

# Fifth USAN conference

## 19 January to 21 January 2022



The Vosloo Chair was well represented at the recent fifth USAN conference for young scholars in literature, linguistics and applied linguistics.

Prof Ilse Feinauer, the Ton and Anet Vosloo Chair in Afrikaans Language Practice, was one of the keynote speakers at the conference and in her address she examined training in and research on Translation Studies in Africa.

In line with his interest in women who translate – particularly women who are primarily associated with a different career – Dr Danie Stander, the Vosloo postdoctoral fellow, concluded the conference with a paper on Anna Neethling-Pohl's translation of Shakespeare's Anthony and Cleopatra. He highlighted both the portrayal and the interpretation of gender and nationalism in this Afrikaans translation.

In her turn, Mareli Swart, a Vosloo bursary holder, presented the findings of her Honours research project. The project investigated which norms and ideological matters were at play in Martjie Bosman's 2017 translation of Polleke (2003) by Guus Kuijer. Mareli will start her MA in 2022.

The influence of the Vosloo Chair is clear in the postgraduate studies it funds, but is also visible in the way it enables young scholars to build networks and to identify new research possibilities.