SEMINAR PROGRAMME

OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN IMPLEMENTING THE AFRICAN CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA

| 05 March 2021 | WELCOME EVENT- 1800- 19:30 | |
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| Programme Director and Chair: Dr Vuyo Mjimba | | |
| 10:00-10:05 | Opening Remarks | Prof C. Hendricks |
| 10:05- 10:25 | The prospects for viable economic integration in Africa | Prof Mario Scerri Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Economic Research on Innovation, Tshwane University of Technology |
| 10:25-10:40 | What goods and services can initiate greater intra Africa trade? | Dr Nkisang Moeti President, Moeti Practicum Institute, Botswana |
| 10:40-10:55 | Off the beaten track a new economic development orthodoxy for Africa? | Research and Development Consulting (Pty) and Honorary Research Fellow, Human Science Research Council (Pretoria) |
| 10:55-11:10 | Tackling the present and future global crises without compromising the Africa development agenda | Dr Michael Ehis Odijie, Research, Fellow, University College London |
| 11:10-11:15 | COMFORT BREAK | |
| 11: 15-11:30 | Discussants | Prof Busani Moyo, College of Economic and Management Sciences School of Economic and Financial Sciences Department Economics University of South Africa Dr. Mamello Nchake, Senior Research Fellow Trade Industry and Private Sector Development Botswana Institute for Development Policy Analysis |

| | | Dr. Precious N Ndlovu, Senior Lecturer Mercantile and Labour Law Department, Faculty of Law University of the Western Cape |
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| 11:30-12:20 | Open Discussion | |
| 12:20-12:25 | The way forward | Dr. Garth Le Pere |
| 12:25-12:30 | Closing remarks | Dr. Thokozani Simelane |