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MEDIA ADVISORY

INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION IN AFRICA (IDRA) WILL HOST COMMUNITY DIALOGUE ON ELECTIONS, DEMOCRACY AND TRADITIONAL LEADERSHIP IN SOUTH AFRICA, 25 YEARS LATER ON THE 19 DECEMBER 2019, IN NORTH WEST PROVINCE, MAKAPANSTAD VILLAGE

ATTENTION: NEWS, ASSIGNMENT EDITORS, PRODUCERS, EDUCATIONAL AND LEGAL REPORTERS

In its Pan Afrikan community driven research approach and vision to strengthen the College of Law within the University of South Africa, the Insitute for dispute resolution in Africa (IDRA) informed and guided by its mandate on community-based research, teaching, learning and Pan Afrikan intellectual citizenship will host a community dialogue reflecting on the 2019 South African general elections and therefore seek community, political, election and traditional leadership perspectives and knowledge.

The two long standing community-based research projects of IDRA dealing with electoral dispute resolution and lekgotla la batho intend to integrate community knowledge and formal knowledge on areas of elections, democracy, leadership and human and people's rights.

The community dialogue will attempt to develop the community of practice approach and lessons learnt from the 2019 general elections that were held in South Africa in May this year, and (i) discuss the electoral dispute resolution mechanisms towards the 2021 local government elections and (ii) also discuss the role of lekgotla or traditional councils in a constitutional democracy and elections.

Details of the Community Dialogue on Elections, Democracy and Traditional Leadership are as follow:

Date: 19 December 2019

Time: 09:30am – 13:00pm

Venue: Bakgatla ba ga Mosetlha Tribal Office, Makapanstad Village, North West Province

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the Community

For RSVPs and interview requests, please contact: Mr Tommy Huma (Unisa Senior Media Liaison Officer) on 012 429 3981 / 072 218 6197 / humatm@unisa.ac.za

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