

## NADEOSA Conference, 27 and 28 August 2003

**Theme:** Collaboration in Distance Education: Developing Good Practice

**Sub-themes:**

Materials Development  
 Student Support  
 Collaboration across Sectors  
 National Skills Strategy

**DAY 1, 27<sup>th</sup> August**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
09:30 – 10:00	Tea/Coffee Registration for NADEOSA AGM.
10:00-12:00	Registration for NADEOSA Conference for those not attending the AGM.
10:00 – 12:00	NADEOSA AGM. <i>The meeting is open to all NADEOSA members but only nominated member delegates may vote for executive committee members.</i>
12:00 – 12:50	Lunch.
12:50 – 13:05	Plenary session: Welcome and overview of conference: NADEOSA President.
13:05 – 13:45	<b>First keynote address: Working together to maximise the role of distance education in higher education in South Africa – a report back on the research done for the Council on Higher Education. Jenny Glennie.</b>
13:45 – 14:55	Parallel sessions: <b>Sub-theme: National Skills Strategy.</b>
13:45-14:15	<b>Main Auditorium:</b> A Multi-media Distance Education Model for Training of Pharmacists' Assistants (Technicians) in South Africa – Lien Els and Hanna du Plessis (PM & A Academy)
14:15 – 14:45	Teach a Teacher and Teach a Nation – Tony Mays (SAIDE)
13:45 – 14:15	<b>Breakaway Room 1</b> Using Learning Environment Assessment to Improve Primary Mathematics Teaching during a Distance Education Teacher Training Programme – Siphon T Ntuli (KZN Department of Education)
14:15 – 14:45	Using Students as Informants in the Re-Designing Process: Possibilities and Constraints – Yvonne Reed (University of the Witwatersrand)
13:45-14:15	<b>Breakaway Room 2:</b> The “Open-ness” of Open Distance Learning (ODL) within Distance Education (DE) at Unisa – Maurice Taonezvi Vambe (Unisa)
14:15-14:45	Distance Learning as Learning – Ian Moll (SAIDE)
13:45-14:15	<b>Breakaway Room 3</b> Deaf Education at a Distance ... A Long Shot or Not? – Claudine Storbeck (University of the Witwatersrand)

14:15-14:45	Administering the Programme – Muyangana Munalula
14:45 – 15:00	Refreshment break.
15:00 – 15:30	<b>Second keynote address: The challenges and opportunities in merging the dedicated distance education institutions in South Africa. Prof Barney Pitjana (Vice-Chancellor and Principal: UNISA).</b>
15:30 – 16:40	Parallel sessions: <b>Sub-theme: Collaboration across Sectors.</b>
15:35-16:05	<b>Main Auditorium:</b> Making Collaboration Work – Fiona Bulman (University of Natal)
16:10-16:40	In Search of Universal Concepts of a Satellite Campus for Higher Education – KJ de Beer (TFS), DK Seleledi (Vista), and Mr Mathebula (TPta)
15:35-16:05	<b>Breakaway Room 1:</b> Distance Education – Collaboration across Sectors – LG Kamanja (Unisa)
16:10-16:40	Collaboration in Distance Education: Developing Good Practice – Peter Rule and Anne Harley (University of Natal)
15:35 –16:05	<b>Breakaway Room 2</b> Collaboration within the RADMASTE-Wits University FDE/ACE Maths and Science Upgrade Programmes – Mpunki Nakedi
16:40 – 17:20	Plenary session: Panel discussion on collaboration opportunities. Panel Chair: Prof EO Mashile. Panel: Prof S Mothata, Prof LJ Van Niekerk, Prof W Morrow, Ms C Randell. <i>The panel will pick up on some of the issues that have emerged during the first day and some of which will be explored in greater depth on the second day in order to generate discussion on some of the possibilities for collaboration and the potential hurdles that need to be overcome.</i>
17:20 – 17:30	Plenary session: Roving reporter wrap-up of day.
17:30 – 18:30	Cocktail function. <i>Apart from offering a welcome break from formal proceedings, the cocktail function should be seen as an ideal opportunity for collaborative networking.</i>

## DAY 2, 28<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

Time	Activity
08:00 – 08:30	Welcoming/refreshments/registration for those attending only on 28 August.
08:30 – 08:45	Plenary session: General announcements.
08:45 – 09:15	<b>Third keynote address: Teaching and the situation of co-presence – a reflection on the SAUVCA report in the light of the conference theme “Collaboration in Distance Education: Developing Good Practice”.</b> <b>Prof Wally Morrow.</b>
09:15 – 10:30	Parallel sessions: <b>Sub-theme: Student Support.</b>
09:20 - 09:50	<b>Main Auditorium:</b> Supporting Literate Prisoners as They Learn to Teach Illiterate Prisoners – Edna Freinkel (Readucate)
09:55 - 0:25	Peer Collaborative Learning as a Useful Tool to Student Support in Distance Learning – Daylan Govender and Michelle Frauendorf (TSA)
09:20-09:50	<b>Breakaway Room 1:</b> Sound Financial Management and Effective Communication to Students are Critical in Delivering Successful Distance Education Programmes: The Case of the University of Pretoria’s Unit for Distance Education – Johan Hendrikz and Jeanne-Marie Viljoen (University of Pretoria)
09:55-10:25	Maximizing Learning Support in Distance Education: A Delivery Style Perspective – EO Mashile (Unisa)
09:20-09:50	<b>Breakaway Room 2:</b> Enhancing Learning at a Distance through Listening: Strategies of Student Support in Teaching and Learning in Open Distance Learning (ODL) – KP Quan-Balfour (Unisa)
09:55-10:25	Supporting Students to Learn – Means of Inclusion for Distance at a Contact University – Carola Steinberg and others
10:30 – 11:00	Refreshment break/networking.
11:00 – 12:15	Parallel sessions: <b>Sub-theme: Materials Development.</b>
11:00-11:30	<b>Main Auditorium:</b> Materials Development: The Importance of a Needs Analysis – Annemarie Bates (TSA)
11:35-12:05	What are the Best Questions to Ask Students for Improving the Quality of Distance Education Materials? – Bridgit Davis (Unisa)
11:00-11:30	<b>Breakaway Room 1:</b> Assuring Quality in the Synthesis of Study Guides in Open and Distance Education – P Maharaj and DR Bagwandeen (Oval)

11:35-12:05	Internal Quality Assurance – Micro and Macro Challenges – Aashiq Hansra and Dikshita Padalkar (MANCOSA)
11:00-11:30	<b>Breakaway Room 2:</b> Transitivity in Learning Ownership Environments: The Functions of Activities in the Learning Materials for an Outcomes-Based System of Open Distance Learning – Matlakalana Sarah Tshesane and Maurice Taonezvi Vambe (Unisa)
11:35-12:10	No Session
12:15 – 12:30	Plenary session: Roving reporter summaries. Announcements for afternoon.
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch.
13:30 – 14:45	Parallel workshops: 1. <b>Satellite Campus Directors Forum:</b> Workshop Leader: Kallie de Beer. <i>This workshop offers an opportunity for managers of satellite centres who may or may not have attended the launching forum earlier this year to follow up on progress made. The session should be of interest to anybody who has an interest in the management of satellite campuses or who might wish to make use of such campuses for their own DEOL initiatives.</i> 2. <b>NPDE:</b> Workshop Leader: Tony Mays. <i>This workshop offers an opportunity for providers of the National Professional Diploma in Education to reflect on progress to date with particular reference to student performance, reporting to and collaborating with DoEs, assessment, RPL processes, materials and curriculum development, etc. and opportunities for collaboration in offering the NPDE programme. The workshop will probably be of interest to anybody interested in teacher education.</i>
14:45 – 15:15	Comfort break and networking.
15:15 – 16:30	Parallel workshops: 3. <b>Updating our Quality Guidelines for distance education and developing minimum standards.</b> Workshop Leader: Tessa Welch. <i>In 1997, NADEOSA members contributed extensively to developing a set of guidelines. This workshop will focus on updating these guidelines on the basis of emerging HEQC criteria for auditing and accrediting education providers and on developing minimum standards for provision.</i> 4. <b>Working together on materials development.</b> Workshop Leader: Christine Randell. <i>This workshop will reflect on the recommendations emanating from a CHE process which has explored ways of working together to harness the expertise in the country to make available the best possible learning materials.</i>
16:30 – 17:00	Plenary session: Reports from parallel workshop chairs. <b>Closure and thanks:</b> NADEOSA President.