HSRC Seminars and Conferences

International conferences

4 to 6 June 2008 | Conference on the potentialities for and challenges of constructing a democratic developmental state in South Africa | HSRC Policy Analysis Unit | Cradle of Humankind, Johannesburg, SA.

27 to 28 November 2008 | The international symposium on knowledge and transformation, social and human sciences in Africa | joint symposium hosted by HSRC, ISSC, DST, AISA, NRF, DAC, BASA, CODESRIA, ASSAF | Stellenbosch, South Africa.

National conferences

19 to 21 May 2008 | Poverty indicators & social innovation for poverty reduction | DST in conjunction with HSRC Policy Analysis Unit | Boksburg, South Africa.

Seminars and public lectures¹

6 March 2008 | HIV testing and HIV status in South Africa. MSM and WSW: results from a community-based study | Dr Theo Stanford, Associate Professor, Columbia University, New York.

10 March 2008 | The role of media in a democracy | Claire McCaffery Griffin, vice president for education programmes, Bill of Rights Institute, USA.

11 March 2008 | Citizen report cards - key to monitoring service delivery in South Africa | Craig Schwabe, chief research specialist, Knowledge Systems, HSRC.

10 April 2008 | Impacting politics with the humanities: the cases of Mapuche Women's poetry writing |
Soledad Falabella Luco, Associate Professor, University of Diego Portales, Chile.

13 May 2008 | Being good in a bad world: Social representations of morality among South African township youth | Dr Sharlene Swartz, postdoctoral fellow in the HSRC Children, Youth, Family and Social Development research programme.

24 June 2008 | The economy of peace in Israel-Palestine: A public forum with visiting scholars from the Palestinian West Bank | chaired by Dr Virginia Tilley, chief research specialist, Democracy and Governance research programme, HSRC.

15 July 2008 | Transnational teacher migration in South Africa: A Rising Tide? | Dr Sadhna Manik, University of KZN; Anthony Egbers, Global Education; and Professor Mary Metcalfe, University of Witwatesrand

6 August 2008 | 14 years of National Women's Days: progress or platitudes? | Moderated by Ferial Haffajee, editor, Mail & Guardian. Speakers: Pregs
Govender, independent writer and activist; Dr Pumla Dineo Gqola, Professor of Literature, Wits; Dr Claudia Mitchell , Professor of Education, McGill; Sello Hatang, South African Human Rights Commission; Dr Lulama Makhubela, Development Bank of South Africa.

12 August 2008 | The OECD review of South Africa's national system of innovation – a summary of social scientific perspective one year later | Julien Rumbelow, Knowledge Systems, HSRC.

19 August 2008 | Personal finance for women | Lyndylle Graham, wealth coach, Standard Bank Financial Consultancy; Lynn van Heerden, Your Onsite Solutions Consultant.

22 August 2008 | Flexible modelling of agedependent infectious disease transmission rates using seroprevalence data in combination with social contact data | Professor Marc Aerts, Department of Biostatistics, Universiteit Hasselt, Belgium.

All seminars were held at the video-conferencing centres of the HSRC in Pretoria, Cape Town and Durban, except where mentioned differently

- 16 September 2008 | Risk factors to child maltreatment and limitations in statutory care mechanisms: Children's courts in the Western Cape | Dr Mokhantšo Makoae with co-investigators Prof Andy Dawes and Dr Cathy Ward, HSRC.
- 23 September 2008 | Xenophobic or negrophobic attacks: Mobs of hate: A photojournalist's account of the xenophobic violence | James Oatway, senior photographer, Sunday Times newspaper; and Dr Zonke Majodina, deputy chairperson, South African Human Rights Commission.
- 29 September 2008 | Universal action now!
 Reflections on the XXII International AIDS Conference
 and lessons for SA | Professor Leickness Simbayi,
 Professor Thomas Rehle and Dr Olive Shisana, HSRC;
 and Dr Connie Kganakga, Department of Social
 Development.
- **13 October 2008** | World-wide differences in the social acceptance of homosexuality: How can we understand them? | Dr Theo Sandfort, Columbia University, New York.
- **22 October 2008** | Consultation and participation: Strategies of legitimation in the policy processes of the Communal Land Rights Act | Dr Elizabeth Fortin, ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowship at IDPM, Manchester University, UK.
- **3 November 2008** | National Cancer Awareness Day: What I know for sure | Ms Molebatsi Pooe-Shongwe, healthcare & health rights educator.
- 6 November 2008 | War and peace in Africa | Professor Tom Lodge, Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Limerick, Ireland.
- **12 November 2008** | Dealing with missing data | Dr Mbithi wa Kivilu, Mr Mandla Diko and Ms Lolita Winnaar, Knowledge Systems, HSRC.
- **25 November 2008** | A woman battered is one too many: Advancing social justice for women and children within the criminal justice system | public roundtable hosted by Thohoyandou Victim Empowerment Centre, and the African Gender Institute, University of Cape Town.

- **15 January 2009** | Law and politics of the Gaza crisis | Professor Max du Plessis, Law School, University of KwaZulu-Natal; and Dr Virginia Tilley, Democracy and Governance programme, HSRC.
- 24 January 2009 | Couples HIV risk-reduction intervention and medication adherence intervention among HIV positive women | Drs Stephen Weiss and Deborah Jones, University of Miami, USA.
- **27 January 2009** | The sharing of social science data: A response to a new paradigm | Faye Reagon, HSRC Director: Information Services; and Lucia Lotter, HSRC Information and Technology Services.
- **5 February 2009** | Imagining the second wave of South African FET College research | Dr Simon McGrath, Professor of International Education and Development, University of Nottingham, UK.
- **16 February 2009** | Ethnicity and the state, with special reference to southern Africa | Dr Professor Reinhart Kössler, senior research fellow, Arnold Bergstraesser Institute, Germany.
- 5 March 2009 | The cultural aspects of innovation, including 'grass roots' innovations | Dr Andrew Jamison, Professor of Technology and Society, Aalborg University, Denmark.
- 10 March 2009 | Teacher quality and learning outcomes | Dr Linda Chisholm and Mr Hlengani Baloyi, Education, Science and Skills Development, HSRC.
- 24 March 2009 | Debate on crime | Professor Antanas Mockus, Mayor of Bogota, Colombia, Minister of Safety and Security Nathi Mthethwa, deputy national chairperson of the Inkatha Freedom Party Velaphi Ndlovu, DA spokesperson Dianne Kohler-Barnard, (ID) MP Lance Greyling. Facilitated by Professor Adam Habib, deputy vice chancellor of the University of Johannesburg.
- 16 January to 26 March 2009 | Elections 2009 | Series on the election manifestoes of different political parties hosted by the Native Club in partnership with the HSRC. Speakers included Thandi Modise; Professor Ben Turok; Max Sisulu of the ANC; Patricia de Lille, leader of the Independent Democrats; Ian Davidson, Democratic Alliance; and Bantu Holomisa, leader of the United Democratic Movement.