# **SYMPOSIUM: 'New Imaginaries/ New Publics'**

# **FINAL PROGRAMME**

Convened by African Centre for Cities (ACC) and hosted by Goethe-Institut More information: <a href="http://africancentreforcities.net/planner/278/">http://africancentreforcities.net/planner/278/</a>
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Date: Thursday 21 February, 2013 Time: 09h00-17h00

Venue: The Auditorium, Goethe-Institut, 119 Jan Smuts Ave, Parkwood



Symposium, Alexander Theatre, 'AMAZE.Interact', New Imaginaries, August 2012

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### 08h30-09h00: REGISTRATION & COFFEE

**Screening:** 'New Imaginaries', a film by Nadine Hutton. Produced by 2point8 in partnership with Goethe-Institut

Session 1: 09h00-11h00

**Facilitator**: Professor Edgar Pieterse/ African Centre for Cities (ACC)

### **Introductions:**

Prof. Edgar Pieterse/ ACC, Director

Lien Heidenreich-Seleme/ Goethe Institut, Head of Cultural Programmes Sub-Saharan Africa

**Speaker 1**: Kim Gurney/ African Centre for Cities, Research Associate/ 'New Imaginaries' preliminary research findings: "Nomadic Notions: Footloose in a Fictive City"

**Speaker 2:** Marie-Hélène Gutberlet & Cara Snyman/ *Shoe Shop* co-curators/ 'New Imaginaries'

**Speaker 3:** Thorsten Wiedemann/ *AMAZE.Interact* director/ 'New Imaginaries' **Speaker 4:** João Orecchia, Tanja Krone, Mpumi Mcata, Hans Narva/ *Spines/United African Utopias* curators, 'New Imaginaries'

**Speaker 5:** Sello Pesa, Humphrey Maleka, Brian Mtembu/ *Spines/ In House* choreographers, 'New Imaginaries'/ in conversation with Kim Gurney **Q&A/ Floor** 

### 11h00-11h30: COFFEE BREAK

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Session 2: 11h30 - 13h30

### Topic 1: Artistic Research [11h30-12h30]

Facilitator: Professor Gordon Pirie, ACC deputy director

**Speaker 1:** Zen Marie/ University of Witwatersrand, Wits School of Arts, Lecturer

**Speaker 2**: Leora Farber/ University of Johannesburg: Research Centre, Visual Identities in Art & Design, Director

**Speaker 3**: Rike Sitas/ACC, Researcher

**Q&A/Floor** 

## **Topic 2: City//futures [12h30-13h30]**

Facilitator: Prof. Edgar Pieterse, ACC director

**Speaker 1**: Professor Philip Harrison/ University of Witwatersrand, School of Architecture and Planning/ "Representation, Prophecy and Urban Futures"

**Speaker 2**: Bojan Ivanovic/ Frog Design

**Speaker 3**: Lesley Perkes/ artatwork, CEO/ "as far as possible" (working title)

**Q&A/Floor** 

13h30-14h30: LUNCH BREAK

Session 3: 14h30-17h00

**Topic 3: City//makings [14h30-15h30]** 

Facilitator: Prof. Gordon Pirie, ACC deputy director

**Speaker 1**: Marcus Neustetter/ Trinity Session, Co-director

**Speaker 2:** Doung Anwar Jahangeer/ DALA collective, Co-founder: 'mimetic

urbanism: the pavement as a premonition of an intuitive city'

Speaker 3: Chris Palmer, independent music producer and DJ

**Q&A/Floor** 

## **Topic 4: City//publics [15h30-16h30]**

Facilitator: Lien Heidenreich-Seleme/ Goethe Institut, Head of Cultural

Programmes Sub-Saharan Africa

**Speaker 1:** Ferial Haffajee/ City Press, Editor

**Speaker 2:** Kate Tissington/ Socio-Economic Rights Institute of South Africa

(SERI), Researcher

**Speaker 3**: Sandile Radebe/graffiti artist and muralist/ "Breaking walls: the

viewer as participant in public art"

**Q&A/Floor** 

### Topic 5: Concluding remarks [16h30-17h00]

Facilitator: Prof. Edgar Pieterse

**Speaker 1:** Professor Achille Mbembe, Wits Institute for Social and Economic

Research

**Speaker 2**: Professor Raimi Gbadamosi, Wits School of Arts

#### SYMPOSIUM ENDS @ 17h00

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