

Evidence-Based Policing South Africa Conference 2026: From Knowledge to Action: Doing What Works in South African Policing

19–20 October 2026

UCT Graduate School of Business (GSB) Academic Conference Centre at the
Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge.

Draft Programme

Monday 19 October		
08:30	Registration	
09:00	Welcome	1. Ottilia Anna Maunganidze – Programme Head of Special Projects at Institute for Security Studies 2. Hanns Bühler – Regional Resident Representative Southern Africa, Hanns Seidel Foundation 3. Dr Vanya Gastrow – Senior Researcher, Institute for Security Studies
09:30	Session 1: Post-Madlanga: Leadership and transformative change in South African policing	1. Advocate Vusi Pikoli – Special Advisor to the Minister of Police in South Africa 2. Prof. Irvin Kinnes – Department of Public Law, University of Cape Town 3. Dr Zukiswa Mqolomba – Deputy Chairperson of the Public Service Commission <i>Moderator: Prof. Sandy Africa – Director of Research at the Mapungubwe Institute for Strategic Reflection (MISTRA)</i>
11:00	Break	

11:30	Session 2: From arrest to conviction: Key steps to strengthen South Africa's criminal justice pipeline	1. Advocate Andy Mothibi – National Director of Public Prosecutions 2. Lieutenant-General Hilda Senthumule – Acting Deputy National Commissioner for Crime Detection, South African Police Service 3. Dr Martin Schönteich – International Consultant in Justice, Security and Rule of Law (online) <i>Moderator: Judge Dennis Davis – South African legal academic, jurist and retired judge.</i>
13:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00	Session 3: Key lessons for embedding evidence-based hotspot policing strategies	1. Major General Luyanda Damoyi – Western Cape Deputy Provincial Commissioner for Policing, South African Police Service 2. Amanda Dissel – Director: Policy and Research, Western Cape Department of Police Oversight and Community Safety 3. Dirk Vosloo – Acting Deputy Chief, Law Enforcement, City of Cape Town 4. Bernard Egger – Assistant Detective Chief Constable (Ret), formerly with the Bavarian State Office of Crime Investigation (online) <i>Moderator: Dr Anine Kriegler – Senior Researcher, Institute for Security Studies</i>
15:30	<i>End of day 1</i>	



Tuesday 20 October		
08:30	Registration	
09:00	Session 4: Trust at the front line: How to improve police legitimacy among the communities they serve	1. Dr Andrew Faull – Head of Operational Support, Safety & Security Directorate, City of Cape Town 2. Sebastian Abrahams – Deputy Chairperson of the Western Cape Provincial Community Police Forum Board 3. David Bruce – Senior Consultant for the Justice and Violence Prevention Programme, Institute for Security Studies <i>Moderator: Diketso Mufamadi-Mathebula – Project Manager, Institute for Security Studies</i>
10:30	Break	
11:00	Session 5: Key steps for disrupting extortion in township economies	1. [TBC] – Somali Community Services of the Western Cape 2. Brigadier L. Hanana – Western Cape Provincial Head of Serious & Violent Crime Investigations, South African Police Service 3. Dr Alexandra Abello Colak – Department of Geography and Environment, London School of Economics (online) <i>Moderator: Dr Vanya Gastrow – Senior Researcher, Institute for Security Studies</i>
12:30	Lunch	
13:30	Session 6: How could police support holistic violence prevention strategies?	1. Justin Lottering – Deputy Director, Western Cape Department of Police Oversight and Community Safety 2. Lieutenant-General Maropeng Mamotheti – Divisional Commissioner for Visible Policing and Operations, South African Police Service 3. Advocate Tarisai Mchuchu Macmillan – Executive Director, MOSAIC 4. Keenan Munnik and Lwanda Mponbo – Yes SA! Violence Prevention in Schools <i>Moderator: Senzekile Bengu – Research Officer, Institute for Security Studies</i>



15:00	Closing remarks	Lizette Lancaster – Head, Justice and Violence Prevention Programme, Institute for Security Studies
15:15	<i>End</i>	

