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Unisa to launch the Multilingual Language Policy

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The University of South Africa (Unisa)'s Directorate for Language Services (DLS) will launch the institutional multilingual language policy with the theme, "***Multilingual language policy implementation: The nerve-centre of the Africanisation agenda.***" The event will take place at the Unisa Senate Hall, Muckleneuk Campus, Pretoria on Friday, 25 July 2025.

The policy is aimed at fostering inclusivity and accessibility for Unisa students, staff, and key stakeholders from various linguistic backgrounds. It also aims to promote linguistic diversity and preserve cultural heritage by creating a learning environment that enables students to engage with academic content in the languages of their choice.

The launch will highlight the advancements in the implementation of the multilingual language policy within colleges and support services departments. It will also feature student perspectives regarding their experiences with learning materials in their preferred languages, including challenges and suggestions for improvement.

Speakers at the launch will include Unisa Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Prof Puleng LenkaBula and Dr Paul Adjei who will deliver the keynote address. Prof Adjei is currently the Interim Associate Vice-President (Indigenous Research), and an Associate Professor at the School of Social Work, Memorial University of Newfoundland in Canada. He is a public speaker, a trainer, an educator, and a researcher in the areas of social justice, anti-black racism, critical race, critical whiteness studies, and anti-colonial theory.

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the launch as follows:

Date: Friday, 25 July 2025

Time: 08:00 for 08:30

Venue: Senate Hall, 2nd Floor, Winnie Madikizela-Mandela Building, Muckleneuk Campus, Pretoria.

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