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ATTENTION: EDITORS, PRODUCERS, EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL REPORTERS
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"THE INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR TOLERANCE THROUGH ACADEMIC AND COMMUNITY INDABA"

16 November 2017 is the International Day of Tolerance, to commemorating day the University of South Africa (UNISA) Institute for Dispute Resolution in Africa (IDRA) in the College of Law will observe day by convening an academic and community indaba under the theme ‘Mediating Disputes the African Way – The Voices from our Communities’.

The Indaba will focus on re-educating the broader South African academia and communities about the need and importance of mediation and tolerance in an African way. This academic and community indaba has invited knowledge holders such as the traditional leaders, community researchers, and academic experts to share their knowledge on the main theme and the following sub themes:

- Experiences of mediation in an African way- the role of traditional leaders in South Africa
- The basic principles of mediation in South Africa
- The role and function of an elder as a mediator
- Consultation vs Conversation - traditional gathering as a dispute resolution mechanism
- African spirituality and religious practices as dispute resolution mechanisms
- The complementarity of traditional mediation structures and criminal justice system in South Africa and
- The community mediation as viable dispute resolution mechanism for electoral dispute resolution in South Africa.

Details of the IDRA INDABA are as follow:
Date: 16 November 2017
Time: 09:00 – 13:00
Venue: ZK Matthews Great Hall, Unisa, Muckleneuk Campus

The Indaba will be graced with traditional dancers and festival of ideas and knowledge sharing.

Members of the media are invited to attend the event.

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