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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT, 2015-2016**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



It has been fifteen months since the Johannesburg Institute for Advanced Study (JIAS) was officially launched, and since the JIAS Board last met.

This has been a busy time, as this report and the attached documentation will attest. Over this period, much of JIAS's energy has been dedicated to exploring what kinds of programs will work within its budget, within its space and within the wider environment within which we find ourselves.

JIAS has succeeded in establishing a 'presence' in the oft-crowded academic space in Gauteng, and even nationally in South Africa. Some of this has been the result of several joint-endeavors with our sister universities, in particular the University of the Witwatersrand and the University of Pretoria. Within the University of Johannesburg (UJ), we have established good working relations with several Faculties, individual Departments, and both Centers and Research Chairs.

All of these partnerships will be essential if JIAS is to flourish.

It seems fair to record, that we have only a thin presence on the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) campus. This is notwithstanding the outstanding support we have received from members of the NTU staff, including:

- the President of NTU and his office,
- Sasha Zehrender,
- the Global Dialogue Institute, especially Kristen Stadler,
- and folks in the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences at NTU, and others in the Rajaratnam School of International Studies.

Furthermore, we need to record that JIAS has a robust presence in social media, on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), and elsewhere in the electronic media.

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## JIAS PROGRAMS

So accordingly, and very much so, this year has been an experimental process. This will continue for a few years, until we have found an ideal fit both to JIAS's resources, and the intellectual and cultural environment in which we find ourselves.

### A. The Writing Fellowship

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As a result of this experimental process, a few things are clear. First, JIAS is at its best when it runs residential fellowships, such as the successful 2015 Writers Semester. This brought eleven Writing Fellows to JIAS for a three-month residential period. (While JIAS has twelve suites/studies, one of these was being repaired, so that we were only able to offer eleven spaces.)

The reports received from the Writing Fellows were highly favorable and very appreciative of the time they spent with us. However, these responses flatter to deceive, because several important lessons were learnt in this exercise, including the need to be more judicious and timely in the selection process.

In addition, if the partnership with the NTU is to succeed, it is important that the Fellowship "Call for Applications" is circulated in Singapore, too. Also notable, is that it is important to mix 'creative' writers with 'academic' writers in a Fellowship cohort. The Writing Fellows each gave an individual seminar as part of the JIAS Seminar Series, in the period that they were in Residence.

Interestingly, the Writing Fellowship did provide the first occasion when JIAS could directly reach into the community. This was when, with the assistance of one of the Writing Fellows, we took four creative writers to Polokwane, the capital of the impoverished Limpopo Province of South Africa.

The four Writing Fellows (Harry Kalmer, Yewande Omotoso, Fred Khumalo and David Maahlamela) and I travelled to Polokwane to partake in creative writing events at schools, and a Creative Writing Workshop with the Polokwane Municipality – we have called these events, "Pop-up Workshops". Each of the four Fellows spent three hours talking to schoolchildren in their classrooms, and an evening session was arranged by the cultural desk of the local City Council. We will continue to keep this link alive – indeed, plans are to take a session of the Brain Colloquium to Polokwane, too.

Each Writing Fellow presented a Seminar during their residency. The full list and the dates of these follow.

- "Neo-liberalism, the Humanities and Feminist Intellectuals" by Professor Desiree Lewis, SOUTH AFRICA.
- "Words on Music: Playing with Post-Academic Narrative" by Professor David Coplan, SOUTH AFRICA-USA.
- "Warp and Woof: The Life and Death of an Atelier" by Ms Kim Gurney
- "Devil With Blue Eyes: A Novel of Identify, Race, Culture and The Internet" by Mr Fred Khumalo, SOUTH AFRICA.
- "Dancing Poetry: Kiba poetry of the Bapedi/Basotho ba Leboa people" by Mr David wa Maahlamela, SOUTH AFRICA.
- "Engendering the New Aid Modalities (NAM) in Uganda: Opportunity for involving the Women's Organizations for Inclusive Development" by Dr Tabitha Mulyampiti, UGANDA.
- "'What Seeks Us' - Thinking of Process While Writing" by Ms Yewande Omotoso, SOUTH AFRICA-NIGERIA.
- "Meaningful Work" by Dr Michael Kasenbacher, AUSTRIA.

- "Doctors, Nurses, Patients and the Law: Using Empirical data to study the Practice of Informed Consent in South Africa" by Professor Sylvester Chima, SOUTH AFRICA-NIGERIA.

Support for four of these Fellows was received from the NTU.

While this particular program was a success, it has to be seen as an 'easy option' in the context of what was on offer at JIAS. The facilities are readily at hand; there is not extensive administration needed; the costs are reasonable; and this kind of intensive program yields significant goodwill. But it does not really challenge the 'advanced study' idea within the JIAS mandate.

Nevertheless, JIAS should retain the Writing Fellows Semester as a central program. Indeed, we believe the duration of the Term should be extended by one month for maximum impact. Moreover, and this is important, we need to develop an interest in participating in the JIAS Writing Fellowships within the NTU, and, if this is possible, within Singapore.

#### Visiting Fellowships

For the month of August 2016, JIAS hosted the distinguished feminist historian, Professor Linda Gordon, from New York University (NYU), and her husband Professor Allen Hunter (also NYU) as Visiting Fellows. Gordon delivered seminars at UJ, JIAS and at Wits University, while Hunter delivered a seminar at Wits and at JIAS.

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## B. Events

### Roundtable Conversation

Together with MINTEK, South Africa's national mineral research organisation, JIAS organised a **Round Table Conversation** with two Nobel Laureates, Professor Klaus von Klitzing (Physics, 1985) and Professor Robert Huber (Chemistry, 1988). The Conversation was organised by JIAS and held on UJ's main campus on the 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2014. The event was a great success and enabled the more than 300 attendees to ask Professors von Klitzing and Huber about their research and future trends in their fields.

A forthcoming Roundtable is planned to commemorate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the passing of Samora Machel, on 17 October 2016. The event will be co-organised by JIAS, the SARChI Chair in African Foreign Policy and Diplomacy, and colleagues from the *Universidade Politécnica*, Mozambique.

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## Conferences

JIAS has been involved in organizing several **Conferences** with other institutions. One of these, which took place 17-19 November, 2014 was entitled ***Universities and Constitutions: What does research-based knowledge and higher education mean for constitutional democracies?*** and was organised with the University of Bergen, Norway and UJ's Postgraduate Centre: Research & Innovation.

The proceedings were opened by Constitutional Court Judge Edwin Cameron, and papers were delivered by academics from Norway and South Africa, which included the Registrar of the University of Cape Town, Mr Hugh Amoore, the Pro-Rector of the University of Bergen, Professor Anne Lise Fimreite, and Professor Mamokgethi Phakeng, the Vice-Principal of Research and Innovation at the University of South Africa.

A follow-up conversation on the **Universities and Constitutions** Conference took place at JIAS on 20-21 April, 2015. Professor John Higgins (University of Cape Town), Professor Tor Halvorsen (University of Bergen), Professor John Peter Collett (Oslo University), Professor Henriette Sinding Aasen (University of Bergen) and Professor Peter Vale (JIAS) made up the core group. Presentations on South Africa's higher education system and other topics were made by academics from UJ, Wits University and Rhodes University.

In mid-June, 2016 JIAS co-organised the **Rethinking the History of Capitalism** Conference with the Wits Centre for Indian Studies in Africa. The Conference took place at Wits University, while participants stayed at JIAS.

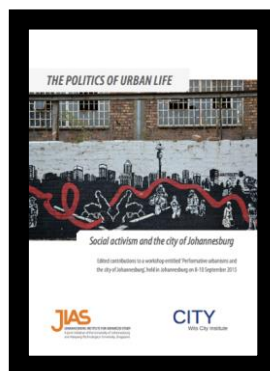
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## Workshops

A workshop entitled ***Contemporary Thinking and Methods on International Relations*** was held at JIAS on 7 May, 2015. Lead-in papers were presented by Professors Anna Leander (Copenhagen Business School) and Stefano Guzzini (Danish Institute for International Affairs). Other speakers included: Ms Sithembile Mbete (University of Pretoria), Dr Mvu Ngcoya (University of KwaZulu Natal), Mr Eben Coetzee (University of the Free State), Professor Joel Quirk (University of the Witwatersrand) and Mr Anthony Bizos (University of Pretoria).

**Johannesburg: Performative Urbanisms Workshop** was the title of a workshop co-organised by JIAS, the Wits City Institute, La Trobe University (Melbourne), the Chair of Culture and Society at Curtin University (Perth), and the journal *Thesis Eleven*. The event took place in September, 2013.

The following activists and authors partook in the first day's discussion under the theme "**The politics of urban life: Personal confessions**": Koketso Moeti (amandla.mobi and Local Government Alliance), Maurice Smithers (activist), Kelly Kropman (Legal Resources Centre), Christa Kuljian (author), Lisa Vetten (Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research), Erica Emdon (Probono), Jacob van Garderen (Lawyers for Human Rights), Tish White (Safe Zones@Wits & Varsity Pride), Harry Kalmer (author), Lauren Royston (Socio-Economic Rights Institute of South Africa) and Munyaradzi Masunga (SWEAT and Sonke Gender Justice).



The following participants made presentations on the second day, the theme of which was "**Expressing the City – the performance of everyday urbanisms – a public forum**": Alan Mabin (UP), Mpho Matsipa (Wits City Institute), Nicholas Clarke, Cynthia Kros (UP), Georges Pfruender (Technical University of Northwestern Switzerland), Nduka Mntambo (UJ), Johann Quëland de St Pern (College of the Arts of la Réunion), Jason Cohen (Wits), Judy Backhouse (Wits), Mitchell Hughes (Wits), Danai Mupotsa (Wits), Danielle Bowler (Mapungubwe Institute for Strategic Reflecting), Kavuli Nyali (goodhairdiaries.com), John Higgins (UCT), Christine Dixie (Rhodes), James Sey (UJ), Harry Kalmer (Author), Noeleen Murray, Pia Bombardella (NWU), Detlev Krige (UP) & Jade Gibson.

The theme of the third day of the workshop was "**The mediated city – how do we know the city?**". Inputs were made by Professor Trevor Hogan (La Trobe), Mr Julian Potter (La Trobe), Dr Sian Supski (Monash) and Professor Peter Beilharz (Curtin) .

This will result in academic publications – in one case, in the publication of a journal jointly edited by Professor Peter Vale and a colleague at Wits, Professor Noeleen Murray, and a comprehensive illustrated [report](#) is to be found on the JIAS website.

On 15 April, 2016, a high-powered gathering involving policy-makers and academics from several countries was held at JIAS on "**Science Diplomacy**". It was organised under the auspices of JIAS, the Wits University Department of International Relations, the Centre for the Advancement of Scholarship at the University of Pretoria, and the Department of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Public Policy (STePP) at University College, London. [\[A REPORT OF THIS IS TO BE FOUND ON THE JIAS WEBSITE\]](#)

On 12 August 2016, a Workshop led by Professor Tom Biersteker (Graduate Institute of International and Developmental Studies, Geneva) on **Teaching Social Science in an Age of Apps: Prospects and Pitfalls** took place at JIAS. In this event, JIAS partnered with UJ's SARCHI Chair in African Diplomacy and Foreign Policy.

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## Seminars

A Seminar in the Series 'Conceptual Conversations on International Relations' entitled *The Idea of Barbarism in International Relations Theory and Practice*, was presented by Professor David Boucher from Cardiff University, Wales, on UJ's main campus on 26 November, 2014.

A seminar titled *International Relations and its Theory: An End? Whose End?* in the same Series was held on the 6 March 2016, and presentations were made by Dr Siphamandla Zondi (Institute for Global Dialogue associated with UNISA), Dr David Hornsby (University of the Witwatersrand), Professor Peter Sutch (Cardiff University) and Dr Vineet Thakur (University of Johannesburg).

JIAS launch a Distinguished Seminar Series with UJ's Humanities Faculty. The first Seminar was given by Professor Jane Taylor (University of Leeds) at JIAS, on **Magic and Mimesis**. **PERHAPS YOU MIGHT POSITION THE ABSTRACT JUST HERE EITHER IN A BOX OR AS A URL {I'll email you the Flyer}**

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### Discussion Forums

A Discussion Forum entitled *All-Bashir and the Crisis in South Africa's Foreign Policy: Problems and Prospects* was a high-level forum co-organised with UJ's SARChI Chair in African Diplomacy and Foreign Policy, and with the support of the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung and the Foundation for Human Rights.

It took place at JIAS on 22 July, 2015, and speakers included Professor Chris Landsberg (SARChI Chair: African Diplomacy and Foreign Policy, University of Johannesburg), Dr Siphamandla Zondi (Institute for Global Dialogue associated with UNISA), Ms Siphokazi Magadla (Rhodes University), Ms Nicole Fritz (founding Executive Director, Southern Africa Litigation Centre), Professor Jeremy Sarkin (University of South Africa), Dr Leon Wessels (University of the Free State), Ms Yasmin Sooka (Foundation for Human Rights), Professor Hennie Strydom (University of Johannesburg), Professor Alexander Mezyaev (Chair, Academy on International Law and Governance, Russia) and Advocate Patric Mtshaulana, SC (Duma Nokwe Group).



A [report](#) on the event has been published and is available on JIAS' website.

### C. Annual Colloquium

From 12 September - 2 December 2016, JIAS will host its first annual colloquium, on "Why the Brain Matters". The colloquium will be divided into four consecutive three-week sessions, namely:

- *Brain Studies: History and Emerging Issues* (12-30 September, 2016);
- *The Cognitive Brain* (3-21 October, 2016);
- *The Creative Brain* (24 October - 11 November 2016); and

- *The Social Brain* (14 November - 2 December 2016).

The first week of each session will be devoted to seminars led by global authorities in their fields; the second, to reflection and public outreach; and the third to writing. Lectures will be delivered by scholars from South Africa, the United States, the United Kingdom, various European countries, Australia and Singapore.

We see these colloquia as the flag-ship event in the annual work of JIAS. The draft program of the event is attached.

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## FUNDRAISING

The fundraising process has been slow and unsatisfactory. However, we do appreciate the interest shown in JIAS from many and varied stakeholders, and the focus on JIAS given by UJ's Department of Advancement.

As of now, advances have been made towards ABSA Capital, and applications and proposals are underway to the Templeton Foundation, the Ford Foundation, and the European Union Delegation to South Africa.

With our colleagues in the UJ Advancement office, we will open a conversation with the Johannesburg Development Office.

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## FACILITIES

The JIAS directorate moved into the Tolip Street premises in February 2016. Much energy has been spent on getting these in good order for the purposes for which they are needed. There has been great and enthusiastic support from the UJ administration – especially valuable have been the IT department, maintenance, and finance.

We have also worked closely with colleagues in the UJ Department of Property Management Services, who are responsible for the facilities on a day-to-day basis. Given the nature of the buildings at JIAS, we need to be vigilant about safety.

We have also applied for a re-zoning and consolidation of the Tolip Street property from 'Residential' to 'Educational'. We are hoping for news of a satisfactory outcome before the end of this calendar year.

They also administer the accommodation within the Tolip Street campus when this is not used for JIAS activities. This remains a satisfactory arrangement – although, obviously, the occupancy rate will have to be upped.

In general terms, the IT facilities at JIAS are satisfactory, although we must report that at times this is a concern. Recently, JIAS was without internet or phone for days – this problem was with the private service-provider NEOTEL, and not with the UJ system. We are grateful with the assistance we received from the IT staff at UJ during this period.

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## STAFF

### JIAS Core Team

The professional staff of JIAS is very small: consisting of a Director and an Administrative/Research Assistant, Estelle Prinsloo. She has done exceptional work in the development and formative stage of the JIAS project. Sadly, for both personal and professional reasons, she has decided to seek employment outside the higher education sector. We are very, very sorry to lose her.

A replacement must be sought in the coming months, as well as the putting in place of systems to ensure institutional and organizational continuity into the future. We must also think of adding a further member to the JIAS administrative staff.

We are very grateful, too, to the support of Ronald Witte, Johanna Menyoko, Maria Matla, and Seaka Sibanda, the support staff in JIAS.

### Post-Doctoral Fellows



There are two post-Docs – Dr Vineet Thakur and Dr Alex Davis - working within JIAS. Both of them are supported by the UJ Faculty of Humanities and, with the JIAS Director, are working on the early history of International Relations.

#### DIRECTOR'S ACTIVITIES

As an appendix, there is a record of the Director's academic work.

#### Appendix ONE

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## **Why the Brain Matters Colloquium**

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Johannesburg, South Africa  
September 12 – December 2, 2016



## Draft Academic Programme

### SESSION 1: BRAIN STUDIES: HISTORY & EMERGING ISSUES

Sept 12 – Sept 30

This session opens with the early history of Western brain research, followed by overviews of African neuroscience and knowledge systems. The brain in the courtroom is an emerging issue, hence the free will and the moral brain will be discussed. The power of neuro-imaging will be illustrated by new and fascinating insights in neuroconnectivity.

#### WEEK 1: SEMINARS

DATE	TIME	VENUE	PRESENTER	TOPIC
Mon Sept 12	12:00-14:30	Protea Auditorium, UJ Bunting Road Campus	Prof Balazs Gulyas	<b>Opening Lecture:</b> The Brain-Mind Problem: Grand challenges in exploring the human brain, 2016.  Organised with the Faculty of Health Science, UJ
	15:00-16:30	JIAS	Prof Balazs Gulyas	Interactive Seminar with Colloquium participants
Tues Sept 13	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Vivienne Russell	History of African Neuroscience
Wed Sept 14	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Catherine Odora-Hoppers	African Knowledge Systems <b>(TBC)</b>
Thu Sept 15	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Maureen Sie	The Moral Brain
Fri Sept 16	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Martijn van den Heuvel	Exploring Brain Wiring: From Neurons to Networks

#### WEEK 2: SEMINARS & PUBLIC EVENTS

DATE	TIME	VENUE	PRESENTER/S	TOPIC
Mon Sep 19	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Willem Hendrik Gispen	The Roots of Western Brain Research
Tues Sep 20	09:00-12:00	JIAS	<b>TBC</b>	<b>TBC</b>
Wed Sep 21	09:00-14:45	Cate Druce Lecture Room, Wits Evolutionary Studies Institute	Prof John Parkington Prof Jose Braga Prof Francis Thackeray Dr Amélie Beaudet Dr Julian Benoit Prof Paul Manger	<b>THE ORIGINS OF THE BRAIN:</b> From Mammal-like Reptiles to Humans  Organised with Wits University's Evolutionary Studies Institute, the Centre of Excellence in Palaeosciences and the Royal Society of South Africa.



**WEEK 3: REACTION, REFLECTION & WRITING**

Reflection, self-study and writing.

**SESSION 2: THE COGNITIVE BRAIN****Oct 3 – Oct 21**

The focus of this session is on animal and human neurocognition. The significance of physiological and structural brain parameters such as neuronal connectivity and neocortical circuits will be highlighted. Special attention is paid to molecular mechanisms in Alzheimer's disease and emerging avenues for treatment.

**WEEK 1: SEMINARS**

DATE	TIME	VENUE	PRESENTER	TOPIC
Mon Oct 3	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Iris Oren	Neuronal Circuit Mechanisms of Memory in Health and Disease
Tues Oct 4	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Kevan Martin	The Behavioural Architecture of the Neocortex
Wed Oct 5	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Kostya Anokhin	Animal Mind and Cognition
Thu Oct 6	09:00-12:00	JIAS	<b>TBC</b>	<b>TBC</b>
Fri Oct 7	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Monica Di Luca	New Aspect of Alzheimer Disease Pathogenesis: From Amyloid to Synaptic Dysfunction

**WEEK 2: SEMINARS & PUBLIC EVENTS**

DATE	TIME	VENUE	PRESENTER/S	TOPIC
Mon Oct 10	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Christine Gispén-De Wied	Emerging Drug Therapies in Alzheimer Disease
Tues Oct 11	17:00-19:00	University of Johannesburg	<b>TBC</b>	<b>TBC</b>
Thu Oct 13	<b>TBC</b>	Pretoria	Professor Andries Englebrect and colleagues, University of Pretoria. Organized with the Centre for Scholarship, University of Pretoria	Artificial Intelligence

**WEEK 3: REACTION, REFLECTION & WRITING**

Reflection, self-study and writing.

**SESSION 3: THE CREATIVE BRAIN****Oct 24 – Nov 11**

During this session, artists and scientists from the United States, Europe and Africa will consider issues such as the neural substrate of creativity and the creative process. Novelists, visual scientists and musicians will cross the bridge between art and (neuro) science.



**WEEK 1: SEMINARS**

DATE	TIME	VENUE	PRESENTER	TOPIC
Mon Oct 24	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Wiljan van den Akker	No Poetry In The Morning, No Science At Night: What My Brain's Got To Do With It?
Tues Oct 24	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Dr Darya Zabelina	The Benefits of "Leaky" Attention: What Science Has To Say About Mind-Wandering, Attention, and Creativity
Wed Oct 26	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Ms Yewande Omotoso	Where Fiction Comes From: Telling Lies and Other Creative Work
Thu Oct 27	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Mr Taga Nuwagaba	Art, Voice and Thought in Uganda
Fri Oct 28	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Mr Brendon Bussy	Silent Noise / Noisy Silence

**WEEK 2: SEMINARS & PUBLIC EVENTS**

DATE	TIME	VENUE	PRESENTER/S	TOPIC
Mon Oct 31	09:00-12:00	JIAS  PERFORMING ART	<b>TBC</b>	Children's Drawings and Brain Development
Tues Nov 1	<b>TBC</b>	Polokwane	Visit to Schools  Organized with the Polokwane City Council	<b>TBC</b>
Wed Nov 2	<b>TBC</b>	Polokwane	Pop-up Workshop  Organized with the Polokwane City Council	<b>TBC</b>

**WEEK 3: REACTION, REFLECTION & WRITING**

Reflection, self-study and writing.

**SESSION 4: THE SOCIAL BRAIN**

**Nov 14 – Dec 2**

The session on social cognition will focus on the role of mirror neurons and neurolinguistics. Furthermore we will deal with brain mechanisms that relate to stress, aggression and violence. Understanding such mechanisms may lead to treatment strategies for psychiatric disorders with social impairments.

**WEEK 1: SEMINARS**

DATE	TIME	VENUE	PRESENTER/S	TOPIC
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Mon Nov 14	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Ron de Kloet	Stress, Resilience and the Brain
Tues Nov 15	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Carmen Sandi	The Emergence of Aggression – Roles of Stress and Neuroplasticity
Wed Nov 16	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Suzy Styles	Letting the Hitchhiker Drive: How Language Modulates Brain Development, Shapes Sensation, and Co-creates Conscious Experience
Thu Nov 17	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Jack van Honk	<b>Title TBC</b>
Fri Nov 18	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Larry Young	Oxytocin and the Natural Mechanisms of Social Attachment, Social Loss and Empathy-related Behaviors: Implications for Autism
<b>WEEK 2: SEMINARS &amp; PUBLIC EVENTS</b>				
Mon Nov 21	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Dr Minet de Wied	“Empathy & Mimicry: representations of the social brain”
Tues Nov 22	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Prof Willem Hendrik Gispen	The Roots of Western Brain Research
Wed Nov 23	2.00-5.00	JIAS	Dr Georgina Spies	HIV and the Brain
Thu Nov 24	09:00-12:00	JIAS	Book discussion – “A Black Psychologist under Apartheid. Autobiography of Chabani Manganyi”	Organised with Wits Press
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## Appendix TWO

### DIRECTOR'S ACTIVITIES IN 2016

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#### EVENTS ATTENDED / PARTICIPATED IN



- **8-11 January:** Presented a paper titled '*Imperialism by Other Means: South Africa and the Origins of International Relations*' with Dr Vineet Thakur at the WISC-IRIS Workshop on 'Alternative Cosmologies & the Knowledge Systems in International Relations: Voices from the Global South' in New Delhi, India.
- **6 April:** Presented at the 9th QS WorldClass Seminar in Singapore on the topic '*Driving Change: the UJ-NTU Johannesburg Institute for Advanced Studies*'.
- **21-23 June:** I attended the African Academy of Sciences' General Assembly in Botswana as a Member.
- **10 June:** I presented on the Ethics, Human Rights and Law Panel at the Africa Health Conference in Midrand on '*Why the Humanities Matter*'.
- **21 July:** Presented at the '*Reviewing a Decade of the EU-South Africa Strategic Partnership Workshop*' convened by the UJ SARCHI Chair and the *Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung* in Sandton, Johannesburg.
- **22-23 July:** I attended and chaired the Theoretical and Epistemological Forays Panel at the International Symposium on Food Studies: Transnational Conversations Symposium at the University of Pretoria.
- **5 August:** Delivered the keynote address and participated in the '*Who Makes South Africa's Foreign Policy?*' conference convened by the UJ SARCHI Chair and the *Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung* in Rosebank, Johannesburg.

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## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Edited Books / Journals:**

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Vale, P. 2016. "OUT IN THE MIDDLE": Humanities, Interdisciplinary and the post-graduate puzzle. An interview with Professor Wiljan van den Akker'. *Arts and Humanities in Higher Education*, Vol. 16 (Forthcoming).

**Press (Opinion Pieces):**

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