

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Unisa official opening ceremony of the 2021 Academic year

The University of South Africa (Unisa) will be hosting its official opening ceremony of the 2021 academic year on Friday, 12 February 2021. The opening address will be delivered by Professor Puleng LenkaBula, the first woman to hold the post of Principal and Vice Chancellor in the 148-year history of the university. Professor LenkaBula's appointment is an important milestone for the university and underlines its commitment to transformation, academic excellence and scholarship.

The opening ceremony will provide an opportunity to highlight the university's achievements and acknowledge performance of staff as well as outline plans for the 2021 academic year. The top performing students in the various colleges will be acknowledged and celebrated.

A moment of silence will be observed in remembrance of staff members who lost their lives due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Amongst those to be remembered is Unisa Council member Mrs Dolly Mokgatle, who died in January 2021.

The event will take place as follows:

Date : Friday, 12 February 2021

Platform : Virtual - Microsoft Teams

Time : 10:00

Members of the media are invited to join in this historic event. Kindly find the online link in the attached invitation.

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