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UNISA EXPERTS AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE THOUGHT LEADERSHIP AND EXPERT COMMENTARY ON THE BUDGET VOTE SPEECH

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The Minister of Finance, the Honourable Enoch Godongwana will deliver the 2024 National Budget Vote Speech in Parliament on Wednesday, 21 February 2024 at 14:00.

The Budget Vote Speech is an annual programme of Parliament, where the Minister of Finance, following delivery of the State of the Nation Address (SoNA) by the President, outlines all the financial, economic and social commitments that the government will prioritise in its planned annual expenditure.

The Budget Vote Speech is also one of the issues of national interest that attract interest from economists, businesspeople, political commentators, academics and the public at large.

As per standing practice, the University of South Africa (Unisa) will avail several academics from across its various colleges and portfolios to provide thought leadership and expert commentary on the Budget Vote Speech. They are as follows:

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On the same day, the College of Accounting Sciences at Unisa will also host its 6th Annual Budget Breakfast to unpack and make projections to the Minister's speech. The details of the event are as follows:

Date : Friday, 23 February 2024
Time : 09:00 – 11:00
Venue : Function Hall, 4th Floor, Kgorong Building, Unisa Muckleneuk Campus, Pretoria

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the event. They may also attend via the link [Click here to Join.](#)

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