

## AGENDA

# SEMINAR

## COALITION GOVERNANCE IN WESTERN CAPE MUNICIPALITIES: A SOUTH AFRICAN BLUEPRINT?

**Date:** 27 September 2024 • **Venue:** Premier Hotel in Sea Point, Cape Town

TIME	PROGRAMME DETAILS
<b>OPENING SESSION</b>	
09h00–09h30	<p><b>Welcome Remarks</b> – ACCORD (5 mins)</p> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b> – Embassy of Ireland in South Africa (5 mins) (TBC)</p> <p><b>Keynote Address</b> – Prof Jaap de Visser, National Research Chair in Multilevel Government, Law and Development, Dullah Omar Institute, University of Western Cape (15 mins)</p>
<b>SESSION ONE: STRENGTHENING INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS TO IMPROVE SERVICE DELIVERY</b>	
<b>Facilitator: Dr Shehaam Johnstone, State Law Advisor, Western Cape Government</b>	
09h30–10h30	<p><b>Cooperative governance and intergovernmental relations: Dissecting the District Development Model</b> – Mr Ashley Losch, Director: Intergovernmental Coordination, Departments: Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (CoGTA) (15 mins)</p> <p><b>Intergovernmental relations and dispute resolution between spheres of government and organs of state</b>– Prof Yonatan Fessha, Lecturer and National Research Chair on Constitutional Design in Divided Societies, University of the Western Cape (15 mins)</p> <p><b>The state of coalition governance in Western Cape municipalities</b> – Mr Lance Joel, Chief of Operations, South African Local Government Association (SALGA) (15 mins)</p> <p><b>Facilitated Discussion</b> (15mins)</p>
<b>TEA BREAK (10h30–10h45)</b>	

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<p align="center"><b>SESSION TWO: ELECTORAL AND POLITICAL DYNAMICS IN WESTERN CAPE</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Facilitator: Mr Nkanyiso Simelane, Researcher, African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD)</b></p>	
10h45–11h45	<p><b>Election trends in the Western Cape and their impact on coalition formation, coupled with projections for the future</b> – Prof Susan Booysen, Political analyst and Associate of the Mapungubwe Institute for Strategic Reflection (MISTRA) (15 mins) (TBC)</p> <p><b>An overview of key political developments in the Western Cape</b> – Dr Zwelethu Jolobe, Associate Professor and Head of Department Political Studies, University of Cape Town (15 mins)</p> <p><b>Facilitated Discussion</b> (30 mins)</p>
<p align="center"><b>SESSION THREE: INSIGHTS INTO COALITION (IN)STABILITY AND GOVERNANCE IN SELECTED WESTERN CAPE MUNICIPALITIES</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Facilitator: Adv. Jennica Beukes, Legal Practitioner &amp; Doctoral Researcher, Dullah Omar Institute, University of the Western Cape</b></p>	
11h45–12h45	<p><b>Coalition Governance in Saldanha Bay Local Municipality</b> – Mr André Truter, Executive Mayor, Saldanha Bay Local Municipality (10 mins)</p> <p><b>The impact of coalition governance on the functioning of the municipal administration</b> – Mr Raymond Esau, Director: Strategic Support Services, Breede Valley Local Municipality (10 mins)</p> <p><b>Navigating red tape in municipalities: Best practices from George Local Municipality</b> - Ms Rachel Williams, Manager: Library Service, George Local Municipality (10 mins)</p> <p><b>Respondent</b> – Mr Joel Bregman, Senior Researcher, My Vote Counts (10 mins)</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A Facilitated Discussion</b> (20 mins)</p>
<p align="center"><b>CLOSING SESSION</b></p>	
12h45–13h00	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b> – DOI/UWC (5 mins)</p> <p><b>Vote of Thanks</b> – ACCORD (5 mins)</p> <p><b>Group Photo</b> – ALL (5 mins)</p>
<p align="center"><b>LUNCH (13h00–14h00)</b></p> <p align="center"><b>END</b></p>	