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Chapter 1: Director's Overview

During 2009 the Centre celebrated major achievements both at home and abroad. Internationally, the Centre can report on the following highlights. First, at the request of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF), the Civil Society Prison Reform Initiative developed a Basic Technical Reference Guide on detention whilst countering terrorism. Second, the Socio-Economic Rights Project participated in the international campaign for the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (OP-ICESCR), which was adopted in 2008 and opened for signature and ratification in 2009. The International NGO Coalition for an OP-ICESCR, which the Centre is part of, launched the campaign following the adoption of the treaty, which has thus far been very successful with 30 states signing the OP-ICESCR. Lilian Chenwi attended the momentous signature ceremony of the Optional Protocol to the ICESCR, which took place during the Treaty Event at the UN Headquarters in New York on 24 September. Third, the Centre concluded a Memorandum of Understanding with the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights in terms of which the Centre will work collaboratively with the Commission. Fourth, the major international research project of the Global Dialogue on Federalism, a joint venture of the Forum of Federations and the International Association of Centres for Federal Studies, came to fruition in the publication of the book, Local Government and Metropolitan Regions in Federal Systems. This was the sixth volume of the Global Dialogue series and was edited by Nico Steytler and also contained a chapter by Jaap de Visser.

At home, the Local Government Project celebrated the tenth anniversary of the *Local Government Bulletin* on 23 July with a celebration and a seminar. It produced a 10-year compilation of the *Local Government Bulletin*, a 900 page edition, containing all 46 editions since 1999, as well as a searchable CD of all the editions.

As far as amicus curiae litigation was concerned, the judgment by the Constitutional Court in the case of *Residents of Joe Slovo Community, Western Cape v Thubelisha Homes and Others* Case CCT 22/08 produced a very positive result for persons facing evictions to make way for housing development. The Centre together with the Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions appeared as *amici*. The judgment underscored the necessity of meaningful engagement and the provision of alternative accommodation. The Constitutional Court found the submission of the *amici* to be extensive, helpful and of particular value.

Staff

The Centre continued with its record of academic excellence. Mr. Jamil Mujuzi graduated with a doctorate degree on the topic of life imprisonment. Prof. Jaap de Visser was given a C rating by the National Research Foundation (NRF), indicating his status as an established researcher with a sustained research record. Prof. Nico Steytler's rating as a B rated researcher was confirmed, indicating his status as enjoying considerable international recognition.

The Centre bid farewell to the co-ordinators of the Children's Rights and Gender Projects (Dr. Jacqui Gallinetti and Ms. Heléne Combrinck). Both these staff members moved to the University's Law Faculty. With the departure of Ms. Combrinck, the Gender Project's activities have been winded down. Two other staff members, Ms. Daksha Kassan, a senior researcher and

project coordinator of the Children's Rights Project and Mr. Siyambonga Heleba, a researcher of the Socio-Economic Rights Project, left the employ of the Centre to work as a legal officer at the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development and a lecturer at the University of Johannesburg, respectively.

The Children's Rights Project appointed a new researcher, Mr. Lorenzo Wakefield and a senior researcher and project co-ordinator, Ms. Bianca Robertson. The Centre received a doctoral intern from Ethiopia, Mr. Zemelak Ayele in April. Mr. Jamil Mujuzi, doctoral intern, joined the Open Society Foundation as a senior project officer.

Sixth Dullah Omar Memorial Lecture

The Sixth Dullah Omar Memorial Lecture was delivered by Dr. Navanethem Pillay, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights on 1 July. The High Commissioner gave a most inspiring lecture entitled, "Women's Rights in Human Rights Systems: Past, Present and Future". The lecture enjoyed wide media coverage and will be published in the journal *Law Democracy and Development*.

Finances

Despite the world wide recession, the Centre still managed to raise R10 million in revenue and its expenditure remained at the same level of 2008. The Centre wishes to thank all its donors for supporting the work of its projects. Particular acknowledgement goes to the Ford Foundation for generously providing funding for both core administration and projects. Support received from the University in the form of office space, utilities, information and communication technology assistance and human and financial management services is also gratefully acknowledged.

Chapter 2: Research

In-depth and cutting-edge research is the basis of the Centre's activities, since it informs and guides our outreach programmes. As a university-based institution, our goal is also to publish our research results in peer-reviewed publications. In this section the broad focus areas of research are set out, as well as specific research projects.

Children's Rights Project

The Child Justice Bill was finally passed by Parliament and the President signed the Act during May 2009, with an implementation date of 1 April 2010. The Project published a user-friendly booklet on the Child Justice Act, written in simple language by Jacqui Gallinetti. Along with this booklet, the Project developed a Child Justice Act Monitoring Implementation Tool to assist civil society to monitor the implementation of the Act.

The Project drafted two research papers on advocating for a ban of corporal punishment in the home; the first was a review of countries that have prohibited parental corporal punishment, while the second dealt with the international obligations of African states to ban corporal punishment in the home. The second research paper was presented in Kenya at an experts meeting on skilful parenting in Africa.

Daksha Kassan co-authored a chapter on "Special Child Protective Measures in the Children's Act" and Jacqui Gallinetti wrote a chapter on "Child Justice in South Africa: The Realisation of the Rights of Children Accused of Crime" in the recently published book entitled *Child Law in South Africa*.

Civil Society Prison Reform Initiative (CSPRI)

Research was completed on the Constitutional Court's view on sentencing as well as on current case law relating to the release of prisoners on parole. A literature review was undertaken on HIV/AIDS and the prison system, which appeared in the book, *HIV/AIDS in South Africa 25 years on: A psychosocial perspective*.

Research was also completed on the potential impact of the Sexual Offences Act on prisoners and the obligations it imposes on the Department of Correctional Services. This research will be included as a chapter in a commentary on the Sexual Offences Act.

CSPRI, as part of a group of South African NGOs, completed a review of the criminal justice process resulting in a publication to which CSPRI contributed three chapters on child justice, prisons and sentencing. CSPRI and the Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation (CSVR) are involved in a joint project aimed at gaining a better understanding of prison violence and also to develop recommendations to the Department of Correctional Services. CSPRI completed a literature review on prison violence and the implication for the South African prison system. In partnership with the Institute for Security Studies (ISS), CSPRI is part of a comprehensive research project on patterns in repeat violent offending. A literature review of repeat violent offending has been completed and will be published by the ISS.

Research was completed on the views of ex-prisoners on imprisonment and re-entry. The Project collected primary data from released prisoners to gain their views on imprisonment, the quality

of preparation for release and their experiences after release from prison. In order to facilitate the monitoring of places of detention by judges and magistrates, research was undertaken to develop a guide in this regard. This was completed and will be utilised by the Judicial Inspectorate for Correctional Services.

Research was also completed on violence and injuries against children in prison and child and youth care centres, which will be published as a chapter in a publication by the Medical Research Council.

Gender Project

The Project conducted research on the potential impact of the African Protocol on Women's Rights on rape law reform in Africa. The research findings are to be published as a chapter in an edited collection of international and national perspectives on rape law reform.

The Project also examined sexual violence against persons with mental disabilities. The findings will be published in an edited commentary on the 2007 Sexual Offences Act. Furthermore, the Project concluded its research project on training for police on the Domestic Violence Act with the publication of a research report. The research report sets out findings of the field research undertaken and includes recommendations.

Local Government Project

Given that the quality of community participation in local government is an area of concern, the Project published a research report on the role of ward committees. The research report, which analyses the functioning of ward committees and makes recommendations for their improved functioning, was disseminated to all municipalities. In addition, the Project completed another research report on the quality of governance arrangements in municipalities. The report concluded that many of the municipalities under review were inadequately structured and suffer from undue political interference.

The effectiveness of the relations between spheres of government continues to be a critical agenda item in the pursuit of service delivery and development. The Project hosted a Roundtable Discussion on intergovernmental relations as part of the Forum of Federations' Global Dialogue on Federalism. The Roundtable laid the basis for a chapter written by Derek Powell, who joined the Project as a senior researcher in 2010.

Socio-Economic Rights Project

Research conducted by the Socio-Economic Rights Project focused on the areas of access to water, women's health in the context of HIV and AIDS, obligations of government on maternal health, child poverty and children's right of access to food and basic nutrition, social security rights of children, housing rights and evictions, housing rights of women, the role of international law in enforcing socio-economic rights in South Africa and the role of the South African Constitutional Court in bringing about social change. The Project produced eight research papers, some of which have been submitted for publication in peer reviewed journals and others are available on the Project's website.

The Project further conducted research on standing in human rights cases, which formed part of a joint International NGO Coalition submission to the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights).

Collaboration between projects

The Socio-Economic Rights and Local Government Projects continued with their research on public participation in local government and access to basic services in the effective realisation of the socio-economic rights. A research paper on the extent to which local government has met its obligation to provide access to sufficient water was produced and is available on the joint project's website.

Working with the Socio-Economic Rights Project, the Gender Project conducted research on the right to have access to housing of women who are victims of gender-based violence. This culminated in a research series booklet entitled: "Living in security, peace and dignity: The right to have access to housing of women who are victims of gender-based violence" by Heléne Combrinck.

Chapter 3: Applied Research

Based on its reputation for high quality research, the Centre is frequently requested and commissioned to undertake applied research for various government departments and non-governmental bodies. Through this work, the Centre and its staff not only make a major contribution to policy formulation, but also are placed at the coalface of the key challenges confronting government and civil society.

Children's Rights Project

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the national Department of Social Development commissioned the Project to develop a set of guidelines for probation officers and assistant probation officers. The guidelines served to provide practical advice on the appropriate social services for children in conflict with the law, which is to be rendered by probation officers, assistant probation officers and child and youth care workers.

The Project was tasked to develop training guidelines for social workers and other related professionals on the Children's Act, Children's Amendment Act and Regulations by the national Department of Social Development. As part of this agreement, the Project had to develop training materials in three phases, namely Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced Phases. The Advanced Phase was divided into four further modules, focusing on specific implementers of the Act. Each phase was piloted at workshops to assist the Project in improving the content of the materials. Once this was completed the project drafted training guidelines on using the materials, which was piloted at the Department of Social Development Child Protection Forum meeting.

Civil Society Prison Reform Initiative (CSPRI)

The three-year project 'Monitoring the Implementation of the Correctional Services Act', which had been commissioned by the Open Society Foundation (SA) was completed and have thus provided the Department of Correctional Services (DCS) with a monitoring tool to measure compliance with the Correctional Services Act.

CSPRI was commissioned by the Open Society Institute for Southern Africa (OSISA) to conduct audits of the awaiting trial prison populations and criminal case flow management systems in Malawi and Zambia. Both these projects commenced in 2009 and will be completed in 2010.

The Embassy of Finland commissioned a research project on assessing donor confidence in offender re-entry projects operated and managed by ex-prisoners. The research investigated the risks associated with community based organisations operated by former prisoners from a donor's perspective and what measures can be implemented to address these risks.

At the request of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF), the Project developed a Basic Technical Reference Guide on detention whilst countering terrorism.

Gender Project

Heléne Combrinck was appointed as one of the key experts to conduct research on the legal and prosecution aspects of human trafficking as part of an in-depth research project carried out by the

Human Sciences Research Council on behalf of the National Prosecuting Authority. This research continues and will culminate into a report on the extent of trafficking in South Africa.

Local Government Project

The Project designed a framework for the Western Cape Provincial Government on how best to distribute authority between the province and municipalities in the province. This framework was then applied to the library and museum functions. The Framework was adopted as part of the Provincial Government's modernisation programme. The Project also compiled a manual on the roles and responsibilities of the different municipal office bearers and officials for the Western Cape's Department of Local Government and Housing.

Chapter 4: Informing Public Debate on Law Reform

On the basis of its research, the Centre informs public debate on key issues of law reform. On a number of occasions, parliamentary committees requested the Centre's comment on draft legislation. In addition, Projects have also made submissions to international human rights bodies. It further promoted dialogue with government through the hosting of roundtables on current issues of concern.

Children's Rights Project

The Project drafted a submission on the Combating Trafficking in Persons Bill, which was presented to the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development. In this regard, the submission focused particularly on ensuring that child trafficking was defined in accordance with the Palermo Protocol to prevent, suppress and punish trafficking in persons, especially women and children. The Project also drafted a submission on the Regulations of the Child Justice Act for the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development.

The Project is an active member of the 'Inter-Sectoral Committee on Child Justice'. This committee is established in terms of the Child Justice Act and is chaired by the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development. This committee is tasked with monitoring the implementation of the Child Justice Act.

The Project drafted a submission to UNICEF Botswana on the draft Regulations that would be annexed to the Botswana Children's Act 8 of 2009.

Civil Society Prison Reform Initiative (CSPRI)

Improving oversight over the prison system is key to the Project's aims and to this end CSPRI delivered written and oral submissions to the National Assembly's Portfolio Committee on Correctional Services in response to the Correctional Services Budget Vote of 2009/10 and the Department of Correctional Services 2008/9 Annual Report. CSPRI is also represented on the Section 5 Committee on Torture of the South African Human Rights Commission.

CSPRI hosted a group from the Uganda-based human rights organisation, Center for Justice for Accused Persons in April. The purpose of the meeting was to explore experience and knowledge around advocacy initiatives.

The CSPRI co-ordinator attended the 45th Ordinary Session of the ACHPR in the Gambia and delivered a statement in response to the Intersession Activity Report of the Special Rapporteur of Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa.

Where the opportunity arises, CSPRI participates in activities of the Department of Correctional Services. Lukas Muntingh was appointed as a member of the Department of Correctional Services Task Team to develop a gang management strategy. CSPRI also attended a roundtable discussion on prison health care hosted by the Minister of Correctional Services in September.

A number of activities were also undertaken outside of South Africa. Lukas Muntingh attended a training programme hosted by the Zimbabwean Human Rights NGO Forum in Maputo, Mozambique. The training programme focused on the African human rights system.

Local Government Project

The Project made written submissions on two proposed constitutional amendment bills (17th and 18th Amendment Bills) and on the 2009 Land Transport Bill to Parliament. Furthermore, Nico Steytler and Jaap de Visser addressed the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs in a small evening workshop, hosted by the Minister and the Deputy Minister. During this 'one-on-one' engagement, the Local Government Project was given the rare opportunity to offer its views on district governance and the division of authority between the three spheres of government.

The recommendations in the report on the quality of democracy in local government, was advocated widely. The research was presented to the Good Governance Learning Network (GGLN), the Institute of Local Government Management (ILGM), the Institute of Municipal Administration in Southern Africa (IMASA), the senior management of the South Africa Local Governments Association (SALGA) and SALGA's executive leadership. The main message of this campaign was to call for greater separation of administration and politics at local government level.

During 2009, the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, embarked on an extensive assessment of the perilous state of local government. The Project hosted a roundtable on a "Turn-Around Strategy for Local Government". Bringing together some of the sector's most experienced practitioners, key government departments and Deputy Minister Yunus Carrim, the Roudtable identified the fundamental challenges facing local government and possible strategies to address the decline of this sphere of government. A report was submitted to the Department of Cooperative Government and Traditional Affairs, which had a marked impact on the development of the Department's subsequent turnaround strategy.

Socio-Economic Rights Project

The Project wrote letters to the Presidency and respective government departments, as well as the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on South Africa's failure to ratify the ICESCR. The Project, together with Women's Legal Centre, also wrote to government departments and South Africa's Permanent Mission in Geneva, requesting that the government support the creation of a UN special rapporteur on laws that discriminate against women. The letter was endorsed by 33 organisations and institutions (including the Commission on Gender Equality and the South African Human Rights Commission) and seven key individuals. The Project further submitted comments on AIDS Accountability International's draft Gender Reporting Index and draft AIDS Accountability Business Ranking, and endorsed a submission to the South African Law Reform Commission on sex work and public health in South Africa prepared by the University of Witwatersrand.

Chapter 5: Education, Training & Information Sharing

One of the Centre's core activities is to disseminate the Centre's expertise and research results to the broader community through education programmes, training workshops, publications and the website.

Education programmes

The Centre, once again, presented the bulk of the LLM Module on Constitutional Litigation at the University of the Western Cape. The Module consisted of courses on:

- children's rights;
- socio-economic rights; and
- gender equality and women's rights.

The LLM/MPhil in Local Government and Decentralisation was officially launched on 5 February. The module consisted of the Law of Intergovernmental Relations, the Law of Local Government, the Law of Good Governance, and an internship. The first two full-time students completed their modules, completed an internship and finalised their research papers before the end of the year.

The Centre, in partnership with a number of universities, presents the LLM in Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa for students from across the continent, organised by the Centre for Human Rights at the University of Pretoria. The partner universities are: Addis Ababa University, Catholic University of Cameroon, Eduardo Mondlane University, Makerere University, University of Ghana and University of Mauritius. In the second semester, it hosted six students who attended the LLM courses offered by the University of the Western Cape and completed their dissertations with the Centre. The Documentation Centre and its extensive collection on national and international materials, was the students' primary legal resource during the LLM programme.

Staff offered expert knowledge as guest lecturers. Lukas Muntingh gave a number of lectures to post-graduate students at the University of the Western Cape and the University of Cape Town, focusing on prison reform, sentencing and restorative justice. Heléne Combrinck presented a lecture to UWC's LLM students in International Human Rights on protection of women's rights, with specific reference to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women and the African Protocol on Women's Rights; and two lectures on legal aspects of gender-based violence to post-graduate students in the Department of Nursing, University of Stellenbosch. Yonatan Fessha taught the Bill of Rights to UWC's second year constitutional law students. Lilian Chenwi presented two guest lectures on housing rights and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, to participants of the Socio-Economic Rights Course, Good Governance programme at the University of Pretoria.

The Socio-Economic Rights Project hosted an intern from the American University in Washington DC for one month, who worked on the right to food; a visiting researcher from the Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, who worked on the impact of a constitutional right to water; and an undergraduate intern from the University of Cape Town.

Lay publications

Article 40 and Article 19

The Children's Rights Project continues to produce *Article 40*, its publication on child justice developments in South Africa. The Project published three editions, which remains well received amongst practitioners and is often quoted in research. In particular, the publication has focused on information sharing regarding the imminent implementation of the Child Justice Act. The publication is now widely distributed both to South African and international audiences. To increase readership and accessibility, the publication is available on the Project's website and the Project received many queries regarding child justice due to the exposure created by *Article 40* being available electronically. The two editions of *Article 19* had a wider regional focus, as a second regional representative was elected to serve on the editorial board. All the issues of *Article 19* are also available on the Project's website.

CSPRI Newsletter and CSPRI 30 Days/Izinsuku/Dae

CSPRI publishes two electronic newsletters, *CSPRI Newsletter* and *CSPRI 30 Days/Izinsuku/Dae*. Six issues of CSPRI Newsletter were published dealing with the following thematic issues: Guidelines for the prevention and treatment of HIV in arrested, detained and sentenced persons; the Correctional Services Portfolio Committee; the state of Uganda's Prisons; South Africa and the UN Committee against Torture; the relationship between assault and overcrowding in South African prisons; and improved monitoring and reporting to promote and protect the rights of prisoners under the African human rights system. Eleven issues of the monthly media monitoring newsletter, *CSPRI 30 Days/Izinsuku/Dae*, were published.

Local Government Bulletin

With the completion of the 10th volume of the *Local Government Bulletin* in 2008, the Local Government Project dedicated 2009 to the celebration of the 10-year anniversary. The 46 editions of the *Local Government Bulletin* have detailed the transformation of local government by keeping local government practitioners informed of important policy and legal developments. A 900 page compilation was produced and made accessible be means of an index and a CD-ROM.

Five editions of the *Local Government Bulletin* were produced and 11 000 copies of each edition were disseminated to all municipalities and a wide array of government departments and institutions, completing the 11th year of publication in 2009. The *Bulletin* continues to provide a unique service in that it updates its readers on critical legal and policy developments. The *Bulletin* discussed matters such as the "Turn-Around Strategy", the effects of the Planning Commission on local government, proposed constitutional amendments, critical court cases etc.

As part of its 'Practitioners Helpdesk' service, the Local Government Project members have been providing ad hoc legal advice to officials and councillors in local government. Some of the legal advice was written up and included in the *Local Government Bulletin*.

ESR Review

The Socio-Economic Rights Project produced four issues of the *ESR Review*, with 2500 copies of each of the first three issues and 3000 of the fourth issue distributed both nationally and internationally. The *ESR Review* is also available electronically on the Project's website.

Other Publications

The Children's Rights Project published a user-friendly booklet on the provisions of the Child Justice Act called "Getting to know the Child Justice Act". This booklet removes all cross-references that the Act makes and presents the Act in 'plain' language. With that the Children's Rights Project, under the auspices of the Child Justice Alliance, also published a tool that would assist civil society organisations and other NGO's to monitor the implementation of the Act. The information received from this tool would be used to supplement further research and would be communicated to the Inter-Sectoral Committee on Child Justice, which is responsible for implementing the Act.

In giving effect to its mission of making human rights law accessible to the lay person, CSPRI published a user-friendly guide on the Convention against Torture and how it applies to South Africa.

The Socio-Economic Rights Project produced four publications. The first, Claiming economic, social and cultural rights at the international level, provides useful and accessible information on the ICESCR and the OP-ICESCR, with a circulation of 3000 copies. It aims to raise awareness of the standards and mechanisms in these treaties, as well as other mechanisms within the United Nations and African system. The second, Security, peace and dignity: The right to have access to housing of women who are victims of gender-based violence, was published as Socio-Economic Rights Project Research Series 5, with a circulation of 2 000 copies. It focuses on the government's obligations in relation to access to housing for women experiencing genderbased violence. The third, From the global to the local: The role of international law in the enforcement of socio-economic rights in South Africa, was published as Socio-Economic Rights Project Research Series 6, with a circulation of 2 000 copies. It explores the vital role of international human rights law and jurisprudence, including the United Nations and African human rights systems and policy frameworks, in advancing socio-economic rights at the domestic level in South Africa and the fourth publication, Child poverty and children's rights of access to food and basic nutrition in South Africa: A contextual, jurisprudential and policy analysis, published as Socio-Economic Rights Project Research Series 7, with a circulation of 2 000 copies. Drawing insights from international human rights law, it analyses the significance of, and correlation between the right of access to food for children and their right to basic nutrition as defined under sections 27(1)(b) and section 28(1)(c) of the Constitution, respectively. All these publications are available electronically on the Project's website.

Workshops and training programmes

Children's Rights Project

The Project, under the banner of the Child Justice Alliance, facilitated one day provincial workshops in Cape Town, Johannesburg, Durban, Port Elizabeth, Nelspruit, Upington and Polokwane, introducing the provisions of the Child Justice Act to various NGOs, civil society organisations and government employees. Two further workshops will be held in Bloemfontein and Rustenburg during 2010.

The Project, in collaboration with the Department of Social Development, hosted three pilot workshops to test the efficacy of the training materials produced by the Project. All these workshops were held in Pretoria.

The Project, in collaboration with the Department of Social Development, also hosted a consultative workshop on the guidelines it produced for probation officers, assistant probation officers and child and youth care workers in rendering services for children in conflict with the law. This workshop was held in Pretoria.

Gender Project

The Project presented a workshop to disseminate the findings of the research on training for SAPS members on the Domestic Violence Act at the Centre of the Book, Cape Town. The workshop was attended by SAPS members, representatives from women's organisations, the Commission on Gender Equality and the Independent Complaints Directorate. The workshop was repeated in Oudtshoorn for the benefit of station commissioners in the south eastern Cape, where a part of the research took place. The Project also presented its findings to the SAPS provincial commissioner of the Western Cape and two senior staff members.

Civil Society Prison Reform Initiative (CSPRI)

In February CSPRI hosted a seminar in Pretoria releasing its research report, 'An Assessment of the Impact of HIV/AIDS on Correctional System governance with Special Emphasis on Correctional Services Staff'. The workshop was well attended by DCS staff from the nine provinces. CSPRI also hosted three roundtable discussions in the second half of the year, focusing on prison oversight, the annual report of the Judicial Inspectorate for Correctional Services and the White Paper on Corrections in South Africa. Summaries of these discussions are available on the CSPRI website.

CSPRI continues to foster a close relationship with the Judicial Inspectorate for Correctional Services and participated in a roundtable discussion, hosted by the Judicial Inspectorate Visitors' Committee at Pollsmoor Prison in April. The purpose of the discussion was to address problems experienced by non-South Africans in the prison system.

Local Government Project

On 1 July, every municipality had to commence with the implementation of the Municipal Property Rates Act. In the run-up to this important deadline, the Local Government Project hosted an international seminar on municipal property rates. The seminar attracted practitioners, property valuers, academics and students to discuss this important revenue source for local government.

A Conference was held to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the *Local Government Bulletin*. The Conference was opened by the acting Director-General of the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs. It drew together politicians and officials across the three spheres of government, academics and civil society representatives to debate political accountability, parliamentary oversight, community participation and district municipalities. The Conference concluded with a session on international comparisons of systems of local government, with particular emphasis on decentralisation in Ethiopia, Uganda and Zimbabwe.

While South Africa debates a Turn-Around Strategy for local government, a greater turn-around for local government may be on the cards in Zimbabwe. Zimbabwe is engaging in a constitutional dialogue towards a new constitution. Progress has been painfully slow due to the

tension between the two governing parties. However, local government will be on the agenda. The Project therefore hosted a 'Policy Dialogue on the Future of Local Government in Zimbabwe' Seminar in Harare, which brought together a diverse spectrum of local government practitioners and politicians to discuss issues related to local government in Zimbabwe. This seminar was opened by the Minister for Local Government and was aimed at complementing the constitutional review process currently underway in Zimbabwe. The seminar was a key milestone in an ongoing research project, involving the compilation of a book on the future of local government in Zimbabwe.

Nico Steytler and Jaap de Visser conducted training on federalism for academics and government officials in Sudan in two separate training sessions in Khartoum. Jaap de Visser conducted training for municipal councillors and officials in George, Oudtshoorn and Mossel Bay, focusing on the delineation of responsibilities within municipalities. Nico Steytler and Jaap de Visser conducted training for the Western Cape Provincial Parliament on the functioning of provincial parliaments and supervision of local government respectively.

Socio-Economic Rights Project

The Project hosted three seminars and co-organised a series of strategy meetings and a book launch during 2009. The first seminar was on litigating socio-economic rights at the international level and introducing the OP-ICESCR, which was held in May. The objectives of the seminar were to raise awareness of the OP-ICESCR and various procedures it establishes; to provide a forum where institutions and organisations working on socio-economic rights can discuss, reflect and share experiences on enhancing the implementation of socio-economic rights and effective litigation strategies; and to provide a forum for networking and initiate future collaboration amongst the participating institutions and organisation. The second seminar was on gender, HIV and AIDS in South Africa, which was held in July. This seminar aimed at taking stock of recent developments and to reflect on progress, setbacks and challenges on dealing with HIV and AIDS in women's context and fostering conversation between the different categories of stake holders involved in work and efforts around HIV/AIDS in South Africa. The third seminar. on housing for people with special needs, was held in November. The aims were to present research that had been conducted on the nature and extent of the South African government's duty to promote the right of access to adequate housing for women experiencing domestic violence (one of the special needs groups); to take stock of where the country is at the moment in terms of special needs housing, particularly in the Western Cape; and to consider what the key questions are for research and for policy makers and what areas require further work or intervention (and in what form).

Together with Pretoria University Law Press, the Project also organised a book launch in December, consisting of six socio-economic rights books.

Chapter 6: Other Activities

Working with State Institutions

The Socio-Economic Rights Project collaborated with the South African Human Rights Commission on the ratification of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) by South Africa. The Commission as well as the Gender Commission also endorsed the letter of the Project and Women's Legal Centre regarding the creation of a special rapporteur at the United Nations level on laws that discriminate against women. The Project engaged with the City of Cape Town and the provincial Department of Local Government and Housing on special needs housing issues, involving them in one of the seminars organised.

Working with non-governmental organisations Children's Rights Project

The Project is an active member of the Southern African Network on the Prohibition of Corporal Punishment and serves on the Working Group on Corporal Punishment in South Africa. The Network is a group of organisations in the Southern African region that lobbies and advocates for the ban of corporal punishment. The Working Group is a South African based alliance of organisations that actively participates in advocating for a prohibition on corporal punishment by parents.

The project serves as the secretariat and coordinator of the Child Justice Alliance. This Alliance is a civil society alliance with over 400 members (NGOs) that all have an interest in child justice issues. The Alliance is the leading network in South Africa on the topic of child justice issues.

Gender Project

A member of the Project formed part of a group of civil society organisations compiling a 'shadow report' in response to the government's report to the Committee monitoring the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). The South African government submitted a consolidated second, third and fourth report to the Committee in 2009; the second and third reports were long overdue.

The Gender Project worked with the UWC Legal Aid Clinic to develop promotional materials for the Khayelitsha Satellite Clinic and to calculate statistics relating to client intake and the profile of the Clinic.

Socio-Economic Rights Project

As a member of ESCR-Net and the NGO Coalition for an Optional Protocol to the ICESCR (OP-ICESCR), the Project engages with other organisations at both the national and international levels. The Project, together with Black Sash, National Welfare Social Service and Development Forum and People's Health Movement South Africa, initiated an advocacy campaign aimed at working towards South Africa's ratification of the ICESCR. The activities included engagement with government through attending a parliamentary hearing where campaign representatives prompted parliament to question government on the reasons why it has not ratified the ICESCR; coalition building and engagement with other civil society organizations; development of educational and resource materials on the importance of the ICESCR, why South Africa should ratify and a comparison chart of the ICESCR and the Constitution, which can be accessed on the campaign website; organisation of a seminar, in collaboration with the South African Human

Rights Commission; regular (mostly weekly) email updates to organisations, institutions and individuals on the listserv; and letters to government and the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, as well as informal meetings with government officials on ratification.

International assistance and collaboration Children's Rights Project

The Project provided technical assistance to the UNICEF Botswana office on the draft regulations annexed to the Botswana Children's Act, 2009. This forms part of a project cooperation agreement that has been signed with UNICEF to undertake child law reform activities in Southern and Eastern Africa. The two-year project entails providing technical assistance to selected countries in Southern and Eastern Africa intending to or currently undertaking child law reform processes.

Julia Sloth-Nielsen and Benyam Mezmur also attended the 13th session of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia during April.

Socio-Economic Rights Project

As a partner of the international NGO Coalition, a joint comprehensive submission was made to the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights) on key issues in relation to the OP-ICESCR and its Rules of Procedure. Joint letters were also written to government missions in Geneva and their ministries of foreign affairs of states under review at Human Rights Council, and to states participating in the Council's session on the ratification of the OP-ICESCR, and to signatory states on their signing of the OP-ICESCR and encouraging ratification and fair process in appointment of members to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

Lilian Chenwi attended the United Nations Signature Ceremony of the OP-ICESCR held at the UN headquarters in New York in September. Chenwi also participated in a three-day meeting, making a presentation on the work of the Coalition and related activities in South Africa, in September in New York, organised by the International NGO Coalition. Chenwi further attended a panel discussion on enforcing economic, social and cultural rights: the hope and challenge of the Optional Protocol, organised by the NGO Coalition together with the Center for Human Rights and Global Justice of New York University Law School.

The International NGO Coalition launched a campaign 'Justice NOW! Ratify to Protect all Human Rights' to ensure ratification and implementation of the OP-ICESCR. The campaign is hosted on ESCR-Net's website, which is in charge of coordinating the activities of the NGO Coalition. A key advocacy action of the campaign consisted of on an online petition launched by the NGO Coalition, which received the endorsement of over 30,000 people from all over the world and served as a key tool to encourage signature by states and create awareness around the OP-ICESCR. The campaign has been very successful - thus far, 30 states have signed the OP-ICESCR, reaching beyond our expectations.

Rebecca Amollo attended the Africa fellowship program of the University of Utrecht, the Netherlands, for three months, where she conducted research and made presentations at seminars in the area of women, health, HIV and AIDS.

Amicus Curiae Litigation

The Socio-Economic Rights Project did not intervene in a case in 2009. However, the Constitutional Court handed down judgment on 10 June 2009 in the case of Residents of Joe Slovo Community Western Cape v Thubelisha Homes and Others Case No CCT 22/08, which as reported in 2008, the Project intervened in, together with the Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions. The judgment underscored the necessity of meaningful engagement and the provision of alternative accommodation. The Constitutional Court's judgment included very positive remarks with regard to the amici submissions. The Court found the submissions of the amici to be extensive, helpful and of particular value. In this regard, Justice Yacoob held that '[t]he amici curiae have made extensive and helpful submissions' (para 112). Justice O'Regan also held that '[t]he key question then is whether there has been meaningful engagement between the respondents and the applicants in relation to the implementation of the plan. Here, the argument of the *amici* was of particular value, it seemed to me, in recognising that the obligation to engage meaningfully imposed by section 26(2) of the Constitution should be understood together with the obligation to act fairly imposed by section 33 of the Constitution, as spelt out in PAJA' (para 297, footnote omitted). Justice Sachs also stated that '[i]n this application for leave to appeal [the Community Law Centre and the Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions] were allowed to continue as amici curiae. The arguments they submitted were most helpful' (para 328, footnote 7).

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Local Government Project:	ICCO Austrian Development Cooperation Charles Stewart Mott Foundation
Socio-Economic Rights Project:	Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo
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LLM in Human Rights & Democratisation in Africa	Centre for Human Rights (University of Pretoria)
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- Amollo, Rebecca. "Women and HIV/AIDS in South Africa: Access to health services", Presentation delivered at a seminar organised by the Institute of Health Policy and Management, University of Erasmus, Rotterdam, the Netherlands, March.
- Amollo, Rebecca. "Realising women's right to housing as an entry point in the fight against HIV/AIDS: South African perspectives", Presentation delivered at a researchers meeting organised by the Netherlands Institute for Human Rights, University of Utrecht, Utrecht, April.
- Amollo, Rebecca. "The Sexual Law (Sexual Offences and Related Matters) Amendment Act: Avenues and challenges", Presentation delivered at a Seminar on Health and Human Rights, co-organised by the Netherlands Institute of Human Rights (SIM) and International Federation of Health and Human Rights Organisations (IFHHRO), University of Utrecht, Utrecht, April.
- Amollo, Rebecca. "Tackling the HIV/AIDS yoke on women: Legal and policy perspectives on the care economy" Presentation delivered at a *Seminar on Gender, HIV and AIDS: Tracking the trends, progress and tribulations in South Africa*, organised by the Socio-Economic Rights Project, Community Law Centre, UWC, July.
- Ayele, Zemelak. Participated in International Summer University on "Federalism, Decentralisation and Diversity" - 21st Edition, Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg, Switzerland, 24 August – 11 September.

- Ayele, Zemelak. 'Local government in Ethiopia -challenges and Prospects", Presentation delivered at the 10th Anniversary of the Local Government Bulletin, UWC, Bellville, July.
- Chenwi, Lilian. "Housing rights", Presentation delivered to the Rutgers University law students, UWC, Bellville, March.
- Chenwi, Lilian. "The Optional Protocol to the ICESCR", Presentation at a *seminar on Litigating* socio-economic rights at the international level: Introducing the Optional Protocol to the ICESCR, organised by the Socio-Economic Rights Project, Community Law Centre, UWC, May.
- Chenwi, Lilian. "The work plan, goals and future projects of the Coalition", Presentation delivered at a three-day strategy meeting organised by the International NGO Coalition for an Optional Protocol to the ICESCR, New York, September.
- Combrinck Heléne and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "The Police need more training on the Domestic Violence Act! Or do they?", Presentations delivered at Cape Town, April and Oudtshoorn, May.
- De Visser, Jaap. Panellist at Plenary Questions and Answers Session of the Institute of Municipal Finance Officers' Annual Conference, Johannesburg, October.
- De Visser Jaap. "Organisation of municipalities, political-bureaucratic interface and overregulation", Presentation delivered to the National Executive Committee Lekgotla of the South African Local Government Association, Durban, September.
- De Visser, Jaap. "The quality of Local Democracies: A study into the functionality of municipal governance arrangements", Presentation delivered to the Executive Management Team Lekgotla of the South African Local Government Association, Krugersdorp, August.
- De Visser, Jaap. "Delivery, Accountability & Deployment Practices", Presentation delivered to the Good Governance Learning Network, Cape Town, July.
- De Visser, Jaap. "Delineating roles and responsibilities in the changing world of local government", Presentation delivered to the Institute of Municipal Administration for Southern Africa, Polokwane, June.
- De Visser, Jaap. "Local Government in South Africa: an overview". Presentation delivered at the Seminar on the *Future of Local Government in Zimbabwe*. Harare, Zimbabwe, November.
- De Visser, Jaap. "Getting political structures and accountability right". Presentation delivered at the *10th Anniversary of the Local Government Bulletin*, UWC, Bellville, July.
- du Toit, Carina and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "Private Law Issues in terms of the Children's Act, Amendment Act and Regulations", Workshop delivered for the 'Advanced Phase: Training on the Children's Act, Children's Amendment Act and Regulations at the Department of Social Development, Pretoria, September.
- Fessha, Yonatan. "Federalism and ethnic diversity in Africa, Postgraduate class in Human Rights and Democratization in Africa", Lecture presented for the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, February.
- Fessha, Yonatan. "Decentralization and ethnicity", Lecture presented to LLM Intergovernmental Relations, UWC, Bellville, March.
- Fessha, Yonatan. "Provincial and district intergovernmental forums in South Africa", Lecture presented to LLM Intergovernmental Relations, UWC, Bellville, April.
- Fessha, Yonatan. "Empowering local government in Africa: Emerging initiatives", Presentation delivered at the 10th Anniversary of the Local Government Bulletin. UWC, Bellville, July.

- Fessha, Yonatan. "Accommodating ethnic diversity in South Africa and Ethiopia in a comparative perspective", Presentation delivered to the Rutgers University law students, UWC, Bellville, March.
- Gallinetti, Jacqui and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "Getting to know the Child Justice Act", Workshop on the provisions of the Child Justice Act, Cape Town, September.
- Gallinetti, Jacqui; Robertson, Bianca and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "Getting to know the Child Justice Act", Workshop on the provisions of the Child Justice Act, Johannesburg, October.
- Gallinetti, Jacqui and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "Using the Training Materials on the Children's Act, Children's Amendment Act and Regulations", Presentations at the Department of Social Development National Child Protection Forum, Pretoria, November.
- Kassan, Daksha. Submission on the Combating Trafficking in Persons Bill for the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development.
- Kassan, Daksha. Trained social workers in the Western Cape on the Children's Act and its regulations for the Western Cape Department of Social Services, Cape Town, March.
- Kassan, Daksha. Facilitated pilot workshops on the draft Foundation Module and Intermediate Module of the training materials developed for the National Department of Social Development, Pretoria, April and June.
- Kassan, Daksha. "The Child Justice Bill and its implication for probation officers", Presentation for the Gauteng Provincial Department of Social Services, Gauteng, March.
- Kassan, Daksha. "Global Status of Corporal Punishment of Children", Presentation at the Annual meeting of the Southern African Network to End Corporal and Humiliating Punishment of Children, Pretoria, May.
- May, Annette. "International workshop on local participatory development in Southern and Eastern Africa", Discussant for Champions of Participation, Cape Town, November.
- May, Annette. "Institutional Participation in the South African Public Sphere", Facilitator for Democracy and Development Programme, Durban, September.
- May, Annette and de Visser, Jaap. "Community participation in local government", Copresentation delivered to the Faculty of Law, University of Cape Town, September.
- May, Annette. "Community participation in South Africa searching for the rainbow", Presentation delivered at the 10th Anniversary of the Local Government Bulletin, UWC, Bellville, July.
- Mbambo, Buyi and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "Child Care Facilities and Early Childhood Development Programmes in terms of the Children's Act, Amendment Act and Regulations", Workshop delivered to the Department of Social Development, Pretoria, September.
- Mezmur, Benyam. "Children's Rights in Africa", Lecture presented for the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, May.
- Mezmur, Benyam. "Intercountry adoptions of Madonna from Malawi", Presentation delivered at UCERF, Utrecht University, the Netherlands, 29 June.
- Mujuzi, Jamil. "The establishment of an anti-torture initiative within SADC", Presentation at a workshop hosted by the South African Centre for Survivors of Torture, Johannesburg, 28 29 April.
- Mujuzi, Jamil. "Life imprisonment in South Africa", Lecture to postgraduate programme of UWC and University of Missouri, Bellville, 26 June.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "Prison gangs", Presentation at a roundtable discussion hosted by the Department of Correctional Services, Pretoria, February.

- Muntingh, Lukas. "Diversion and the Child Justice Bill", Presentation at a conference hosted by the Western Cape Department of Social Development at Chrysalis Academy, Cape Town, March.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "HIV/AIDS and prison governance", Presentation at a HIV and AIDS Indaba hosted by the Department of Correctional Services Western Cape, Goudini Spa, March.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "The South African prison system" Presentation at a roundtable discussion on criminal justice reform hosted by OSF(SA), Cape Town, July.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "HIV/AIDS and prison governance", Presentation at the inaugural conference of the African HIV in Prisons Partnership Network (AHPPN) hosted by the UNODC, Johannesburg, 17-18 November.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "Prison reform in South Africa", Lecture to postgraduate programme of UWC and University of Missouri, Bellville, 24 June.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "Restorative justice in South Africa" Lecture to postgraduate programme of UWC and University of Missouri, Bellville, 10 July.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "Imprisonment and punishment", Lecture to LLM students at UCT Law Faculty, Cape Town, 22 October.
- Muntingh, Lukas. "Imprisonment and punishment", Lecture to a group of US exchange students hosted by UCT, Cape Town, 2 November.
- Ncgobo, Bonisile and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "Getting to know the Child Justice Act", Workshop on the provisions of the Child Justice Act, Durban and Port Elizabeth, October.
- Robertson, Bianca and Wakefield, Lorenzo. "Getting to know the Child Justice Act", Workshop on the provisions of the Child Justice Act, Nelspruit, Upington and Polokwane, November.
- Singiza, Douglas. "Local government in Uganda challenges and prospects", Presentation delivered at the 10th Anniversary of the Local Government Bulletin. UWC, Bellville, July.
- Singiza, Douglas. Participated in the International Summer University "Federalism, Decentralisation and Diversity" Twenty first session, the Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg, Switzerland, 24 August – 11 September.
- Sloth-Nielsen, Julia and Waterhouse, Sam. "The Child Protection System in terms of the Children's Act, Amendment Act and Regulations", Workshop delivered for the 'Advanced Phase: Training on the Children's Act, Children's Amendment Act and Regulations at the Department of Social Development, Pretoria, September.
- Steytler, Nico. "Challenges of Intergovernmental Relations", Key note address at a conference on Intergovernmental Relations, Western Cape, Department of the Premier, March.
- Steytler, Nico. "Intergovernmental Relations and the role of the Federal Government", Presentation to the Ministry of Federal Governance, Khartoum, Sudan, June.
- Steytler, Nico. "Dispute Settlement in federal systems", Presentation to the Ministry of Federal Governance, Karthoum, Sudan, June.
- Steytler, Nico. "The Significance of South Africa's System of Local Government in the Perspective of other Decentralised and Federal Countries", Presentation delivered at the *10th Anniversary of the Local Government Bulletin*. UWC, Bellville, July.
- Steytler, Nico. "Legal regulation of local government", Presentation to Salga executive management Team, Muldersdrif, Gauteng, August.
- Steytler, Nico. "Legislative powers of provinces", Presentation to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament, Cape Town, August.

Steytler, Nico. "The assignment of libraries and museums to municipalities", workshop, Department of the Premier, Western Cape Provincial Government, Bellville.

6. Membership of bodies and other activities

Amollo, Rebecca

Member, Association for Women's Rights in Development Expert Panel Member, AIDS Accountability International Co-editor, *ESR Review* 10(2) and (4) Teaching, LLM Economic, Social and Cultural Rights module Teaching, LLM Gender and the Law module Examiner, LLM Dissertation, UWC

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Steering Committee Member, International NGO Coalition for an Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Member, International Academic Network against Death Penalty or Universal Moratorium on Capital Punishment
Editor, *ESR Review* 10(1), (2), (3) and (4)
Editorial Assistant, *Research Series* (SERP)
Editorial Board Member, *Housing and ESC Rights Law Quarterly* (COHRE)
Supervisor, one LLM Dissertation, UWC
Teaching, LLM Economic, Social and Cultural Rights module
Referee, *Stellenbosch Law Review*

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"C" rating by National Research Foundation (2010-2014) Member, Reference Group of Good Governance Learning Network Member, City of Cape Town Climate Change Research Reference Group Co-editor, *Local Government Bulletin* External Examiner, MA University of KwaZulu-Natal Supervision, LLM thesis Local Government in Zimbabwe Member, European Group of Public Law Teaching, LL M module Local Government Law Teaching, Training workshop for Sudanese academics on federalism, Khartoum, December

Fessha, Yonatan

Supervisor, two completed LL M theses Coordinator, monthly CLC Research meeting Coordinator, monthly research meeting for doctoral candidates (LLD Support Group) Coordinator, bi-monthly research meeting for Graduate Lecturing Assistants Reviewer, *Publius: the Journal on Federalism* and for *Journal of Ethiopian Law*

Gallinetti, Jacqui

Editor, *Article 40* (1) (3) Editorial board member, *Child and Youth Care*, a NACCW journal Internal Examiner for three LL M theses, UWC External Examiner for four LL M theses, UWC External Examiner for one LL M theses, UKZN External Examiner for one LL M theses, UCT Supervisor, two completed LL M theses Member of Driver Group, Child Justice Alliance Reviewer, a book for Ashgate Publishers Reviewer, *African Human Rights Law Journal*

Heleba, Siyambonga

Co-editor, *ESR Review* 10(1) Guest editor, ESR Review 10(3)

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Co-Editor, *Article 40* (Feb 2009- Aug 2009) *Co-Editor*, *Article 19* (Feb 2009- Aug 2009) Member, Children's Rights Advisory Council

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Managing Editor, *Local Government Bulletin* Member, Good Governance Learning Network Referee, *SA Public Law* Co-cordinator, LLM in Local Government and Decentralisation. Taught modules in the course on Local Government Law (LLM in Local Government and Decentralisation)

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Member, Section 5 Committee on Torture of the South African Human Rights Committee Editorial board member, *Article 40* Member, Advisory Board, Restorative Justice Centre Member, Steering Committee of the African HIV in Prisons Partnership Network (AHPPN)

Robertson, Bianca

Co-Editor, *Article 19* 5(2) Co-ordinator, Driver Group of Child Justice Alliance

Sloth-Nielsen, Julia

Editorial Board Member, *The International Journal of Children's Rights* Editorial Board Member, *Article 40* and *Article 19* Editor, *CSPRI Newsletter* Board Member, Restorative Justice Centre Board Member, RAPCAN External examiner, LL M theses Supervisor, completed LL M theses

Steytler, Nico

"B" rating by National Research Foundation (2010-2014) Teaching, LL M module Law of Intergovernmental Relations Convener, LL M module on Socio-economic rights Supervisor, two completed LL M theses Teaching, Training workshop for Sudanese academics on federalism, Khartoum, June Teaching, at the Summer School on Federalism, University of Freibourg, Switzerland External examiner, LL M, Faculty of Law, University of KwaZulu-Natal External examiner, LL D, University of Pretoria Reviewer, Publius: the Journal on Federalism, SA Public Law Invited expert to comment on Harmonious Draft Constitution, Nairobi, Kenya, December Member (Reappointed), Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB) 2009-2014 Vice-President, International Association of Centres for Federal Studies Member, advisory editorial board, Global Dialogue on Federalism, Forum of Federations Member of Experts Advisory Committee, for 5th International Conference of Federalism, hosted by the Government of Ethiopia and the Forum of Federations, to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Panel member, Evaluation Panel for Law, National Research Foundation External member of the Legislative Task Team, Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs Panel member, Municipal Accreditation with housing function, Department of Human Settlement Co-Editor, Law Democracy and Development Co-Editor, Local Government Bulletin Contributing editor, South African Journal of Criminal Justice Trustee, Association of University Legal Aid Institutions Trust Member, Senate Higher Degrees Committee, UWC Chairperson, Faculty of Law Higher Degrees Committee

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