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INAUGURAL WALTER SISULU MEMORIAL LECTURE SET TO INSPIRE DIALOGUE ON JUSTICE AND TRANSFORMATION

The Sisulu Foundation for Social Justice, in partnership with the Vaal University of Technology (VUT), is proud to announce the inaugural Walter Sisulu Memorial Lecture, to be held on Thursday, 12 June 2025, at the Emerald Resort & Casino, Vanderbijlpark.

The event will commence at 16:00, featuring a keynote address by renowned liberation theologian and anti-apartheid activist, The Reverend Dr Allan.

The event will also be streamed live on VUT's official YouTube channel, Facebook page, and other institutional social media platforms to ensure broader public access and engagement. Audiences across the country and beyond are invited to join the conversation online and reflect on the enduring legacy of Walter Sisulu.

Prior to the lecture, VUT and the Sisulu Foundation will formalise their collaboration through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). This strategic partnership aims to foster joint initiatives in research, innovation, and community engagement, aligning with both institutions' commitment to social justice and transformation.

Dr Speech Nelana, Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Research, Innovation, Commercialisation and Internationalisation at VUT, emphasised the significance of this collaboration:

“This partnership with the Sisulu Foundation underscores our dedication to advancing social justice through academic excellence and community involvement. By commemorating Walter Sisulu's legacy, we inspire our students and staff to uphold the values of equality, integrity, and service.”

Mr Mphumzi Mdekazi, Chief Executive Officer of the Sisulu Foundation, highlighted the Foundation's mission:

“The Sisulu Foundation is committed to promoting justice across various sectors, including education, health, and the environment. Collaborating with VUT allows us to extend our reach and impact, nurturing a new generation dedicated to the principles that Walter Sisulu championed.”

This memorial lecture will become an annual event, fostering dialogue and reflection on social justice issues pertinent to South Africa and the broader global community.

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