

SEMINAR

Higher Education and Economic Development in Africa

Tuesday, 2 June 2009

16:00-17:45

Senate Hall (M207), 2nd Floor, North Campus

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The Centre for Higher Education Transformation (CHET) and the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University invite you to attend a seminar on research that is currently being undertaken by the *Higher Education Research and Advocacy Network in Africa (HERANA)*. HERANA is co-ordinated by CHET. Other key partners include Makerere University (Uganda) and the University of Oslo (Norway).

The research component of HERANA is investigating the complex relationships between higher education and development in the African context. These relationships are being explored through the lens of three forms of 'development'; namely, economic development, poverty reduction and democratic development. The aim of this seminar is to present the preliminary findings of the economic development research project, and to invite discussion and input from the seminar participants in relation to these findings.

SEMINAR PROGRAMME

16:00-16:10	Welcome <i>Dr Nico Jooste (Director: Office for International Education, NMMU)</i>
16:10-16:20	Overview of the Higher Education Research and Advocacy Network in Africa (HERANA) <i>Dr Nico Cloete (Director: CHET)</i>
16:20-16:45	Higher Education and Economic Development in Africa: Lessons from three successful cases (Finland, South Korea and North Carolina) <i>Dr Pundy Pillay (Consultant, South Africa)</i>
16:45-17:00	Discussion
17:00-17:20	Higher Education and Regional Development: Some preliminary observations <i>Mr Romulo Pinheiro (University of Oslo, Norway)</i>
17:20-17:35	Discussion
17:35-17:45	Closing remarks <i>Prof Derrick Swartz (Vice Chancellor, NMMU)</i>