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Conference on

POLITICAL RIGHTS SINCE 1994

Venue: Constitutional Court Auditorium, Constitution Hill, Johannesburg

Provisional Programme

Thursday, 29 May 2014	
08:30 – 09:00	Arrival, Registration, and Tea
09:00 – 09:10	<p>Welcome</p> <p>David Bilchitz, University of Johannesburg, Faculty of Law & Director, South African Institute for Advanced Constitutional, Public, Human Rights and International Law</p>
09:10 – 10:30	<p>Session 1: The Media's Relationship with Democracy</p> <p><i>This panel will take the form of a Q&A session where members of the media will discuss their role in fostering democracy in South Africa.</i></p> <p>Waldimar Pelsler, Editor of Rapport</p> <p>Verashni Pillay, Associate Editor of the Mail & Guardian</p> <p>Third Panellist, TBC</p> <p>Moderator: Ylva Rodny-Gumede, University of Johannesburg, Department of Journalism</p>
10:30 – 11:00	Tea
11:00 – 13:00	<p>Session 2: The Conditions of an Inclusive and Robust Democracy</p> <p>David Bilchitz <i>Socio-Economic Rights and Political Rights: Exploring the Interconnection</i></p> <p>Charles Fombad, University of Pretoria, Faculty of Law, Institute for International and Comparative Law in Africa <i>A Constitutional Political Rights Agenda to Counter the Authoritarian Impulses of Africa's Dominant Political Parties</i></p> <p>Mia Swart, University of Johannesburg, Faculty of Law <i>Exporting Human Rights: The Prisoner Voting Dilemma</i></p> <p>Oliver Fuo, University of the North-West, Postdoctoral Fellow <i>Local Democracy in Post-Apartheid Local Government: Making an Over-Ambitious Legal Framework Responsive to the Needs of Impoverished South Africans</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mispa Roux, University of Johannesburg, Faculty of Law</p>

13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 3: The Internal Regulation of Political Parties</p> <p>Pierre de Vos, University of Cape Town, Faculty of Law <i>It's My Party (and I'll Cry If I Want To)?: Internal Party Democracy and Section 19 of the South African Constitution</i></p> <p>Tumo Maloka, University of Fort Hare, Faculty of Law <i>The Right to Participate in the Activities of a Political Party: Reflections on Political Wrangling and Judicial Ordering of Internal Party Contestations</i></p> <p>Michael Dafel, University of Johannesburg, South African Institute for Advanced Constitutional, Public, Human Rights and International Law <i>The Application of Fundamental Rights and the Constitutional Nature of Political Parties</i></p> <p>Moderator: Roxan Venter, University of Johannesburg, Faculty of Law</p>
15:30 – 16:00	Tea
16:00 – 17:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 4: Electoral Reform: Party Funding, Transparency, and Accountability</p> <p>Gregory Solik, My Vote Counts <i>Is South Africa's Electoral System for Sale? An Analysis of the Constitutional Obligation to Regulate Money in Politics Based on Section 19 of the Constitution</i></p> <p>Nurina Ally & Ben Winks, Webber Wentzel <i>Equity and Transparency in the Funding of Political Parties: Is the Ballot Being Outweighed by the Wallet?</i></p> <p>Johan Kruger, Centre for Constitutional Rights <i>Section 47(3)(C) of The Constitution, Parliament and the Values of Accountability, Openness and Responsiveness</i></p> <p>Moderator: Andrew Konstant, University of Johannesburg, South African Institute for Advanced Constitutional, Public, Human Rights and International Law</p>
17:30 – 18:00	Transfer to Dinner for Speakers
18:00 – 20:00	Dinner