# Research and Innovation Awards Ceremony Friday, 6 March 2020

# The Ballroom, Gallagher Convention Centre

# **Programme Director**

Dr G.L. James
Deputy Director, Community Engagement, Unisa

## Arrival

Cocktails in Foyer

### Welcome and House Rules

## Context

Professor T. Meyiwa Vice-Principal: Research, Postgraduate Studies, Innovation and Commercialisation Portfolio, Unisa

### **Address**

Professor M.S. Makhanya Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Unisa

## Research @ Unisa

### 2019 Chancellor's Prize

# 2019 Women in Research Awards

Youngest Female Doctoral Graduate Award Emerging Researcher Award Leadership in Research Award

# National Research Foundation (NRF) Awards

2019 NRF Late Awards

2020 NRF Awards: Y-Rated Researchers C-Rated Researchers B-Rated Researchers

## **Dinner**

Gaabo Motho Tenors

2019 Senate Publications Committee | Hiddingh-Currie Award

2019 Prestigious External Research Awards and Recognitions

2019 Half Million Rand Club Awards

2019 Million Rand Club Awards

2019 Innovation Awards

The Conversation Research Communication Recognition Awards 2019

# **Vote of Thanks**

Dr S.D. Selematsela Executive Director: Library and Information Services, Unisa

## Dessert

Gaabo Motho Tenors

## Tea and Coffee

### 2019 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research

Prof M.A. Antwi, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Prof M.N. Davids, College of Education Prof M.S. Dhlamini, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Prof D.W. Hedding, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Prof S.Y. Ho, College of Economic and Management Sciences Prof A.K. Mishra, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Prof M.S. Ngoepe, College of Human Sciences Prof G. Nhamo, College of Economic and Management Sciences Prof Z. Wang, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

#### 2019 Women in Research Awards

## **Youngest Female Doctoral Graduate Award** Dr S. van der Merwe, College of Human Sciences

# **Emerging Researcher Award**

Dr I.I. Setlhodi, College of Education

### Leadership Award

Prof Z.Z. Nkosi, College of Human Sciences

### National Research Foundation (NRF) Awards

### 2019 NRF Late Awards

Prof M. Khumalo, C3, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

Prof E. Baloyi, C2, College of Human Sciences Prof E. Bornman, C2 College of Human Sciences Prof A.D. Kreuiter, C2 College of Human Sciences Prof G.F Snyman, C2 College of Human Sciences

Prof S.M. Ndlovu, C1, College of Graduate Studies

### 2020 NRF Awards

## **NRF Y-Rated Researchers**

Dr F. Chaterera-Zambuko, Y2, College of Human Sciences Dr J.R. Maluleka, Y2, College of Human Sciences Dr P.S. Mbule, Y2, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Dr A.A. Muleja, Y2 College of Science, Engineering and Technology Dr L.L. Noto, Y2, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

## **NRF C-Rated Researchers**

Prof A. Grobler, C3, Graduate School of Business Leadership Prof A.E. Hesselink, C3, College of Law Prof B.M. Mothudi, C3, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

Prof A. Bezuidenhout, C2, College of Economic and Management Sciences Prof G.P. Coetzee, C2, College of Accounting Sciences Dr C.G. Gray, C2, College of Human Sciences Prof O. Ighedo, C2, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Dr A.T. Kuvarega, C2, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Prof M. le Roux, C2, College of Human Sciences Prof K.J. Maphunye, C2, College of Human Sciences Prof A. Minnaar, C2, College of Law Prof L.E. Mnguni, C2, College of Education Prof E. Mnkandla, C2, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Prof O.B. Onyancha, C2, College of Human Sciences

> Prof H.B. Ebrahim, C1, College of Education Prof S.A. Smulders, C1, College of Accounting Sciences

## NRF B-Rated Researcher

Prof M.J. Masenya, B3, College of Human Sciences

# 2019 Senate Publications Committee | Hiddingh-Currie Award

Tiyo Soga: A Literary History Dr J. Davis

# KORA: The Heritage Texts of the Lost Khoesan Language of South Africa

Dr M. du Plessis

### 2019 Prestigious External Research Awards and Recognitions

Prof M. Budeli, College of Law Appointed to SA Law Reform Commission

Prof Emeritus J. Carruthers, College of Human Sciences Editor-in-Chief, South African Journal of Science

Prof L.J. Erasmus, College of Accounting Sciences Member: South African Financial and Fiscal Commission

Prof M.T. Gumbo, College of Education Editor-in-Chief: Action Learning and Action Research Journal (ALARj)

Prof M.R. de Villiers, College of Science, Engineering and Technology and

Prof A. Davis, College of Economic and Management Sciences First prize. Teaching of Research Methodology Excellence Awards

> Prof M. Maaza, College of Graduate Studies International ICO Galileo Galilei Medal The Order of Mapungubwe: Sliver

Prof M.S. Makhanya, Vice Chancellor and Principal of Unisa Honorary Fellowship of the Commonwealth of Learning

Prof B.B. Mamba, Executive Dean: College of Science, Engineering and Technology One Thousand Talent of Foreign Experts, Tiangong University, Government of Tianjin

Dr M.A. Nyila, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Country Ambassador to South Africa, American Society for Microbiology (ASM)

Prof P. Prinsloo, College of Economic and Management Sciences First Fellow from Africa, Member: European Distance and E-Learning Network

Dr A.E. Tshibalo, Department of Tuition Support and Facilitation of Learning (DTSFL)
Ambassador: International Geothermal Association (IGA) South Africa

Prof L.I. Zungu, Executive Dean: College of Graduate Studies TW Kambule-NSTF Award: Researcher 2019 GLAMOUR South Africa Women of the Year Award

# 2019 Half Million Rand Club Awards

Dr L.A. de Kock, College of Science, Engineering and Technology IRG - BRICS Multilateral Grant

Prof K.H. Jordaan, College of Economic and Management Sciences Royal Society-Newton Advanced Fellowship for the Research Project on Properties of Semi-classical Orthogonal Polynomials

> Dr A.T. Kuvarega, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Water Research Commission SA, Grant

Prof A.K. Mishra, College of Science, Engineering and Technology
IRG - Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR) & National Research Foundation (NRF) - International Bilateral Research
Cooperation Programme

Prof M. Mkansi, College of Economic and Management Sciences DST-NRF Conference Fund

Prof R.T. Mpofu, College of Economic and Management Sciences African Union for Various Research Projects Aligned to the Agenda 2063

## 2019 Million Rand Club Awards

Prof M.S. Dhlamini, College of Science, Engineering and Technology NRF National Equipment Programme: Plasma Enhanced Chemical Vapour Deposition (PECVD) System Grant

Prof D.W. Hedding, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences IRG - National Natural Science Foundation of China / NRF Research Cooperation Programme

Prof X. Liu and Prof D. Hildebrandt, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Joint Research Lab with Zhejiang University of Technology Prof K.M. Malan, College of Economic and Management Sciences NRF Competitive Grant: Automated Algorithm Selection for Optimisation

Prof T.S. Matambo, College of Science, Engineering and Technology South African National Energy Development Institute (SANEDI) Funding

Prof S.P. Mokoena, College of Education Education, Training and Development Practices Sector Education and Training Authority (ETDP. SETA) Grant

> Prof M.J. Mphahlele, College of Science, Engineering and Technology Competitive Programme for Rated Researchers Grant

Dr L. Ncube, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences IRG- National Natural Science Foundation of China / NRF Research Cooperation Programme

Prof P. Prinsloo, College of Economic and Management Sciences Riksbankens Jubileumsfond, Compagnia di San Paolo Novo Nordisk Foundation and VolkwagenStiftung Grant

> Prof C. van Zyl, College of Economic and Management Sciences Erasmus + Programme Staff Mobility Agreement for Teaching and Training Grant

## 2019 Innovation Awards

2019 VP: Research, Postgraduate Studies, Innovation and Commercialisation Most Prolific Innovator over the Past Five Years Joint Winners:

Prof M. Mkansi and College of Economic and Management Sciences Prof L.W. Snyman, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

Most Prolific Innovator in 2019: Industrial Property Category Prof M. Maaza, College of Graduate Studies

Most Prolific Innovator in 2019: Copyright Protected Innovation Category Prof M. Mkansi, College of Economic and Management Sciences

First Patent Granted in Examining Jurisdictions / Country Award: Fixed Bed Reactor (Australia 2018) Prof D. Glasser, Prof D. Hildebrandt and Prof X. Lu, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

First Patent Granted in South Africa Award: Waste Beer Recovery Prof J.D. Dewar and Mr C. Groeneveld, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences

First Patent Granted in South Africa Award: Recovery of Crude Oil Prof T.A.M. Msagati, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

First Patent Granted in South Africa Award: A Power System Prof L.W. Snyman, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

First Patent Granted in South Africa Award: Irrigation Sprinkler Prof H. Stoffberg, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences

2019 Patent Application Incentive: A Process for Treating Acid Mine Drainage Dr K.K. Kebede and Prof B.B. Mamba, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

2019 Patent Application Incentive: Nanofluids and a Method of Making Nanofluids Prof M. Maaza, College of Graduate Studies

2019 Patent Application Incentive: Anti-cancer Drug Combination Prof M.M. Ntwasa, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences

## The Conversation Research Communication Recognition Awards for 2019

Highest Number of Contributions Dr R. Cassim, College of Law and Prof D.J. Kotzé, College of Human Sciences

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