



## MEDIA ADVISORY

## A Memorial Lecture and Roundtable Discussion in honour of Dr Andrew Mlangeni to be held at Unisa

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Professor Puleng LenkaBula, the Principal and Vice Chancellor of the University of South Africa (UNISA), in partnership with the June and Andrew Mlangeni Foundation, chaired by the Deputy Minister in the Presidency responsible for Women, Youth and People with Disabilities will hold a Memorial Lecture and Roundtable Discussion in honour of the late struggle stalwart, Isithwalandwe Dr Andrew Mlangeni.

This Memorial Lecture and Roundtable Discussion is part of the objective to keep alive the legacy of this icon, who was the last surviving Rivonia Trialist before his passing in 2020. This legacy remains a beacon from which the nation can continue to kindle and illuminate its own path. Dr Mlangeni was known for his resilience against human adversity, calmness in the face of personal turbulence and resolute disposition and conviction to conquer one's fear in order to carry the burdens of others. He remained an important voice in South African politics until his passing.

Dr Mlangeni, an alumnus and recipient of the *DLitt et Phil* (*honoris causa*) from Unisa, is of a glorious era characterised by integrity and revolutionary morality, the same traits that define Charlotte Maxeke (nee Mannya) and their peers. It is thus fitting that this inaugural Memorial Lecture and Roundtable Discussion takes place in the year that the country remembers and celebrates the life and times of Charlotte Maxeke, that courageous doyen of our struggle who left an indelible mark on the history of the struggle in South Africa.

The Memorial Lecture and Roundtable Discussion will be held under the theme: "Integrity and Revolutionary Ethics in The Year of Charlotte Maxeke".

Amongst the eminent speakers at this event will be the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, the Honourable Ronald Lamola, the Principal and Vice Chancellor of Unisa, Professor Puleng LenkaBula, the Gauteng MEC for Sports, Arts, Culture and Recreation, the Honourable Mbali Hlophe and a senior ANC member, Febe Potgieter-Gqubule.

There will also be a panel discussion following the lecture, comprised of the following panel members:

Mr Mzwanele Ntshwanti : The Rivonia Trial

Ms M Khosi : Life at the Robben Island

Mr K Morifi : Military Training in China

o Dr L Motsomotso : Involvement in the Armed Struggle

Prof Z Motsa: A generally Disciplined Leader

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Date: Sunday, 06 June 2021

Time : 12:00 - 16:00

Venue: ZK Matthews Great Hall, Winnie Madikizela-Mandela Buildings, Unisa Main

Campus, Pretoria

**Note:** This event will take place in hybrid format in compliance with the Covid-19 Adjusted Level 2 rules, with the main participants physically present at the venue, while the rest of the guests can follow the proceedings virtually.

In view of this, only some media houses will be allowed to cover the event physically, while others are encouraged to do it through the virtual platform by using the link below.

Please see the below RSVP links:

- Virtual RSVP Link <a href="https://rapidq.co.za/dashboard/#/register/2269/0/1">https://rapidq.co.za/dashboard/#/register/2269/0/1</a>
- In-Person RSVP Link <a href="https://rapidq.co.za/dashboard/#/register/2270/0/1">https://rapidq.co.za/dashboard/#/register/2270/0/1</a>

Webinar Platform Link - <a href="https://event.webinarjam.com/register/156/krlw0s5m">https://event.webinarjam.com/register/156/krlw0s5m</a>

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