AAUN AUSTRALIA AFRICA UNIVERSITIES NETWORK

AAUN INTERNATIONAL AFRICA FORUM AND STEERING GROUP MEETING
11 MAY 2015
INDABA HOTEL, JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

07:00 – 08:00	*Hotel guests have breakfast*	
08:30 – 09:00 Main registration desk	Registration	
09:00 – 09:30 Lethabo	Welcome *Prof Cheryl de la Rey, AAUN Co-chairperson*	
09:30 – 10:30 Lethabo	An overview of AAUN achievements and Strategic Plan *Profs Cheryl de la Rey and John Hearn, AAUN Co-chairpersons*	
10:30 – 11:00 Lethabo foyer	Refreshments	
11:00 – 12:15 Lethabo	Presentations by Theme Leaders *Prof Amanda Minnaar &Dr Amin Mugera: Food Security; Prof Mavis Mulaudzi: Health; Dr George Odhiambo: Education; Mr David Doepel: Mining*	
12:15 Restaurant	*Lunch*	
13:00 – 15:30 Injabula & Lecture venue 16	Project team breakaway workshops *Workshops to be used for detailed planning of research activities, desk top studies, or agreeing outlines of papers to be published.* *List of project teams to be finalised as soon as AAUN PRDF 3rd call successful applications have been announced* *(tea and coffee available in workshop venue)*	AAUN Steering Group meeting
15:30 – 17:00 Lethabo	Report back *Project team PIs*	
17:00 – 17:15 Lethabo	Closure *Profs Cheryl de la Rey and John Hearn, AAUN Co-chairpersons*	
17:15 – 19:00	*Cocktail reception* *(opportunity for hotel guests to freshen up/change if required)*	
19:00 Epsom Room	*Welcome dinner in the Epsom Room* *(Guest speaker Mr Ben Playle, Deputy High Commissioner of Australia)*	

Members who have registered for the ACU SARIMA conference participate in the conference from 12-14 May 2015 (please note that there is a separate registration process for the ACU SARIMA conference. The registration form, applicable fee (there is a discount for ACU members) and programme is available at www.acusarima.com).

A joint AAUN/ACU SARIMA session will be held at 16:00 on 12 May as part of the main conference.

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  o *Knowledge Interchange and Collaboration (KIC)*
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