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Panel discussion and Q&A with visiting journalists from Africa



The UWA Africa Research & Engagement Centre (AfREC) and UWA Media and Communications discipline group in partnership with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade invites you to a special Australia Africa Week 2018 panel discussion and Q&A with a visiting delegation of journalists from Ethiopia, Ghana, Mauritius, Nigeria, South Africa, Uganda and Zimbabwe. The panel will explore the nature of contemporary journalism and media dynamics across Africa as well as consider media representations of 'Africa' and 'Africans'.

10am-12pm, Wednesday 29 August 2018

Conference Room (ECON 373), Old Economics & Commerce Building
Level 3 via stairs or lift, UWA Crawley Campus

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Limited places - to attend, please RVSP by 28 Aug to
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Journalists' biographies

Ms Samrawit Assefa Hailu (ETHIOPIA)

Senior Journalist and Producer, Ethiopia Broadcasting Service (EBSTV)

Ms Assefa is an experienced journalist who produces and hosts a business focused TV and YouTube show in Ethiopia. She has previously produced shows profiling Ethiopia's key trading relationships, including the UK, France, China, Israel, Turkey, Ghana, India and the US, focusing on corporate social responsibility. She has worked for the Ethiopian Broadcasting Service (EBS) for the last seven years, and the Ethiopian Broadcasting Corporation (EBC) for three years. Ms Assefa previously served as an English teacher and has a strong focus on corporate social responsibility.

Mrs Shirley Asiedu-Addo (GHANA)

Senior Reporter and Correspondent, Daily Graphic (Graphic Communications Group Ltd)

Mrs Asiedu-Addo is a senior reporter and correspondent for the Daily Graphic, Ghana's most widely read national daily. She currently works in Ghana's Central Region and is the Executive Secretary for the Journalists for Responsible Fisheries and Environment. Mrs Asiedu-Addo has reported widely on the place of women in mining, the culture and life of Indigenous Australians, mining company engagement with Indigenous communities, and galamsey (small-scale illegal mining). Her reporting on environmental, social, economic and political issues has earned her the Ghana Journalists Association (GJA) Best Reporter on Small and Medium Scale Enterprises, GJA Best Rural Reporter Award, and the Belz Fellow Award from the World Journalism Institute, United States.

Mr Jean-Paul Arouff (MAURITIUS)

Editor in Chief, Business Magazine

Mr Arouff is Editor in Chief of Business Magazine, the leading financial and economic publication in Mauritius (published in English and French). Business Magazine Océan Indien also covers news from Mauritius, Madagascar, Seychelles, Reunion (France) Seychelles and Comoros. Mr Arouff is interested in the extractives sector and the potential for Mauritius to act as a hub for investment into Africa. He is also a Mauritius correspondent for Thomson Reuters, and has written widely on tourism and economic impacts in the region.

Mr Oloyede Oworu (NIGERIA)

Senior Editor and Presenter, Africa Independent Television (Daar Communications PLC)

Mr Oworu is a high profile TV and print journalist at Africa Independent Television (AIT), based in Lagos. He previously worked in the banking industry before joining AIT as a presenter and has a strong private sector background. Mr Oworu has presented and anchored a number of analytical news programs and bulletins, and has interviewed Governors, Ministers and other top national and international figures. In 2011, Mr Oworu was part of the international media visit covering the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting.

Mrs Thandeka Gqubule-Mbeki (SOUTH AFRICA)

Economics Editor, South African Broadcasting Company

Mrs Gqubule-Mbeki is an Economics Editor at South African Broadcasting Company, where she is responsible for economics, business and financial market coverage across the television, radio and digital formats. She has worked in various editorial positions and taught journalism at Rhodes University, Grahamstown and Monash South Africa. Mrs Gqubule-Mbeki is a member of the "SABC 8" who were fired in 2016 for speaking out against decisions to censor coverage of public protests and unconstitutional editorial policies.

Ms Halima Abdallah (UGANDA)

Correspondent, The East African

Ms Abdallah is a correspondent with *The East African* newspaper, a respected regional weekly that circulates in Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi. She has extensive regional experience in covering extractives issues and reports on a wide range of other topics, including the environment, energy and tourism. Ms Abdallah previously worked as a Media Advisor for the Director of Public Prosecutions managing agriculture, education and women's issues. Ms Abdallah has contributed to the BBC Swahili Service and online news agency, The Women International Perspective. In 2010, Ms Abdallah was a recipient of the CNN African Journalist Award.

Mr Dumisani Muleya (ZIMBABWE)

Editor, Zimbabwe Independent

Mr Muleya is editor for the Zimbabwe Independent, Zimbabwe's largest financial paper. He is a senior reporter and has covered wide ranging issues in Zimbabwe, including political and economic issues. Mr Muleya has a particular interest in and knowledge of the mining sector, international perceptions of Zimbabwe, and potential for Australian business engagement in Zimbabwe. Mr Muleya is a long-standing advocate for transparency and democracy in Zimbabwe.