Approaches

Our structured flagship programme, the PG Diploma, steadily continues with a cohort of 18 students for 2019. The structure of the programme is that students have to attend two block teaching sessions of three weeks each. We hosted the 2019 cohort from 25 February to 15 March, and from 15 July to 2 August respectively. To enrich their learning experiences, PLAAS provided academic writing workshops, library training, and Turnitin training. Students also undertook a fieldtrip to the Philippi Horticultural Area, where they were exposed to small-scale and large-scale commercial farming. Our students also had the opportunity to meet the Austrian Ambassador, H.E. Dr Johann Brieger, where they engaged on various land reform issues.

Research Weeks

PLAAS hosted two research block sessions for our research students to guide them through the research process. The first research block was coordinated by Prof. Andries du Toit, from 1 to 5 April 2019. The workshop focused on assisting the new intake of students to formulate their topic, and to present their research questions. The second research block was coordinated by Prof. Ruth Hall,

from 29 July to 2 August 2019. The key focus was on research design and research methodology that benefitted all students at various levels of their research. The aim of the research block sessions is to create a conducive learning environment for our research students by providing a space for them to engage with relevant learning materials, peers, and supervisors. We were privileged to have two of our senior PhD students serving as guest lecturers to our PG Diploma students.

Additional Training

We hosted the Namibian Landless People's Movement (LPM) Learning Excursion for a second year from 16 to 19 September 2019. A delegation of 20 members attended the excursion. The programme consisted mainly of PLAAS staff and representatives from the Institute for Social Development and the Political Studies department at UWC. We also collaborated with the Tshisimani School of Activists and TCOE/Inyanda for a fieldtrip to the Robertson farming area.

Scholarships

PLAAS has secured funding through the German Exchange Academic Service (DAAD), as a host institution for a period of three years effective from 2020-2022. The scholarship is offered under the 'Strengthening Capacities for Land Governance in Africa', within the Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa (NELGA). We are awarded a maximum intake of 6 scholarships annually under our Master's and Doctoral programmes. We are aware that scholarship support is crucial for our scholars, especially in-region students, as funding supports fees, travel, living allowances and research fees.

DAAD has provided scholarships for one MPhil and two PhD students. All students have progressed well and working closely with their respective supervisors.

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PLAAS teaching programme students and lecturers.

Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa

The African Union, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa's African Land Policy Centre and the African Development Bank jointly initiated the Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa (NELGA). Among its objectives is to strengthen the training and curriculum development on land governance in Africa, including policymakers and professionals.

The programme's co-coordinators Profs. Moenieba Isaacs and Ruth Hall, successfully developed a curriculum for the short course on the 'Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa'. This was achieved in collaboration with partner institutions within the NELGA network through a needs-assessment and curriculum development process. A generic module guide was developed and adapted to focus on region-specific needs. The module guide outlined the theoretical, conceptual and empirical learning outcomes for the course. It further provided sets of required readings for each lecture. The curriculum consists of 13 lecture sessions, including a fieldtrip, over five days.

In line with the University of the Western Cape (UWC)'s strategic initiative to strengthen international partnerships with institutions on the continent, PLAAS entered into two memorandum of understanding agreements with Ardhi University in Tanzania, and the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Ghana. Through this short course, PLAAS will expand its university networks with other universities within the NELGA network. PLAAS became a NELGA Technical Node in October 2019 at an event which was celebrated with a 'Colloquium on the Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa'.

Short Course Training Offerings

In 2019, PLAAS successfully completed the pilot phase of the NELGA short course training, delivering three short courses in the South, East, and West African regions. Applications received over the three courses totalled to 1350 applications, indicating a strong interest and need for the training across the

continent. We have trained 95 land practitioners and policymakers from 26 African countries within the academic, government, private and civil society sectors. Of this number, 42% are female and 58% male.

Our selection criteria of participants focus on those who can make the most impact or bring about the most change in land governance in their respective countries, as well as strong female representation. First consideration is given to those who hold an undergraduate degree, but is not limited to it. In addition to this, applicants are requested to provide evidence of their knowledge on land governance. Our short-listed candidates are verified by the respective partner institutions in those regions.

Course Content

The key themes and concepts that the short course covers are adapted to focus on region-specific case studies, but also to include case studies of other regions. The themes include:

- Pre-colonial and colonial histories in Africa
- Statutory versus customary tenure in Africa
- Land policy and land law in Africa
- Land administration in the rural and urban context in Africa
- Land corruption in Africa
- Natural resource access and management in Africa
- Large-scale acquisitions, gender and class in Africa
- Policy responses and African and global guidelines

Assessment

As part of the UWC endorsement as a continuing education course, participants are awarded a Certificate of Attendance if they attend at least 80% of the sessions and participate in 50% of all in-class assignments. This is awarded at a certificate ceremony at the end of the short course.



Participants and lecturers of the 'Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa' short course held in Accra, Ghana from 12–16 August 2019.

A Certificate of Competence is issued to participants upon completion of all assessments comprising of a pre-contact assignment, site report, learning portfolio in the form of a presentation and a post-contact assignment. Of the 95 participants, 93 received a Certificate of Competence.

For the Certificate of Competence, participants had to partake in and submit the following:

- Pre-contact assignment: An essay on the land governance in their context
- A site visit report of the fieldtrip
- A learning portfolio on land governance in their own country, comprising of:
 - o An individual presentation of the learning portfolio—a collation of learnings from the course as a whole and application to the country or local context of the candidate, and
 - o A reflective country report on land governance based on the topics covered in the short course

The learning portfolio is moderated by the partner institution and submitted to UWC's structures for final approval and awarding of Certificate of Competence.



Participants of the 'Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa' short course held in Zanzibar, Tanzania from 11–15 February 2019.

Fieldtrips

The fieldtrip is a critical part of the short course to provide practical insights to land governance issues at hand. In South Africa, participants went to Buffeljagsbaai, a rural area in the Southern Cape, to illustrate to the participants the key issues that were discussed about land governance and the interconnections between access and usage rights to land and marine resources. We received some great feedback on the fieldtrip and participants were able to link the theory to reality.

In Tanzania, participants visited the Paje Village, a coastal village on the South East Coast of Zanzibar. In this village seaweed farming is a historical income generating activity. Locals have farmed seaweed close to their shore for a long period of time. However, in recent years, this area became suitable for water tourism including water sports such as kitesurfing, water biking and water skiing. In addition, the beaches are also very good, which attracted tourist hotels. These hotels claimed some of the areas where seaweed farming is predominant, thus affecting local people.

In Ghana, participants visited the Keta Lagoon in the Ghanaian Volta Region, where locals operate small-scale artisanal salt mining. This trip aimed to provide participants with first-hand experience of access to and control of natural resources and its utilisation and management—as well as the impact of foreign investment on the locals' ability to sustain their livelihoods.

Evaluations of the Short Course

Participants were requested to complete an evaluation at the end of the training. The general feedback received yielded positive results indicating that participants found the content of the short course to be above average and excellent. This is an indication that we are presenting the course according to the knowledge gap needing to be addressed.

Conference on Land Policy in Africa

To conclude our pilot phase, PLAAS formed part of the panel for the 'Conference on Land Policy in Africa (CLPA)' in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire from 25–29 November 2019. We showcased our training at the masterclass for NELGA nodes, and co-hosted a side event with the ALPC on the 'Capacity Development of Land Professionals in Africa: Reflections of the Pilot Short-term Accredited Course in the Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa'.



Profs. Dzodzi Tsikata, Ruth Hall and Moenieba Isaacs at the 'Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa' short course held in Accra, Ghana from 12–16 August 2019.

Lecturers

PLAAS commissioned leading scholars across the continent to present various lecture sessions alongside the co-coordinators Profs. Moenieba Isaacs and Ruth Hall, and other PLAAS staff members. The table below presents the various scholars and their sessions.

FIRST SHORT COURSE SOUTH AFRICA		SECOND SHORT COURSE ZANZIBAR		THIRD SHORT COURSE GHANA	
GUEST LECTURER	LECTURE SESSION/S	GUEST LECTURER	LECTURE SESSION/S	GUEST LECTURER	LECTURE SESSION/S
Dr Liz Alden Wily , Fellow of the Van Vollenhoven Institute in the Leiden School of Law, The Netherlands, a Fellow of Katiba Institute, Kenya, a co-convenor and operator of Land Mark	Statutory vs Customary Tenure in Africa Land Policy and Law in West Africa	Prof. Issa Shivji , Julius Nyerere Research Chair in Pan African Studies, University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania	Pre-Colonial and Colonial Histories of Customary and Statutory Land Tenure in Africa An Introduction to the Political Economy of Land in Africa Land Reform Law and Policy in East Africa	Prof. Kojo Amanor , Institute for African Studies, University of Ghana	Pre-Colonial Histories of Customary and Statutory Land Tenure in Africa
Dr Agnes Mwasumbi , Department of Land Management & Valuation, Ardhi University	Land Administration in Context of Rural Africa	Dr Agnes Mwasumbi , Department of Land Management & Valuation, Ardhi University	Rural Land Administration in Africa Urban Land Administration in Africa	Prof. Dzodzi Tsikata , Institute for African Studies, University of Ghana	An Introduction to the Political Economy of Land in Africa Women's Land Rights in Africa
Mr Sam Mwando , Land & Property Sciences Department, Namibia University of Technology	Urban Land Governance and Corruption in Africa	Mr Sam Mwando , Land & Property Sciences Department, Namibia University of Technology	Urban Land Governance and Corruption in Africa	Dr Yao Graham , Third World Network, Ghana	Political Economy of Extractive Industries in West Africa
Ms Ase Christensen , Land & Property Sciences Department, Namibia University of Technology	Land Administration in Urban Context in Africa	Prof. John Bugri , Land Economy Department, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology	Land Reform Law and Policy in West Africa	Prof. Mamadou Goïta , University of Bamako, Mali	Land Reform Law, Policy and Governance in West Africa Large-Scale Acquisitions in Africa Smallholder agriculture and land governance
				Prof. John Bugri , Land Economy Department, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology	Rural and Urban Land Administration in Africa

SARChI Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies

Prof. Ben Cousins held this chair until the end of 2019, when he retired. Over the year he supervised five doctoral and three Master's students, and, together with his students, continued to undertake research and advocacy in relation to small-scale agriculture, agrarian restructuring and land tenure reform in South Africa. They undertook rigorous field-based research aimed to produce theoretically informed and empirically grounded insights into complex and dynamic social realities. In addition, they explored the policy implications of research findings, in order to develop recommendations for policymakers and programme managers from government, civil society and the private sector.

Policy engagement

The 'land question' continued to loom large in public debates in 2019, and the SARChI Chair and Prof. Ruth Hall focused on these and related questions in presentations, op-eds and policy briefs. Working together with researchers from the University of Fort Hare and Rhodes University, they convened a large national conference on land redistribution, and Prof. Cousins co-authored a policy brief on its outcomes. He also published five op-eds and blogs, presented six briefings for diplomatic staff and private sector groupings, and was interviewed by the media on 13 occasions. He made a total of nine presentations in seminars, workshops, colloquia and conferences, including two keynote addresses.

Projects and outputs

Published outputs in 2019 included two journal articles, a book version of a special issue of *Globalisations* that was first published in 2018, and a PLAAS policy brief.

Prof. Cousins also co-convened a research network on 'Governing the Nexus in Southern Africa', focused on understanding politics, institutional dynamics and challenges at the intersection of land, water and environmental governance in southern African contexts. Partners were the Institute for Development Studies at the University of Sussex, UK and the African Centre for Technology Studies in Kenya.

He also acted as team coordinator for a research project on 'Employment-intensive land reform in rural South Africa: policies, programs and capacities', commissioned by Treasury and the European Union. This commenced in 2019 and will conclude in 2020.

In 2019 one of Prof. Cousins' PhD students, Brittany Bunce, graduated with glowing comments from her examiners: one described her thesis as 'brilliantly put together', and a second as 'coherently argued to a very high level throughout'. Her research focused on joint ventures in large-scale dairy farming operations in the former Ciskei area of the Eastern Cape.

Highlights of the first 10 years of the SARChI Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, University of the Western Cape (2010–2019)

2010

Established a research group on 'agrarian change, land reform and poverty reduction' comprising six PhD students, six Master's students and one post-doctoral researcher

Initiated longitudinal study of small-scale farmers on Tugela Ferry Irrigation Scheme, Msinga, KwaZulu-Natal

Awards

Deputy Vice Chancellor's 2010 prize for best edited volume by a UWC staff member

Best researcher award for 2010, Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

2011

Visiting Fellow of the Stellenbosch Institute of Advanced Study (STIAS); co-ordinated a working group composed of four distinguished global scholars (Henry Bernstein, Pauline Peters, James Ferguson and Bridget O'Laughlin)

Hosted colloquium on 'Land reform, agrarian change and rural poverty in the Southern African region' at STIAS, with Visiting Fellows and other scholars

Co-hosted workshop for 'New researchers in land and agrarian studies' (with SARChI Chair in Land and Democracy at the University of Cape Town, Prof. Lungisile Ntsebeza)

Co-edited special issue of *Journal of Peasant Studies* 38(5) on 'Outcomes of post-2000 Fast Track Land Reform in Zimbabwe' (with Cliffe, Alexander and Gaidzwana)

2012

Co-hosted research workshop on 'Smallholder farming and poverty reduction' (with Department of Science and Technology and Human Sciences Research Council)

Co-hosted research workshop on 'Small-scale agriculture in KwaZulu-Natal' (with Mdukatshani Rural Development Programme)

2013

Co-hosted international conference on 'Land Divided: Land and society in South Africa in 2013 in comparative perspective', (with Centre for Law and Society, UCT and Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Stellenbosch)

2013

Co-edited special issue of *Journal of Agrarian Change*, 13(1) on 'Agrarian Change, Rural Poverty and Land Reform in South Africa since 1994', (with Bernstein, O'Laughlin and Peters)

Co-authored or co-edited three books

Land reform and Livelihoods. Trajectories of change in Limpopo Province, South Africa (with Michael Aliber, Tshililo Manenzhe, Themba Maluleke, Gaynor Paradza)

In the Shadow of Policy. Everyday Practices in South Africa's Land and Agrarian Reform (with Paul Hebinck)

Socio-Economic Rights in South Africa. Symbols or Substance (with Malcolm Langford, Jackie Dugard, Tshepo Madlingozi)

Awards

Inaugural Elinor Ostrom Award (senior scholar category), International Association for the Study of the Commons

2014

Co-organised a series of civil society position papers for National Land Tenure Summit (with Land and Accountability Research Center, University of Cape Town)

Co-hosted workshop on 'Action-Dialogue: opportunities, constraints and innovative approaches in small-scale agriculture in South Africa' (with Mandela Initiative on overcoming poverty and inequality)

Co-founded BRICS Initiative in Critical Agrarian Studies (with scholars from South Africa, China, Brazil and the Netherlands)

2015

Co-edited *Land Divided, Land Restored. Land Reform in South Africa for the 21st Century* (with Cheryl Walker)

Expert witness in a challenge to the constitutionality of the Restitution of Land Rights Amendment Act of 2014

Co-hosted 'Hobeni Consultation on communal area agriculture (with Donald Woods Foundation and Mandela Initiative on poverty and inequality)

Awards

Agriculturalist of the Year (Agricultural Writer's Association of South Africa)

2016

Co-hosted conference on 'Rethinking agriculture in South Africa. Constraints and opportunities: key lessons for policy makers' (with Centre of Excellence on Food Security and Mandela Initiative for overcoming poverty and inequality)

2016

Commissioned a series of research reports for the High-Level Panel of Parliament on key post-apartheid legislation

Commissioned paper on land reform for Nelson Mandela Foundation, Centre for the Advancement of the South African Constitution and Hanns Seidel Foundation

Co-ordinated 'Rural job creation' research project within Mandela Initiative for overcoming poverty and inequality

2017

Co-edited *Untitled. Securing Land Tenure in Urban and Rural South Africa* (with Donna Hornby, Rosalie Kingwill, Lauren Royston), UKZN Press

Drafted proposed law on national framework law on land reform in South Africa, for High Level Panel of Parliament on key post-apartheid legislation (with Ruth Hall)

2018

Co-edited special issue of *Globalisations* 15(1) on 'BRICS, Middle-income countries (MICs) and global agrarian transformations (with Jun Borras, Sérgio Sauer, Jingzhong Ye)

Invited presentation, 'Agrarian reform', ANC Land Reform workshop

2019

Co-hosted conference on 'Resolving the Land Question. Land redistribution for equitable access to land in South Africa' (with Rhodes University and University of Fort Hare)

Initiated and led study on 'Employment-intensive rural land reform in South Africa: policies, programmes and capacities', (for National Treasury and the European Union)

Summary of outputs and students 2010 – 2019

38	Peer reviewed books, book chapters or journal articles
21	Research reports, working papers and policy briefs
39	Articles in popular media
27	Invited keynote or plenary addresses
159	Presentations at conferences, seminars and workshops
23	Presentations at policy events
184	Media interviews
13	Conferences and workshops
19	Training workshops for post-graduate students
8	PhD students graduated
10	MPhil students graduated
35	Publications by post-doctoral students
43	Publications by postgraduate students

Young African Researchers in Agriculture

The Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) network brings together young and early career African researchers in agriculture from all over the continent in a new peer network.

The aim of the YARA network is to support young professionals in sharing information, 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. Here is what the network undertook in 2019.

YARA Theory Workshop: The Character of the Agrarian Question in Contemporary Africa

13–17 May 2019, University of the Western Cape, Cape Town, South Africa

The current African demographic explosion in the context of converging global crises in food, energy, finance and the environment necessitates skilled and adaptive scholars who can work in collaborative and interdisciplinary ways to identify needs, build partnerships, provide evidence and infuse expertise into public and policy debates on the African continent. The network of Young African Researchers in Agriculture (YARA) seeks to produce robust and rigorous research outputs that will help various stakeholders enhance their understanding of the landscape within which these crises are taking place. It will also provide a contextualised contribution to policy development processes that will bring about a broad-based transformation for the benefit of the people, institutions and economies of the African continent. To this end, YARA organised a theory workshop for young African scholars from across the continent to equip them with a deeper understanding of both historical and contemporary African contexts in which issues of land, agricultural production, food security and environmental change are relevant. The young scholars, who hail from 13 African countries, were introduced to a range of possible approaches from within diverse theoretical, conceptual and political perspectives that they can use to understand issues related to land, agricultural production, food security and environmental change. This academic training which was undertaken by some eminent African scholars in the critical agrarian research field aimed to help young African scholars clearly grasp the key elements of approaches grounded strongly in agrarian political economy, as well as introduce to them some key substantive issues and controversies in relation to processes of change in land, environment, and African food systems.

COHD-JPS-YARA 2019 Summer Writeshop-Workshop

1–7 July 2019, China Agricultural University in Beijing, China

YARA in collaboration with the *Journal of Peasant Studies* (JPS) and the College of Humanities and Development Studies (COHD) of China Agricultural University (Beijing) jointly organised the Summer Writeshop-Workshop in “Critical Agrarian Studies and Scholar-Activism” for young researchers (PhD and post-doctoral researchers and lecturers, up to five years from PhD completion) who are based in or are originally from the Global South. The seven-day workshop-writeshop took place at China Agricultural University in Beijing, China, from 1 to 7 July 2019 and included peer review discussions



Participants and lecturers of the YARA Theory Workshop held from 13–17 May 2019 at the University of the Western Cape.

on participants’ draft journal manuscripts and sessions on key debates and literature in critical agrarian studies, as well as concepts in and practice of scholar-activism. The writeshop facilitators included, among others, Profs. Ye Jingzhong (China Agricultural University, China), Ruth Hall (PLAAS, University of the Western Cape), Jun Borrás (*Journal of Peasant Studies* editor), and Shapan Adnan (formerly of the National University of Singapore and Oxford University). This academic training intended to enable young scholars from the Global South to be in a better position to frame their work in relation to critical agrarian studies. It also enabled them to think about international journal publications in the long-term, and finalise journal manuscripts in the short-term.

YARA Small Grants Programme

Fifteen small grants were awarded to young African scholars to undertake comparative and interdisciplinary field research on issues relating to land governance, food security, rural livelihoods and agricultural commercialisation across the African continent. The grantees were linked with senior academics who guided their work and reviewed their outputs to ensure the intergenerational transfer of knowledge and research expertise.



Participants and lecturers of the COHD-JPS-YARA 2019 Summer Writeshop-Workshop held in Beijing, China from 1–7 July 2019.

PLAAS Research Outputs

63	Media Interviews	53	Presentations
38	Policy Engagement Activities	8	Blogs and Op-Eds
5	Working Papers	5	Journal Articles
4	Seminars	3	Other Publications
3	Policy Briefs	1	Book Chapters
1	Research Report		

Media Interviews

Ben Cousins

1. Cedric Gouverneur, *Le Monde Diplomatique*, 'Land reform, agrarian structure and job creation', 1 February 2019.
2. Naledi Molewu, *Open News*, 'Outcomes of PLAAS conference on land redistribution', 6 February 2019.
3. Fritz Platt, Smile904 FM, 'Outcomes of PLAAS conference on land redistribution', 6 February 2019.
4. Bulelwa Payi, *Cape Argus*, 'Outcomes of the land redistribution conference', 8 February 2019.
5. Vuyo Mrashula, Valley FM, 'Debates on land reform at UWC conference', 11 February 2019.
6. Christian Putsch, *Welt*, 'Land politics before and after the election', 11 March 2019.
7. John Maytham, Cape Talk, 'Land reform must address agrarian structure', 25 April 2019.
8. Liesl Pretorius, *All Africa*, 'South Africa: One South Africa for All! Fact-Checking the DA's 2019 Election Manifesto', 25 March 2019.
9. Ariel Levy, *The New Yorker*, 'Who owns South Africa?', 6 May 2019.
10. John Maytham, Cape Talk, 'Land redistribution and job creation in South Africa', 4 June 2020.
11. Refiloe Mpakanyane, Radio 702, 'Land redistribution and job creation in a time of crisis', 7 June 2020.
12. Hesley Harmse, Radio Islam, 'Land redistribution and employment', 9 June 2020.
13. Zaheer Bassa, Channel Islam International, 'Land redistribution, food insecurity and employment in South Africa', 9 June 2020.
14. Nida Najaar, CNN, 'Land ownership and its reform in South Africa', 25 June 2019.
15. Denis Webster, *New Frame*, 'Growing flowers in the land of mealies', 4 October 2019.
16. Glenneis Kriel, *Business Day*, World Food Day supplement, 'Think big, invest in small', 16 October 2019.
17. John Maytham, Cape Talk, 'Expropriation without compensation proposals discussed by parliament', 7 November 2019.

Nkanyiso Gumedede

18. John Maytham, Cape Talk Radio Afternoon Drive, 11 December 2019.

Ruth Hall

19. Stephen Grootes, Radio 702, 28 January 2019.
20. Vanessa Poonah, SABC, 6 February 2019.
21. Chris Sabuya, SABC, 6 February 2019.
22. Ibrahim Chibwe, Voice of the Cape Radio, 7 February 2019.
23. John Maytham, Cape Talk, 'SONA: Land Reform', 7 February 2019.
24. Aldi Schoeman, *Rapport*, 'Grond: Gee 50% van geld vir vroue', 24 February 2019.
25. Auriel Levy, *New Yorker Magazine*, 'Who Owns South Africa?', 1 March 2019.
26. Redi Tlhabi, The Big Debate, 10 March 2019.
27. Katlego Sekgato, Kaya FM, 8 April 2019.
28. Kiran Moodley, BBC 4, ITN News, 10 April 2019.
29. Kiran Moodley, BBC, 18 April 2019.
30. Kimon de Greef, Danish TV, 25 April 2019.
31. Soren Bendixen, Danish TV, 25 April 2019.
32. Lester Kiewiet, Cape Talk Radio, 26 April 2019.
33. Andrew Harding, BBC World, 29 April 2019.
34. Daniella Cheslow, NPR, 30 April 2019.
35. Patricia Huon, *Libération*, 'L'ANC ramené sur terres avant les élections en Afrique du Sud', 2 May 2019.
36. Patricia Huon, Radio Canada, 2 May 2019.
37. Anna Lemmenmeier, Swiss Radio, 3 May 2019.

38. Kim Harrisberg, *Thomson Reuters*, 'Private property rights at stake in South Africa ballot', 6 May 2019.
39. Jeandré van der Walt, *Farmer's Weekly*, 'Agri sector welcomes new minister Thoko Didiza', 30 May 2019.
40. Riaan Grobler, *News24*, 'Land reform and agriculture: What to expect in the next 5 years', 30 May 2019.
41. Hazel Friedman, Special Assignment, 'Promised land becomes the land of broken promises', 31 May 2019.
42. Hazel Friedman, *Mail & Guardian*, 'Promised land becomes the land of broken promises', 31 May 2019.
43. Daniella Cheslow, NPR, 'Squatters In Wine Country: South Africa Struggles With Land Reform' 4 June 2019.
44. Stephen Grootes, SAFM, 21 June 2019.
45. Sune Payne, *Daily Maverick*, 'Tenuous tenure: Deputy minister aims to give farmworkers more muscle', 17 July 2019.
46. Bulelwa Payi, *Weekend Argus*. 'Land should be used for public good, says De Lille as she freezes sales', 25 July 2019.
47. Presidential Advisory Panel press briefing, GCIS Imbizo Centre, Parliament, SABC Channel 404, 28 July 2019.
48. Desiree Chauke, SABC television, 28 July 2019.
49. Chante Jantjies, Full View, SABC Channel 404, 28 July 2019.
50. Hassan Iguri, BBC World Service, 28 July 2019.
51. Elvis Preslin, SAFM, 29 July 2019.
52. Bongani Bingwa, Radio 702, 29 July 2019.
53. Tashreeq Truebody, Radio 786, Channel Islam, 29 July 2019.
54. Zeenat Hansrod, Radio France International. 'South Africa land reform: A delicate balance between history and economy', 29 July 2019.
55. Ilze-Marie Le Roux, kykNET, 29 July 2019.
56. Pilda Essop, *Netwerk24*, 'DA hou eie grondberaad in Wes-Kaap', 30 July 2019.
57. Mitzi van der Merwe, RSG, 30 July 2019.
58. John Maytham, Cape Talk, 30 July 2019.
59. Ayanda Mkhwanazi, Channel Africa, 5 August 2019.
60. Gulam Fakir, Voice of the Cape, 5 August 2019.
61. Greg Mthembu-Salter, Cattle: Wanted Dead & Alive, 8 August 2019.
62. Peter Ahmad and Perwez Abdullah, Talking Transformation, 21 August 2019.
63. Cedric Gouverneur, *Le Monde Diplomatique*, 'South Africa's lands must be shared', 16 October 2019.

Presentations

1. Cousins, B. 'Land reform – socio-economic dimensions'. Invited plenary address, second colloquium on land reform policy organised by the Advisory Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture, Centurion, 22 February 2019.
2. Cousins, B. Discussant of papers on land tenure in Africa (Zenande Boo on The Ingonyama Trust in SA and Dominic Burbridge on Kenya). Colloquium on 'Citizenship and Accountability. Litigating Customary Law and Traditional Leadership under South Africa's Democratic Constitution', Bonavero Institute for Human Rights, University of Oxford, 18–19 June 2019.
3. Cousins, B. 'Valuation Studies', presentation to a workshop on 'Learning lessons – Xolobeni and Ga-Molekane land-based valuations', Land and Accountability Research Centre, Cape Town, 14 August 2019.
4. Cousins, B. 'Land reform, accumulation and social reproduction. South African experience in global and historical perspective'. Public lecture, Cape Town, 28 October 2019.
5. Cousins, B. 'Successful land reform in South Africa and small-holder subtropical fruit producers'. Invited plenary address, Annual Marketing Seminar, Subtropical Fruit Growers Association, White River, 6 November 2019.
6. Du Toit, A. 'Explaining the Persistence of Rural Poverty in South Africa'. Expert Group Meeting on Eradicating Rural Poverty to Implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa, 27 February–1 March 2019.

7. Gumede, N. "The outcomes of land reform for employment, land rights and livelihoods for farm workers on land redistributed through the Pro-Active Land Acquisition Strategy in selected provinces in South Africa". Farm Workers Conference, University of the Western Cape, 16–18 October 2019.
8. Hall, R. PLAAS and the Land Debate. Presentation to the Oppenheimer Generations Foundation, Cape Town, 18 January 2019.
9. Hall, R. 'Land grabbing in Africa: Debates about the new investor rush.' Lecture to the Land Economics and Governance PhD course, University of Cape Town, 1 February 2019.
10. Hall, R. 'Historical, political economy and policy reflections on land in Africa'. Lecture to the Land Economics and Governance PhD course, University of Cape Town, 1 February 2019.
11. Hall, R. 'Land Redistribution.' Keynote address at 'Resolving the Land Question' conference, University of the Western Cape, 4 February 2019.
12. Hall, R. 'Who should benefit, how should land be redistributed, with what rights and what support, and what outcomes?' Synthesis presentation at 'Resolving the Land Question' conference, University of the Western Cape, 5 February 2019.
13. Hall, R. 'Land Law and Policy in Southern Africa'. Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa short course, Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa, Zanzibar Beach Hotel, Zanzibar, Tanzania, 12 February 2019.
14. Hall, R. 'Large-scale Land Acquisitions in Africa'. Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa short course, Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa, Zanzibar Beach Hotel, Zanzibar, Tanzania, 12 February 2019.
15. Hall, R. 'Unpacking the Land Debate.' Talk at Economic Outlook 2019, Gordon Institute of Business Studies (GIBS) University of Pretoria, Johannesburg, 21 February 2019.
16. Hall, R. Rethinking Economics for Africa (REFA), University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 21 February 2019.
17. Hall, R. Land Reform: Reflections and Prospects.' Keynote presentation to the Annual General Meeting of the SA Geomatics Institute, Stellenbosch, 26 April 2019.
18. Hall, R. 'Land Struggles and Re-envisioning Urban and Rural Space.' Steve Biko Frank Talk, District Six Museum, 9 May 2019.
19. Hall, R. 'Food Systems and Food Regimes.' Young African Researchers in Agriculture theory course, PLAAS, 15 May 2019.
20. Hall, R. 'Food Sovereignty vs Food Security.' Young African Researchers in Agriculture theory course, PLAAS, 15 May 2019.
21. Hall, R. 'Connecting the Food and Land Questions: From Food Sovereignty to Land Sovereignty.' Young African Researchers in Agriculture theory course, PLAAS, 15 May 2019.
22. Hall, R. 'What is the character of the Agrarian Question in Southern Africa?' Presentation at the Agrarian Question in Contemporary Africa seminar, University of the Western Cape, 14 May 2019.
23. Hall, R. 'Rethinking Agrarian Transformation: Agribusiness Expansionism in, by and via BRICS.' Keynote lecture. BRICS: Unpacking Land-Use Transformations Conference, Oxford Department for International Development, University of Oxford, 14 June 2019.
24. Hall, R. 'The New Institutional Economics: A Theory Lecture.' Journal of Peasant Studies (JPS) Summer Writeshop for PhD students in the Global South, College of Humanities and Development Studies, China Agricultural University, 1-7 July 2019.
25. Hall, R. 'Land reform prospects for small-scale farmers and farm workers.' Presentation at the Surplus People Project workshop, Vredendal North Community Hall, Vredendal, 26 July 2019.
26. Hall, R. 'Politics, Process and Recommendations: The Presidential Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture.' Keynote talk at 'Business as Usual?' Tshisimani School of Activism, Cape Town, 6 August 2019.

27. Hall, R. 'Talking Land and Food.' Keynote talk at #FoodTalks. University of Pretoria, Pretoria, 7 August 2019.
28. Hall, R. Keynote talk at the Annual General Meeting of the Elgin Grabouw Vygeboom and Villiersdorp (EGVV) Farmers' Association, Elgin Grabouw Country Club, Grabouw, 22 August 2019.
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33. Hall, R. 'The Politics and Possibilities of Land Reform and the Legacy of Cecil John Rhodes.' Southern African Association of Rhodes Scholars, Wits Club, University of the Witwatersrand, 31 August 2019.
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37. Hall, R. 'The Politics and Possibilities of Land Reform and the Legacy of Cecil John Rhodes', Southern African Association of Rhodes Scholars, Wits Club, University of the Witwatersrand, 31 August 2019.
38. Hara, M. PLAAS Membership report, 20th WATERNET Symposium, 30 October 2019.
39. Hara, M. 'The Social Scarcity of Water in Cities', W12 Congress: First International Meeting of Cities Facing A Day Zero Water Scenario, Stellenbosch University, 14 November 2019.
40. Isaacs, M. 'Is the Blue Justice concept a human rights agenda?', African Expert Meeting: Operationalising a human rights-based approach to sustainable fisheries and aquaculture sectors in the African Region: Session: Policy Trends, Danish Institute for Human Rights, Nairobi, Kenya, 31 July–1 August 2019.
41. Isaacs, M. 'Equity, fairness and transformation in fishing industry', keynote presentation at the 2020 Fishing Rights Allocation Process Seminar, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF), 23 April 2019.
42. Isaacs, M. 'People & the Sea X: Learning from the past, imagining the future', University of Amsterdam, Netherlands, 24–28 June 2019.
43. Isaacs, M. 'Conservation and People's Rights', Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA). Discussant: People, Coasts and Oceans: Opportunities for a changing future Scientific Symposium, University of Mauritius, Mauritius, 1–6 July 2019.
44. Isaacs, M. The Too Big to Ignore (TBTI) Transdisciplinary Training for African scholars in Cape Town, Monkey Valley Noordhoek, 20–24 January 2019.
45. Isaacs, M. NELGA training, with Ruth Hall on the 'Political Economy of Land Governance', Zanzibar, 10–15 February 2019.
46. Isaacs, M. NELGA training, with Ruth Hall on the 'Political Economy of Land Governance', Accra, Ghana 12–16 August 2019.
47. Isaacs, M. 'Blue Justice in small island states in Africa', School of Ecology Sanzman Radikal Pe Vini, Mauritius Centre for Alternative Research and Studies, 5 October 2019.
48. Isaacs, M. PLAAS Special Seminar: International World Fisheries Day, 21 November 2019.
49. Zamchiya, P. 'South Africa's land reform: lessons from Zimbabwe'. Presentation made at the Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue on South Africa's Land Reform: Drawing Lessons from Zimbabwe workshop organized by the Southern African Liaison Office, Pretoria, South Africa, 14 November 2019.
50. Zamchiya, P. 'Elite capture of farmland and agrarian sector'. Presentation made at civil society workshop organized by the Action for Conflict Transformation, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26–28 September 2019
51. Zamchiya, P. 'Land governance in South Africa'. Presentation made at the Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa (NELGA) made at the Namibian University of Science and Technology (NUST), Windhoek, Namibia, 3 September 2019.
52. Zamchiya, P. 2019. 'Elite capture of farmland and agrarian sector'. Presentation made at civil society workshop organized by the Action for Conflict Transformation, Cape Town, South Africa, 1 November 2019.
53. Zamchiya, P. 2019. 'Building a Southern African region with secure land rights and sustainable livelihoods for small-scale farmers including women and youth'. Presentation made at the Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU), Pretoria, South Africa.

Policy Engagement Activities

1. Cousins, B. 'Land and politics in South Africa', conservative members of EU parliament' Cape Town, 7 February 2019.
2. Cousins, B. 'Land reform policy', Ambassadors from EU member countries, Cape Town, 13 February, 2019.
3. Cousins, B. 'Expropriation without compensation', Standard Bank Investors Conference, vide conference, 11 March 2019.
4. Cousins, B. 'Expropriation without compensation and its significance for land reform', Cape Chamber of Commerce, 28 March 2019.
5. Cousins, B. 'Land controversies after the 2019 national elections', Ambassadors from EU member countries, Cape Town, 20 June, 2019.
6. Cousins, B. 'Land policies and debates in South Africa', briefing for Irish Ambassador, Fintuala Gilsenen, Cape Town, 14 November 2019.
7. Hall, R. Ministerial advisor: Minister Ronald Lamola, Minister of Justice and Correctional Services Convened a National Reference Group on Land Justice, 10 September 2019.
8. Hall, R. Ministerial advisor: Patricia De Lille, Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure Convened a National Reference Group on State Land, 16 September 2019.
9. Hall, R. Briefing note for President Cyril Ramaphosa on the 'punchlines' that he should address in his articulation of the report of the Presidential Advisory Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture, 24 July 2019.
10. Hall, R. Briefing for Presidency in response to letter from Prince Mangosothu Buthelezi, MP, regarding Presidential Advisory Panel report findings and recommendations on the Ingonyama Trust, 16 August 2019.
11. Hall, R. 'Land Reform and the Expropriation without Compensation Debate: What's at Stake and What to Expect.' Presentation to European Union Delegation, Radisson Hotel, Cape Town, 7 February 2019.
12. Hall, R. 'Beneficiary Selection'. Presentation to the Portfolio Committees on Rural Development and Land Reform, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, and Water and Sanitation, National Assembly, Parliament, 20 February 2019.
13. Hall, R. Advisory Panel process. Roundtable on Urban and Rural Land Reform, Nelson Mandela Foundation, Johannesburg, 21 February 2019.
14. Hall, R. 'Land demand, beneficiary selection land acquisition, expropriation and compensation.' Presentation at the National Land Colloquium convened by the Presidential Advisory Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture, 22–23 February 2019.
15. Hall, R. Meeting with Kim Silberman, Rand Merchant Bank and PIMCO Investors, Vineyard Hotel, Cape Town, 25 February 2019.
16. Hall, R. 'Land Reform Outlook.' Presentation to the Cape Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Economic and Finance Portfolio Committee, V&A Waterfront, Cape Town, 27 February 2019.
17. Hall, R. 'Expropriation without Compensation: What Constitutional Amendment?' Presentation to the Section 25 Committee on Constitutional Amendment, National Assembly, Parliament, 1 March 2019.
18. Hall, R. Meeting on land reform corruption with National Education Health and Allied Workers Union, Department of Rural Development and Land Reform, Cape Town, 3 April 2019.
19. Hall, R. Land Tenure Reform: Track record, current state of play, stakeholders and future possibilities.' Presentation to the Land Working Group (LWG), Anglo American, Johannesburg, 15 April 2019.

20. Hall, R. Meeting with 10 senior executives from Deutsche Bank, Cape Town, 31 May 2019.
21. Hall, R. Presidential Advisory Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture, Report handover and presentation to President, Deputy President, Minister, Deputy Ministers and Presidency staff, Union Buildings, 11 June 2019.
22. Hall, R. Written briefing paper for State of the Nation Address, 12 June 2019.
23. Hall, R. Presidential Advisory Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture: Presentation to Cabinet. Tuijnhuis, Parliamentary precinct, Cape Town, 24 July 2019.
24. Hall, R. Briefing note for President Cyril Ramaphosa on the 'punchlines' that he should address in his articulation of the report of the Presidential Advisory Panel on Land Reform and Agriculture, 24 July 2019 (used in his Presidential reply in National Assembly on 22 August 2019).
25. Hall, R. Briefing for Presidency in response to letter from Prince Mangosothu Buthelezi, MP, regarding Presidential Advisory Panel report findings and recommendations on the Ingonyama Trust, 16 August 2019.
26. Hall, R. Meeting with Patricia De Lille, Minister of Public Works, Cape Town, 19 August 2019.
27. Hall, R. Meeting with Ronald Lamola, Minister of Justice, Cape Town, 23 August 2019.
28. Mtero, F., Ramantsima K., and Gumede N. 2019. National Department of Rural Development and Land Reform, Elite Capture Research Findings presentation, Johannesburg, 26 September 2019.
29. Ramantsima, K. and Gumede, N. 2019. Provincial Department of Rural Development and Land Reform, Elite Capture Research Findings presentation, Mahikeng, 1 October 2019.
30. Zamchiya, P. 'Making Free, Prior and Informed Consent work in the context of foreign investments in Zambia and Southern Africa', engagement with Zambia Government Officials from the Ministry of Lands at the PLAAS-Zambia Land Alliance workshop, Lusaka, Zambia, 12 December 2019.
31. Zamchiya, P. 'Land based investment deals in Southern Africa—Evidence and rethinking compensation models in Zambia and Southern Africa', engagement with Zambia Government Officials from the Ministry of Lands at the PLAAS-Zambia Land Alliance workshop, Lusaka, Zambia, 12 December 2019.
32. Zamchiya, P. 'Introducing an Activist User's Guide to Regional, International Guidelines, and Principles for Large-Scale Land-Based Investments', engagement with Zambia Government Officials from the Ministry of Lands at the PLAAS-Zambia Land Alliance workshop, Lusaka, Zambia, 12 December 2019.
33. Zamchiya, P. 'Making Free, Prior and Informed Consent work in the context of foreign investments in Mozambique and Southern Africa', engagement with Mozambique Government Officials from the Ministry of Agriculture at the PLAAS-ADECRU workshop, Maputo, Mozambique, 16 December 2019.
34. Zamchiya, P. 'Land based investment deals in Southern Africa- Evidence and rethinking compensation models in Maputo and Southern Africa', engagement with Mozambique Government Officials from the Ministry of Agriculture at the PLAAS-ADECRU workshop, Maputo, Mozambique, 16 December 2019.
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Blogs and Op-Eds

1. Cousins, B. and Hall, R. 'Land reform is at a crossroads', *Daily Maverick* 1 February 2019.
2. Cousins, B. 'Land policy must change South Africa's agrarian structure', *Daily Maverick*, 23 April 2019.
3. Cousins, B. 'Land policy must change South Africa's agrarian structure', University of Western Cape, 24 April 2019.
4. Isaacs, M. 'Blue justice for small-scale fisheries', PLAAS Blog, 23 July 2019.
5. Mtero, F. 'Elite capture in land redistribution: Winners and losers', PLAAS Blog, 3 December 2019.
6. Zamchiya, P. 'Time for a winning rural formula for the MDC', *Nehanda Radio*, 23 November 2019.

Working Papers

1. Aliber, M. 2019. How can we promote a range of livelihood opportunities through land redistribution? Working Paper 58. PLAAS, UWC, Cape Town.
2. Bosiu, T., Landani, N., Nyamwena, J., Roberts, S. and Vilakazi, T. 2019. Market Observatory for Regional Food Systems: A pilot study of key agricultural products in Malawi, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Working Paper prepared for DST-NRF Centre of Excellence in Food Security, UWC, Cape Town.
3. Petersen, L., Thorogood, C., Charman, A. and Du Toit, A. 2019. What price cheap goods? Survivalists, informalists and competition in the township retail grocery trade. Working Paper 59. PLAAS, UWC, Cape Town.
4. Vink, N. and Kirsten, J. 2019. Principles and practice for successful farmland redistribution in South Africa, Working Paper 57. PLAAS, UWC, Cape Town.
5. Zamchiya, P. 2019. Mining, capital and dispossession in Limpopo, South Africa, Working Paper 56. PLAAS, UWC, Cape Town.

Journal Articles

1. Du Toit, A. 2019. The Vampire Squid: Value, Crisis and the Power of Finance. *Development and Change*, 50(4):1109–20.
2. Scoones, I., Smalley, R., Hall, R. and Tsikata, D., 2019. Narratives of scarcity: Framing the global land rush. *Geoforum*, 101: 231-241.
3. Hornby, D. and Cousins, B. 2019. 'Reproducing the social': Contradictory interconnections between land, cattle production and household relations in the Bester's Land Reform Project, South Africa. *Anthropology Southern Africa*, 42(3): 202-216.
4. Manyungwa, C. L. Hara, M. M. Chimatiro, S. K. 2019. Women's engagement in and outcomes from small-scale fisheries value chains in Malawi: effects of social relations. *Maritime Studies*, 18(3): 275-285.
5. Monjane, B., and Bruna, N. 2019. "Confronting agrarian authoritarianism: dynamics of resistance to Prosavana in Mozambique". *Journal of Peasant Studies*, 47(1): 69-94.

Seminars

1. Cousins, B. 2019. 'Land titling and the alternatives: Recognising social tenures'. Seminar presentation, Department of Economics, University of Cape Town, 1 February 2019.
2. Cousins, B. 2019. 'Land reform policy—Where is it headed?' Invited presentation, Leadership Seminar, Produce Marketing Association, Stellenbosch, 21 February 2019.
3. Du Toit, A. 2019. 'Informality and Inequality'. Presented at the GSB workshop on Future-fit research, Graduate School of Business, UCT, 13 March 2019.
4. Du Toit, A. 2019. 'Landlessness and Political Belonging: Reflections on de-Agrarianisation, Biopolitics and Democracy'. Presented at the Cosmopolitan Karoo Research Forum, University of Stellenbosch, 23 May 2019.

Other Publications

1. Joala, R., Chadza, W., Mable, P., Kumwembe, G. and Kambwiri, A. 2019. 'Rethinking food security Agro-food systems change and the Right to Food in Southern Africa (Malawi)'. PLAAS, Cape Town.
2. Mbaya, S. 2019. 'Women's Land Rights in Africa: Scorecard 2019 – A tool for women on women's land rights advocacy in Africa'. Oxfam, PROPAC, PLAAS, Cape Town.
3. Mbaya, S. 2019. 'Training of Trainers Module: Gender-sensitive community engagement in large-scale land-based investments in agriculture'. Oxfam, PROPAC, PLAAS, Cape Town.

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1. De Satgé, R. and B. Cousins, 2019. 'Rural land redistribution in South Africa: Contrasting visions and models', Policy Brief 52, Cape Town, Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, University of Western Cape
2. Isaacs, M. 2019. 'Is the Blue Justice concept a human rights agenda?' PLAAS. Policy Brief 54.
3. Zamchiya, P. 2019. 'An Activist User's Guide to Regional, International Guidelines, and Principles for Large-Scale Land-Based Investments'. Cape Town: Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS), University of the Western Cape.

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1. Mtero, F., Ramantsima, K. and Gumede, N. 2019. Elite capture in land redistribution in South Africa. Research Report 55, PLAAS, UWC: Bellville.

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PLAAS Events

21–24 January

WORKSHOP
Transdisciplinary Small-Scale Fisheries Training Workshop hosted by PLAAS at Monkey Valley, Cape Town.

4–5 February

CONFERENCE
'Resolving the Land Question' Land Redistribution Conference hosted by PLAAS with Fort Hare and Rhodes Universities at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.

11–15 February

TRAINING
NELGA Short Course in the 'Political Economy of Land Governance in Africa' held in Zanzibar, Tanzania.

13–17 May

WORKSHOP
YARA Theory Workshop hosted by PLAAS at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.

14 May

PUBLIC DEBATE
'What is the character of the Agrarian Question in Contemporary Africa?' Public debate hosted by YARA and PLAAS at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.

1–7 July

WORKSHOP
Summer Writeshop-Workshop in Critical Agrarian and Development Studies hosted by PLAAS, the *Journal of Peasant Studies* (JPS) and the College of Humanities and Development Studies (COHD) in Beijing, China.

28 August

COLLOQUIUM
EMS Women's Month Public Lecture, Women and Work: Current and Future Challenges Mini-colloquium hosted by PLAAS at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.

16 September

REFERENCE GROUP
Reference Group on State Land, Land Reform and Redistribution with the Minister of Public Works hosted by PLAAS at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.

25 September

WORKSHOP
Land Reform Elite Capture Workshop hosted by PLAAS and held in Johannesburg.

8–10 October

COLLOQUIUM
NELGA Launch Colloquium hosted by PLAAS at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.

16–18 October

CONFERENCE
Future of Farm Workers in South Africa Conference, hosted by PLAAS in partnership with CoE Food Security and Women on Farms Project at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.

28 October

PUBLIC LECTURE
Farewell and Distinguished Public Lecture on Land reform, accumulation and social reproduction: The South African experience in global and historical perspective by Prof. Ben Cousins held in Wynberg, Cape Town.

3 December

REPORT LAUNCH
Launch of the 'Elite Capture in Land Redistribution in South Africa' Research Report hosted by PLAAS at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town.



Farewell and Distinguished Public Lecture for Prof. Ben Cousins



Reference Group with Minister Patricia de Lille (Public Works)



NELGA Launch Colloquium

Finance and Administration Support Function

As part of our ongoing change management strategy, and in particular the restructuring of our support function at PLAAS, we commenced with the transitioning of the positions of Financial Manager (Trevor Reddy) and Administrative Manager (Ursula Arends) into a newly-created Finance and Operations Manager position. The recruitment process, driven by the UWC HR Department, commenced in mid-2019 and was still in progress at the end of the year. We envisage that in 2020 the Finance and Operations Manager would supervise a leaner, yet stronger and more efficient, 'fit for purpose' support staff complement, with enhanced skills sets in this area, working smarter, as a cohesive team supporting the research/academic function at PLAAS. In 2019 our four key areas of support functions were finance (Donovan Delpaul), teaching/training (Carla Henry), project/organisational administration (Joy van Dieman) and communications (Babongile Malama).

There was a collective sigh of relief when our Communications Officer, Esté Beerwinkel was appointed in June 2019, filling a position vacant since the end of 2016. Prior to Esté's appointment, mission critical communications functions, including publication production and social media, were held by Ursula Arends and Babongile Malama, with support from Mologadi Makwela, Communications Manager at the Centre of Excellence (Food Security) at UWC.

When Babongile Malama went on maternity leave in May 2019, Joy van Dieman was deployed to the front-of-house admin support area for the rest of the year, assuming responsibility for events, project support and organisational administration. We recruited a temporary Administrator, Busisiwe Ngidi, to provide administrative support to the rapidly expanding NELGA (Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa) training programme, from June to December 2019.

In April 2019, Carla Henry received the prestigious *Outstanding Academic Administrator Award – EMS Faculty (2018)*, at the Registrar's annual Rewards and Recognition gala event. This award was in recognition of Carla's exceptional performance as a Senior Administrator, providing administrative and academic support of the highest calibre, to the PLAAS Teaching Programme, the NELGA Training Programme and the SARChI Chair in Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies. The award also recognised Carla's willingness to go way beyond the call of duty in her patient and efficient support of all our postgraduate students, postdoctoral research associates and lecturers on our teaching and training programmes, both at PLAAS and further afield in the rest of our continent.

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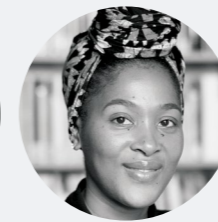
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Financial Overview

Income and Expenditure 2018/2019

		2018	2019
Income	Note	26 016 964,34	20 704 574,46
Austrian Development Agency (ADA)	1	3 213 329,88	110 674,77
Black Sash	1		394 000,00
Claude Leon Foundation	1	750 000,00	750 000,00
Copenhagen Business School	1	86 100,78	
DAAD	1	347 418,61	381 622,23
Embassy of Ireland	1		149 838,00
Embassy of The Netherlands	1		165 838,00
Embassy of Switzerland	1		95 652,17
European Union	1		134 782,61
Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)	1		419 578,00
Institute of Development Studies (IDS)	1	207 951,60	367 071,51
Millennium Trust	1		700 000,00
Norsk Institute for Vassforskning (NIVA)	1		35 669,98
Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa (OSISA)	1	684 465,00	
Open Society Foundation	1	4 315 561,60	2 284 666,32
OXFAM	1	2 424 677,16	1 102 970,00
Packard Foundation	1	3 404 926,52	
Raith Foundation	1		100 000,00
SA Government – National Research Foundation Chair	2	3 170 991,60	4 385 697,07
SA Government – National Research Foundation DST COE	1	231 000,00	
SA Government – Water Research Commission	1	1 992 750,00	305 000,00
Standard Bank	1		500 000,00
Sundry Small Grants	1	300 000,00	503 043,00
TIA (Technology Innovation Agency)	1		125 000,00
United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)	1		3 685 629,56
University of Sweden - Agricultural	1	80 309,51	
University of the Western Cape – Operational Support	3	638 745,49	128 689,03
University of the Western Cape – Staffing Support	3	3 810 982,22	3 793 529,92
World Fish	1	133 131,06	
Other Income (Recovery of overhead and other expenses)	1	224 623,31	85 622,29

		2018	2019
Expenditure	Note	21 038 446,98	25 935 090,81
Personnel Costs (including UWC Staffing Permanent staff)	1, 2, 3	11 764 414,08	12 873 913,19
Operational Costs	1, 2, 3	498 762,31	518 954,95
Organisational Support	1		131 307,00
Equipment and Rental	1, 3	76 148,44	198 089,74
Research Costs (Service Level Agreements to Partners)	1, 2	4 174 616,44	4 609 818,98
NRF Research Costs	2	1 424 930,28	1 544 512,95
Teaching and Training (Bursaries for Postgraduate Program and consultants)	1, 3	653 028,50	2 336 947,35
Dissemination (including Communications)	1	456 068,99	661 828,60
Travel and Accommodation (including Events and Research Assistants)	1	1 990 477,94	3 059 718,05

Opening Balance at the Beginning of the Year		6 697 120,31	12 090 819,38
Inter-entity transfers		415 181,71	258 677,42
Net movement for the year		4 978 517,36	-5 230 516,35
Closing Balance at End of Period (Operating Activities)		12 090 819,38	7 364 934,44

Notes

Note 1: PLAAS Income in the form of Research Grants. The income is generally received in advance and expenses occur as per contractual guidelines and deliverables.

Note 2: Includes NRF Chair and NRF Research Grant expenditure for the period.

Note 3: UWC income equals expenditure (as part of the Institutional subsidy).

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