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19th Stellenbosch International Academic Networks (SIAN) Meeting

Stellenbosch University, South Africa

14 - 17 March 2023

Welcome Message from Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Strategy, Global and Corporate Affairs.

Celebrating 30 years of internationalisation

When Stellenbosch University (SU) started its journey of connecting with higher education institutions in other parts of the world, we could never have imagined that internationalisation would take flight and position our institution as a global academic leader.

This year, at SIAN 2023, we celebrate 30 years of internationalisation at SU – a journey that started with one partnership in 1993 and that has flourished into a global network spanning across six continents.

For me, one of the recent highlights has been the approval of the first Internationalisation Strategy in 2019 and the subsequent implementation of the strategy, which has set us on a path towards realising SU's vision of being Africa's leading research-intensive university, thereby fulfilling our mission to be a placed connected to the world, while enriching and transforming local, continental and global communities.

Steered by our strategy, we have unlocked new opportunities especially on the African continent and in other parts of the Global South. It has also ensured that our students can be empowered with global competencies through various study-abroad, international@home and other programmes. For our staff, our strategic approach has provided a myriad of connections with the world's top researchers in their varied fields of expertise.

We aim to provide our students with a transformative experience, and we want to be an employer of choice – comprehensive internationalisation has aided us in leading the way in this regard.



Among our most valued stakeholders are our university partners and networks. We believe in comprehensive partnerships that are all-inclusive and wide-ranging in its features and activities. Through our global partnerships and networks, both SU and its partners are able to make a global impact and transform the world we live in.

I am therefore delighted to welcome you to SIAN 2023. I am extremely proud that SU can celebrate this momentous milestone with you, our partners. The UBUNTU philosophy affirms our commitment to our partners and networks, 'I am what I am because of who we all are'. I firmly believe that the future of internationalisation at SU looks even brighter.

Forward together!

Prof Hester Klopper,

Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Strategy,
Global and Corporate Affairs

Programme: Day 1

Monday, 13 March 2023: PRE-SIAN Activities and sessions

08:00 – 16:00 Delegates from Military Academies visit the SU Faculty of Military Science, Military Academy, Saldanha

Parallel sessions: Wallenberg Research Centre, STIAS

08:30 Arrival at STIAS

09:00-09:30 **Plenary: Welcome and context**

Welcome - Rector and Vice-Chancellor, Prof Wim de Villiers
Internationalisation at Stellenbosch University – Robert Kotzé,
Senior Director: SU International

09:30-10:45 **Parallel sessions**

Town & Gown Relations Session 1.1

Overview - Facilitator: Robert Kotzé

The University and Local Government

Dr Leslie van Rooi, Senior Director: Social Impact and Transformation,
Stellenbosch University
Prof Rui Vieira de Castro, Rector, University of Minho, Portugal
Prof Vivienne Matiru, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and
Technology, Kenya

Africa multi-lateral and bilateral partnership meetings

Session 2.1 (by invitation only) SDG / 2063

Joint Session of the two networks hosted by the Centre for Collaboration in Africa, SU International

AUDA-NEPAD SANWATCE (Southern African Network of Water Centers of Excellence) and PERIPERI U (Partner Enhancing Resilience for People Exposed to Risks)

1993 - July 1993

The Office for International Relations (OIR) is established



Exploring Opportunities for WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) - related Research Proposals

The AUDA-NEPAD SANWATCE secretariat, in collaboration with the PERIPHERI U are hosting this session to consider the co-creation of proposals for collaborative, Africa-led research to address key issues at the intersection of WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene), Public Health within Disaster Risk Studies and Climate Change. This session will take the outcomes of prior consultations between the Perivoli Africa Research Centre (PARC) at the University of Bristol and SANWATCE as a point of departure.

10:45 – 11:15 Refreshment and comfort break

11:15 – 12:45 Parallel sessions

Town & Gown Relations Session 1.2

The University and the Student Community

Dr Choice Makhetha, Senior Director: Student Affairs, Stellenbosch University
Mr Yeki Mosomothane, Multicultural Educator and Coordinator, Centre for Student Communities, Prof Pansoo Kim, Dean of Students, Kyungpook National University, South Korea

Africa multi-lateral and bilateral partnership meetings

Session 2.2 (by invitation only) SDG / 2063
Continuation of Session 2.1

12:45 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 16:30 Parallel sessions

Town & Gown Relations Group moves to Luckhoff Building 13:45
Session 1.3

The University and its immediate community

Programme by SU Division for Social Impact

The presentation at the Old Luckhoff Building centers around the forceful removals of black communities during the Apartheid era. This includes the road to restitution as proposed by Stellenbosch University from 2007 to the present. This culminated in a Visual Redress project and a Public Participation process is underway.

1997 - March 1997

The name of the OIR is changed to the International Office



Facilitator **Ernestine Meyer-Adams**, Director: Social Impact
Speakers: **Ernestine Meyer-Adams**: Broad view on Restitution,
Renee Hector-Kannemeyer: Old Luckhoff School as case study within a
Visual Redress Framework, **Joseph Jacobs**: The Vlake community
forceable removed, **Wilfred Daniels**: Walk About

Prof Joanne Hughes, Director of the Centre for Shared Education at Queen's
University Belfast, Northern Ireland

Africa multi-lateral and bilateral partnership meetings Session 2.3 **SDG / 2063**

How to Avoid Climate Disaster: An African View

Facilitator: **Simohn Engelbrecht**, Coordinator, AUDA/NEPAD Centre of
Excellence in Science, Technology and Innovation
Session Host: **Prof Guy Midgley**, Acting Director: School for Climate Studies;
Climate Change Researcher, Stellenbosch University

Keynote Lecture

14:00 – 15:15 **Prof Midgley** to address the audience on the following climate related
information placing matters into perspective:

- a) Why we are facing a climate disaster
- b) Scenario outline
- c) Extractions from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change guiding
the future development of Africa and how to avoid a climate disaster

COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS

Interactive Session

Host to engage with audience through an interactive software displayed on
screen. This climate related interactive scenario software session will allow
the audience to explore the ability to make high-level decisions on a global
level, thus highlighting the assumptions and misconceptions that exist when
it comes to addressing climate change challenges, economic signals one
can utilise to drive change and placing matters into context.

16:30 **Departure back to accommodation**

17:45 **Pick-up at accommodation**

18:30 -21:00 **Braai at Middelvlei hosted by Rector Wim de Villiers**

2003

First Stellenbosch Family Meeting celebrating 10 years of internationalisation



Centre For Global Engagement

The Centre for Global Engagement (CGE) was formed through the amalgamation of the Global Education Centre and the Centre for Partnerships and Internationalization Support. Currently the CGE consist of two functional units: The Unit for Partnerships & INTERINFO and the Unit for Global Education.

The Unit for Partnerships & INTERINFO plays an important role in terms of managing and supporting Bi- and Multilateral partnerships at Stellenbosch University. The Unit is also responsible for the information management of internationalization activities at Stellenbosch University. The responsibility regarding staff internationalization which includes academic and pass staff mobility is similarly situated within the unit.

The Unit for Global Education focuses on supporting non-degree mobility, which includes semester and short-term mobility. The activities of the unit are grounded in a global learning approach, with a specific focus to attaining certain global learning outcomes with the respective programmes. In addition to the above the unit also has a strong focus on student integration and success of international students at Stellenbosch University.

The SUI Communications & Marketing function is as well situated within the Centre for Global Engagement. This responsibility area is accountable for SUI branding and events support publications, website, newsletters, and social media. The respective coordinator also needs to ensure alignment with institutional communications and marketing. The CGE also hosts the Stellenbosch University Japan Centre, as well as the Skema-Stellenbosch Student Campus Office.

2009

November 2009: The Confucius Institute joins the International Office



Programme: Day 2

Tuesday, 14 March 2023: PRE-SIAN Activities and sessions

Parallel sessions: Wallenberg Research Centre, STIAS

08:30 Arrival at STIAS (Session 1.4 at Launchlab – group departs from STIAS)

09:00-10:45 **Parallel sessions**

Town & Gown Relations

Session 1.4
(LaunchLab)

The University and Local Business

Facilitator: Robert Kotzé

Prof Stan du Plessis, COO, Stellenbosch University
Mr Bart Hendrickx, Head of Academic Diplomacy, KU Leuven, Belgium
Prof Richard Wells, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Coventry University, UK

Africa multi-lateral and bilateral partnership meeting

Session 2.4 SDG / 2063

Contextualising partnership development across Africa

Facilitator: Dr Romanus Shivoro, University of Namibia

Panel:

Ms Barbara Blankson, University of Ghana
Dr Vivienne Matiru, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and
Technology, Kenya
Ms Rita Parthyneviko, University of Mauritius
Mr Eric Saulo, Strathmore University, Nairobi, Kenya

EUTOPIA European Universities Alliance

Session 3
EUTOPIA Learning Communities introduction – (only for SU staff)

2010

Expansion of the IO to include support to all postgraduate students
à Postgraduate and International Office (PGIO)



Facilitator: **Sarah Richmond**, Senior Programme Manager: Global Education, SU International

Prof Jo Angouri, Academic Director: Education and Internationalisation, University of Warwick, UK

10:45 – 11:15 Refreshment and comfort break

11:15 – 12:45 Parallel sessions

Formalisation of the International Town & Gown Network (Crossley Room, Krotoa Building) Session 1.5

EUTOPIA Learning Communities introduction – (only for SU staff)
Session 3 (cont)

Capacity building in support of creating vibrant transnational research communities
Session 2.5

Programme by the Africa Centre for Scholarship (ACS)

Introduction to the ACS – **Prof Sarah Howie**, Director: ACS
Scholarship development in Africa – **Dr Mmampho Gogela-Smith**, Senior Programme Manager: Scholarship Development
African Doctoral Academy – **Dr Natalie Kowalik**, Programme Manager: ADA
Emerging Scholars Initiative – **Dr Brent Abrahams**, Coordinator: ESI

Panel discussion with Africa partner universities

1: Collaboration across Africa – our collective experiences

University of Namibia - **Dr Romanus Shivoru**
University of Lagos - **Prof Ismail Ibrahim**
Makerere University - **Prof Julius Kikooma**
Stellenbosch University - **Prof Ruth Albertyn**, **Ms Selene Delpont**,
Dr Brent Abrahams

PhD Students, Stellenbosch University - **Ms Ibukun Balogun**,
Mr Kamogelo Matenchi

2: How do we envision the future of scholarship development in Africa and beyond? **Prof Liezel Frick**, **Prof Sarah Howie**, **Dr Mmampho Gogela-Smith**

2014

External evaluation of PGIO



- 12:45 – 14:00** **Lunch and then return to accommodation**
- SIAN Meeting formal kick-off**
- 15:30** **Moving from accommodations to University Library Square to meet with Robert Kotzé**
- 16:00 – 17:00** **Short campus walkabout**
- 17:00** **Refreshments at SU Museum**
- 17:30** **Introductions and Context**
- Prof Hester Klopper, Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Strategy, Global and Corporate Affairs
- Drumming
- 18:30** **Bon appétit, Bon apéro, Bonne conversation**

2016 - 1 August 2016

Reorganisation of PGIO into SU International and the Post-graduate Office (within Research Development)





The Centre for Collaboration in Africa

The Centre for Collaboration in Africa (CCA) at SU International is responsible for creating an enabling environment for partnership development and support for bilateral and multilateral partnerships in Africa, through initiatives such as the SU Africa Platform. We further continue to grow awareness amongst staff and students of opportunities in other African countries, through coordinating events such as Africa Day and Africa University day on the different campuses.

Responsibilities in the centre include the administration of the Africa Collaboration Grant associated with the bilateral partners and the administration of various Intra-Africa mobility programmes. In addition, the CCA host the secretariats of the AUDA-NEPAD Southern African Network of Water Centres of Excellence (AUDA-NEPAD SANWATCE) and the Partners Enhancing Resilience for People Exposed to Risks (PERIPERI U), and also support the activities related to the African Research Universities Alliance (ARUA) - linking numerous universities across the continent through thematic networks.

The CCA also facilitates SU's contribution to the AUDA-NEPAD Centre of Excellence in Science, Technology & Innovation (AUDA-NEPAD CoE in STI). Finally, the CCA host of the Stellenbosch University SDG/2063 Impact Hub, where we continue to raise awareness, create global partnerships and coordinate the collection of data to measure and communicate SU's contribution to the Sustainability Goals (both United Nations SDGs and African Union Agenda 2063)

2016

The PGIO is reorganised into two offices: Stellenbosch University International; and the Postgraduate Office. SU International – Theme: Rooted in Africa Global in Reach







Programme: Day 3

Wednesday, 15 March 2023: Wallenberg Research Centre, STIAS

08:00 **Arrival at STIAS**

08:30 – 10:00 **SIAN Panel 1: Leveraging multilateral collaboration to build bilateral partnership capital.**

Facilitator: Robert Kotzé, SU International

Dr Annim Heinemann, President SGROUP of Universities, Senior Executive Director, International Office, University of Bayreuth, Germany

Ms Orla McLaughlin, Executive Director, Academic Programs, Venice International University, Italy

Dr Vesna Hart, Director of Global Learning and Partnerships, James Madison University, USA (INU - International Network of Universities)

Prof Eric Osei-Assibey, Dean: International Programs, University of Ghana, Ghana

10:00 – 10:30 **Refreshment and comfort break**

10:30 – 12:00 **SIAN Panel 2: Embedding global education outcomes in institutional learning and teaching programme development: Only a challenge or possible reality?**

Facilitator: Werner de Wit, Programme Manager: Short term mobility, SU International

Joe Hoff, Director, Office of Global Education and Engagement, Office of International Programs, UNC Charlotte, USA

Julius Kokooma, Deputy Director, Directorate of Research and Graduate Training, Makerere University, Uganda

Marta Gómez Martínez, Academic Director for Internationalisation at Home, Universidad de Cantabria, Spain

2018

Celebrated 25 Years of International Relation: Theme
#iamstellenboschuniversityinternational



12:00 – 13:00

SIAN Spotlight: The Sustainable Development Agenda and Higher Education: Perspectives from Europe and Africa

SDG / 2063

Facilitator: **Dr Nico Elema**, Director: Centre for Collaboration in Africa, SU International

Dr Andrea Bandelli, Head of International Relations, & **Dr Henk van den Heuvel**, Director: Centre for International Cooperation, VU Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Prof Piet Kebuang Kenabatho, Environmental Science, University of Botswana, Botswana

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 15:30

SIAN Panel 3: Contextualizing Inclusive Internationalisation

Facilitator: **Sarah van der Westhuizen**, Director: Centre for Global Engagement, SU International

Sylvia Yazid, Head of Office for International Affairs and Cooperation, Parahyangan Catholic University, Indonesia

Jasna Bošnjović, Head of International Relations Office, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Hong Zhu, Senior Director of Global Education, University of Notre Dame, USA

15:30 – 16:00

Refreshment and Comfort break

16:00 – 17:00

Closing reflections

Facilitator: **Robert Kotzé**, SU International

Reflections and closing thoughts by invited participants.

17:00

Return to accommodation

International Food Evening, Tent on Rooiplein

2019

First Internationalisation Strategy





SU International Services Centre

Just the other day, we celebrated our 25-year anniversary as an office and in a blink of an eye we are now celebrating 30 years of internationalization at Stellenbosch University International. However, I was wondering if I could deduct two years, because 2020 and 2021 evaporated into thin air, but then I realized we had to be agile and resilient to continue servicing our international students -albeit mostly online.

When we look back at the past five years, it has been a roller coaster of highs and lows, but we can only look forward to more inspiring years!

We think fondly of our two colleagues, Nikey Carstens and Camelita Talmarkes, who suddenly passed away in 2020 and 2021 respectively. Their untimely passing was felt within our centre, but we will always treasure their memories in our hearts. We salute you colleagues and trust that you're smiling down on us and celebrate this 30 years celebration milestone too!

Covid taught us to appreciate each other, value time spend with loved ones, always cherish each moment, and live each day as if it's your last.

In 2022/2023, we have welcomed a total of 7 new colleagues who joined our SUI Services team, to strengthen our efforts to always deliver a one-stop service to all international visitors and students. We trust that each of them will add value to our team and strive to always deliver the best service to our international clientele!

SUI Services Centre is excited to see where the new adventure of marketing Stellenbosch University to prospective international students as an institution of excellence will take us, and only hope that SUI will go from strength to strength!

2023

Celebrating 30 years of internationalisation



Programme: Day 4

Thursday, 16 March 2023

10:00 – 15:00 **Study Abroad Fair, Tent on Rooiplein**

09:00 – 14:00 **International Student Recruitment Workshop**

Neelsie Cinema- Neelsie Student Centre

Maria Lindblad, International Marketing Manager, Lund University, Sweden

For SU staff

GALA EVENT IN THE ENDLER, CONSERVATORIUM

18:00 **Bites, Bubbly and Buoyancy in the Foyer**

19:00 **Concert – Karen Zoid**

20:00 **Anniversary message by Prof Hester Klopper**

Launch of two SU International initiatives:

Sustainable Development for the Africa We Want

SDG / 2063

The UNESCO Chair in Intercultural Competences

20:45 **Cookies, coffee and calling it a night....**

Programme: Day 5

Friday, 17 March 2023

8:15	Meeting at Krotoa and depart for Tygerberg and Bellville
09:00 – 13:30	Visit to Stellenbosch Business School Visit to Tygerberg International, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
13:30	Depart for wine estate excursion
14:15	Buon vino; buona compagnia; bella vita
16:00	Depart to accommodation
From 17:30	Transfer from accommodation
18:30	SU International celebration – La Pineta with international semester students Party, Spaß ... ein bisschen Traurigkeit ... Heimreise

Programme: Day 6

Saturday, 18 March 2023

8:30	Depart from Krotoa for excursion to Cape Town, Peninsula and Waterfront
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Africa Centre for Scholarship

The Africa Centre for Scholarship (ACS) ACS is home to the following three units:

SU – Unit for International Credentialing (SU-UIC): Supports the evaluation and quality assurance of foreign and international qualifications to enable access of eligible applicants to quality higher education institutions. Currently the Unit acts as the external quality assurer for Africa's first international school-leaving qualification, the Independent Examinations Board's International Secondary Certificate. The first round of examinations was deemed fair, reliable and valid by SU-UIC and took place in Namibia, Mozambique and Eswatini in 2022.

The African Doctoral Academy (ADA): Aims to strengthen Higher Education and research in Africa by delivering high-impact research and methodology training for prospective and current doctoral candidates, their supervisors and researchers from Africa and beyond. Recently, the ADA hosted its first in-person Summer School post Covid-19 in Stellenbosch, during January/February 2023 with delegates coming from South Africa, Kenya, Ethiopia, Uganda and Zimbabwe, attending 12 different courses facilitated by world class leaders in their respective fields. The ADA is excited to announce its Winter School taking place from 3 to 21 July 2023. The Winter School is open to all African and global scholars seeking to become established researchers in their fields.

The Emerging Scholars Initiative: is a collaborative project comprised of 12 Joint Schools at selected SU partner universities across Africa. The project focuses on emerging scholars comprising of doctoral students and early career researchers. The most recent joint school was hosted by Makerere University in Uganda from 20 – 24 February 2023. The school was attended by 49 delegates, 5 of which were from Stellenbosch University.

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SIAN 2023: Institutions sending delegates

76 universities from 37 countries

Country	Institution
Austria	Medical University of Graz
Belgium	KU Leuven
Belgium	University of Antwerp
Bosnia & Herzegovina	University of Sarajevo
Botswana	University of Botswana
Bulgaria	Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski
Cameroon	University of Buea
Canada	Université Laval
Colombia	Tecnologico de Antioquia
Colombia	UNIMINUTO
Czechia	University of Ostrava
Egypt	American University of Cairo
Estonia	Estonian Business School
Ethiopia	Bahir Dar University
France	Bordeaux INP
France	CY Cergy Paris University
France	ESSCA School of Management
France	Saint Cyr Military Academy
France	Université Grenoble Alpes
Germany	Frankfurt School of Finance & Management
Germany	HTWG Konstanz University of Applied Sciences
Germany	Leipzig University
Germany	SRH Berlin University of Applied Sciences
Germany	TU Dresden
Germany	University of Bayreuth
Germany	University of Education Weingarten
Germany	University of Freiburg
Germany	University of Hamburg
Germany	University of Hohenheim
Germany	University of Kiel
Germany	University of Stuttgart
Germany	University of Tübingen
Ghana	University of Ghana
Indonesia	Parahyangan Catholic University
Italy	Tor Vergata University of Rome
Italy	University of Padova

Italy	Venice International University
Japan	Tokyo University of Foreign Studies
Kenya	Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology
Kenya	Strathmore University
Madagascar	University of Antananarivo
Malawi	University of Malawi
Mauritius	University of Mauritius
Mozambique	Eduardo Mondlane University
Namibia	Namibia University of Science and Technology
Namibia	University of Namibia
Nigeria	University of Lagos
Poland	Silesian University of Technology
Portugal	NOVA University Lisbon
Portugal	University of Minho
Russia	European University at Saint Petersburg
Slovenia	University of Ljubljana
South Korea	Kyungpook National University (KNU)
Spain	Universidad de Cantabria
Sweden	Linnaeus University
Sweden	Lund University
Sweden	University of Gothenburg
Tanzania	Ardhi University
The Netherlands	University of Amsterdam
The Netherlands	University of Groningen
The Netherlands	VU Amsterdam
Uganda	Makerere University
UK	Coventry University
UK	Queen's University Belfast
UK	University of St Andrews
UK	University of Warwick
USA	James Madison University
USA	North Carolina State University
USA	Northwestern University
USA	United States Military Academy, Westpoint
USA	University of Arizona
USA	University of North Carolina, Charlotte
USA	University of Notre Dame
USA	University of Wisconsin Eau Claire
USA	West Virginia University
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