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## CURRICULA VITAE OF SPEAKERS AND CHAIRPERSONS



### PROF. KADER ASMAL

Prof. Asmal was born in South Africa. In 1957 he obtained a BA degree from Unisa. He has since made his home in Ireland. Further qualifications obtained are the degrees LL B (London), LL M (London), Barrister (Lincoln's Inn) and MA (Dublin).

Prof. Asmal has been an initiating force on the anti-apartheid front. He is a founder member of the British Anti-apartheid Movement, which was established in 1960. He is also the Chairman of Irish Anti-apartheid Movement and the Vice-president of International Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa.

He is a participator in a wide variety of academic and public activities, among others, President: Irish Federation of University Teachers (1974-75), Founder and Chairman: Irish Council for Civil Liberties (1976-78), Vice-president: African Association of International Law (since 1986).

Prof. Asmal's present position is that of Senior Lecturer in Law at Trinity College in Dublin.

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### PROF. J.C. BEKKER

Prof. Bekker worked in the public service for 28 years until 1971 when he was seconded to the University of Zululand with the assignment to train black public servants in law and administration. In 1984 he returned to government service and joined Vista University in 1988.

He obtained his BA, LL B and LL D at Unisa. His speciality is what may be termed African law and African legal development. He has published about sixty articles, mainly on African customary law and typically Southern African constitutional and administrative issues. He is the author of several books. His main publication is an updated edition of a standard handbook on South African customary law, namely *Seymour's Customary Law in Southern Africa*.

He is presently head of the Department of Private Law at Vista University and Dean of the Faculty of Law.

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### DR FANIE CLOETE

Dr Cloete is currently Professor and Head of the Department of Development Studies at the Rand Afrikaans University. He is also Research Associate at the Business School of the University of the Witwatersrand and advocate of the Supreme Court of South Africa.

Prior to his present appointment, he was the head of Constitutional Planning and later Legal Administration in the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning in Pretoria. Earlier he held similar planning positions in the Office of the Prime Minister. In these capacities he was closely involved in policy analysis and planning as well as negotiation about political change in South Africa.

Dr Cloete holds the degrees B Iuris (Potchefstroom), LL B (Rand Afrikaans University), MA (cum laude) (Stellenbosch) and Ph D (Stellenbosch).

Dr Cloete specialises in political dynamics and constitutional law and has published various academic contributions on political attitudes, participation, minority protection, decentralisation, policy studies, human rights and negotiations. He has undertaken extensive research in Europe, the UK, Canada, the USA, South America and Southern Africa on different aspects of these issues.

The past few years he has concentrated on the problem of the political accommodation of minorities in society. He is also currently co-editing a proposed book by the Centre for Policy Studies on *Policy Options for South Africa in the Nineties*.



**MR KEITH COLEMAN**

Mr Coleman holds an MBA degree from the University of the Witwatersrand.

At present he is with the ANC Department of Economic Policy. He is also a consultant for trade unions and anti-apartheid groups.

Mr Coleman was held in solitary confinement for five months and was banned for two years.

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**PROF. DONAVON MARAIS**

Prof. Marais is the author of a book which has already been reprinted five times. The latest revised edition of this work is published under the title *South Africa: Constitutional Development: a Multi-disciplinary Approach*. He is presently working on a comparative study of the public service systems of twelve countries. Further publications include 23 articles on public finance and public administration theory.

Prof. Marais has also addressed several conferences, the papers of which were published. At present he is Professor in the Department of Public Administration at Unisa.

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Mr Masemola holds the degrees BA (Unisa), LL B (Unisa), LL B (London), UED (Rhodes).

Mr Masemola was born in Sekhukhuneland and educated at St. Peter's, Johannesburg and Fort Hare University. This was followed by a period of teaching at the Lady Selborne High School, Pretoria. He left South Africa in October 1957 for the UK, Zambia and Ethiopia.

He is a former Senior Legal Officer of the United Nations and in 1988 he was a Visiting Scholar of Columbia Law School.

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Mr Motshekga holds the degrees B Iuris (Unisa), LL B (Unisa) and LL M (Harvard Law School).

During his stay in the USA, Mr Motshekga read papers at Harvard, Boston and Yale Universities. He also visited West Germany for research purposes. There he was a guest lecturer at Albert Ludwigs University, Freiburg and at Bayreuth University.

Mr Motshekga is a former chairperson of the Democratic Lawyers Congress of South Africa and is presently one of three vice-presidents of the National Association of Democratic Lawyers. In 1984 he was enrolled as advocate of the Supreme Court of South Africa.

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He has worked as a regional organiser with Sached Trust and was associated with Mobil Oil from 1979-1985. He is presently Executive Director of the Centre for the Development of Human Resources, Johannesburg.

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#### DR LEHLOHONOLO S. PEKANE

Dr Pekane is Chief Representative of the ANC to Belgium, Luxembourg and the Institutions of the European Community, based in Brussels.

In 1978 he obtained the L LM degree from Sofia University, Bulgaria. In 1981 he obtained a Ph D and a Diploma in International Law, also from Sofia University.

Mr Pekane has worked for the ANC on a full-time basis ever since his exile in 1964. He has delivered papers at several conferences in Europe and Africa. At present, he is working on an update of his doctoral thesis for publication under the title *The Significance of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid and the Development of Modern International Law*.

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#### PROF. A.J.G.M SANDERS

Prof. Sanders was born in the Netherlands and obtained his professional qualifications in South Africa. He holds the degrees BA (Pretoria), BA Law (Unisa) and LL M (Victoria University Wellington), Advocate of the Supreme Court of South Africa (1977), Advocate of the High Court of Lesotho (1977) and Advocate of the High Court of Botswana (1981). He is currently Principal Researcher in the Institute of Foreign and Comparative Law and Associate Professor in the Faculty of Law at Unisa.

Prof. Sanders has initiated numerous academic meetings on such topics as law reform, internal conflict of laws, legal cultures and alternative structures for Southern African interaction, of which the proceedings were published. He has also addressed a number of congresses and conferences in other parts of the world. He has been the editor of the Swaziland Law Reports from 1970 onwards and was co-editor of the Lesotho Law Reports, from 1976 to 1977.

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### PROF. ROBERT SCHRIRE

Robert Schrire is currently Professor of Political Studies at the University of Cape Town and founder and Director of the Institute for the Study of Public Policy.

He obtained a degree in commerce from the University of Cape Town before attending several American universities including Columbia (business administration) and California (politics).

Prior to accepting his present position, he taught economics and politics at the University of California, the State University of New York, and Johns Hopkins University in Washington DC. He also worked as a consultant to the Rockefeller Foundation.

He has published widely in the fields of politics and economics. His most recent books include 'Critical Choices for South Africa' (Oxford University Press 1990) and *The Botha Era* (Council on Foreign Relations, New York).

In addition to his academic duties in Cape Town, Professor Schrire is a consultant to the Ford Foundation, and a regular broadcaster for Singapore Radio and the ABC television network.

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### MR DONALD J. SIMPSON

Mr Simpson holds a BA (Mathematical Politics) degree from the University of Essex. He is currently a full-time post-graduate student at the University of Potchefstroom, studying for an MA in Political Science.

Mr Simpson's experience of electoral systems goes as far back as 1970 when he was a member of the Electoral Reform Society in London. For the next sixteen years he was actively involved in the administration of voting systems and their applications. He observed and administered elections in North America, Europe and Africa. He also advised on and administered elections for private and public institutions in the British Isles. He prepared detailed studies of the South African Senate elections and the electoral system of Denmark, with special reference to its impact on the mathematical aspects of the system.

He is a consultant in interpreting statistical data on elections and its implications, to several institutions, political parties, radio networks and newspapers, among which, the UK newspapers, *Daily Telegraph* and the *Daily Mirror*, as well as the Independent Radio Network (UK), the Independent Radio Network of South Africa.

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### DR CONRAD BAREND STRAUSS

Dr Strauss was born in Upington, Cape and holds the degrees BA (Rhodes), MS (Cornell), Ph D (Rhodes) and AMP (Harvard).

After a period as lecturer at Rhodes University, he joined the Standard Bank in December 1963. In 1985 he became Group Managing Director of the Standard Bank Investment Corporation.

Apart from being member of the State President's Economic Advisory Council, he also Governor of the Urban Foundation, Governor of the University of the Witwatersrand Foundation, Chairman of the South African Institute of International Affairs as well as various other trusteeships.

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### PROF. ANDRÉ E.A.M. THOMASHAUSEN

Prof. Thomashausen is currently the Director of the Institute of Foreign and Comparative Law at Unisa. He holds the degree Dr Jur (Kiel). He is a Sworn Translator of the Supreme Court of South Africa, in German, English, French and Portuguese.

Prof. Thomashausen has produced over seventy academic and general publications and papers read at international conferences. He has also delivered over 400 expert opinions on private as well as public international, comparative and constitutional law. He acted as negotiator and consultant for the Lesotho Highlands Water Project (1984-1986), the establishment of the Government of National Unity in Namibia (1984) and for the government of Kenya in regard to internal conflicts in Mozambique (1989). He is on the editorial boards of several law publications and he is a board member of the Unisa Centre for Latin American Studies.

Prof. Thomashausen has extensive experience in legal corporate services, international contract negotiation and African foreign investment laws.

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### PROF. MARINUS WIECHERS

Prof. Wiechers attended the Afrikaans Boys' High School in Pretoria and obtained the degrees BA (Law), LL B and LL D at the University of Pretoria. In 1966 he was appointed to the Chair of Constitutional and Public International Law at Unisa, a position which he still holds.

He also studied in France, the United States, Germany, England and Spain. In 1970-71 he was a member of South Africa's legal team in the SWA/Namibia case before the World Court. He served as legal adviser to the Erika Theron Commission and the Du Preez Commission, and was an adviser to the Damaras and Tswanas at the Turnhalle Conference. He assisted the governments of Bophuthatswana and Ciskei in the drafting of their constitutions and was the chairman of the Buthelezi Commission's Constitutional Committee. He was the chairman of the Bophuthatswana government's commission of enquiry into local authorities and chaired the HSRC's constitutional working committee on intergroup relationships, while serving as a member of the main committee. He was subsequently appointed as legal adviser to the National Transport Policy Study and the Federation of Chambers of Industry. At the Natal/Kwazulu Indaba he was a member of the Constitutional Committee and he is now a member of the steering committee. In 1990 he was a co-drafter of the Namibian Constitution.

He serves on the Boards of several welfare, cultural and academic organisations and he was the honorary chairman of the South African National Council for Mental Health. He has written a number of books and articles on South African constitutional and administrative law, as well as on international law.

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Denis Worrall is a political scientist and lawyer. He obtained the degrees BA Hon and MA from the University of Cape Town, an LL B from the University of South Africa and a Ph D from Cornell University. He held various academic appointment in universities in the USA, Nigeria and South Africa. He has been in public life since 1974 and among the positions he has held are Ambassador to Australia and Ambassador to the Court of St. James. He is presently Member of Parliament for the Durban constituency of Berea and a founding member of the Democratic Party of South Africa.

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