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Southern African Chapter of the Association for Information Systems

**AISSAC Seminar
28 September 2015**

A Better World with IS: Research Methods and Opportunities

Location: STIAS Wallenberg Centre

Chairperson: Emma Coleman

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**Fee per attendee: R1500
Fee per student attendee: R1000**

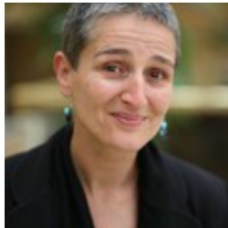
PROGRAMME

08:00-09:00: REGISTRATION/TEA/COFFEE

09:00-10:00: KEYNOTE SESSION

TOPIC: USING Grounded Theory for ICT4D: A Missed Opportunity?

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Professor Cathy Urquhart, Manchester Metropolitan University



Cathy Urquhart is Professor of Digital and Sustainable Business at Manchester Metropolitan University Business School, and a previous Head of Research at MMU. She is the author of *Grounded Theory for Qualitative Research*, published by Sage, which has had an excellent reception. Her research interests include the use of digital innovation for societal good, and also grounded theory. She is a previous Senior Editor for *MIS Quarterly*, and is an Editorial Board member for the *Information Systems Journal* and *Information Technology and Development*.

She has published in many top journals such as the *Journal of the Association of Information Systems*, the *European Journal of Information Systems*, *Journal of Information Technology*, *Information Systems Journal*, and others.

10:00-10:30: ICT4D in the South African Context

CHAIR: Hussein Suleman

PLENARY SPEAKER: Judy van Biljon

10:30-11:00: TEA/COFFEE

11:00-11:30: SHORT TALKS

TOPIC: Methods for Making a Better World

SPEAKER: Kirstin Krauss, Sense-making in ICT4D social situations: is critical hermeneutics the way to go or are there better, more ethical alternatives?

SPEAKER: Irwin Brown, Ethnographic Decision Tree Modelling: Exploring the Potential in ICT4D Research

CHAIR: Jan Kroeze

11:30-12:30: PANEL DISCUSSION

TOPIC: Building on the Past to Advance ICT4D and Social Research

CHAIR: Emma Coleman

PANEL MEMBERS: Cathy Urquhart, Kirstin Krauss, Irwin Brown, Judy van Biljon, Jan Kroeze

12:30-13:00 AISSAC AGM

13:00-14:00: LUNCH

CONCURRENT AISSAC/ICT4D WORKSHOP

Towards a Strategic Agenda for Local Research in ICT for Development

14:00 WELCOME

Welcome from Organisers, Hussein Suleman

14:05 INVITED TALK

TOPIC: Development of ICTs or ICT for development? Unblocking development theory, studies and practice

SPEAKER: Alison Gillwald

CHAIR: Mmaki Jantjies

14:40 INVITED TALK

Topic: Remarks from 'After Access: Inclusion, Development, and a More Mobile Internet'

SPEAKER: Jonathan Donner

CHAIR: Mmaki Jantjies

15:15 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

An overview of the process and topics to be discussed by participants

Chair: Hussein Suleman

15:30 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Discussions in groups

16:00 Coffee Break

16:30 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Discussion in groups - wrapping up

16:45 REPORT BACK FROM GROUPS

17:15 CLOSING

Closing remarks and way forward

SPEAKER: Edwin Blake

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Agenda
Meeting 28 Sept 2015

- 1. Welcome and attendance**
- 2. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising**
- 3. Management feedback**
 - **President's overview**
 - **Financial statement**
 - **Website**
 - **Student chapter**
- 4. AISSAC membership fees**
- 5. Format of the AISSAC event for 2016**
- 6. Election of new AISSAC board members**
- 7. General**