

REPORT FOR MARCH 2017

Additional Items for February 2017 Report



Key note speaker in a Panel discussion pertaining to the LLM/MPhil in Environmental Law Programme. Title of Presentation: 'Fracking in the Karoo: Valuable lessons from the Witwatersrand Goldfields experience.'

The Department of Public Law at the University of Pretoria hosted a launch of its LLM and MPhil programmes in Environmental Law, coordinated by Ms Melanie Murcott, Senior Lecturer, Environmental and Administrative Law, in February 2017.

The event, which was hosted at the offices of Hogan Lovells South Africa, Sandton

A highlight of the event was a book launch and multidisciplinary panel discussion on the new book, Hydraulic Fracturing in the Karoo, Critical Legal and Environmental Perspectives, chaired by co-editor Prof Jan Glazewski.




Tour with Dr Justine Wintjies and Wits University



Tour with Dr Christiaan Curtis and Wits University

<p>March 1</p>	<p>Tour of the West Rand gold fields : Prof Jurgen Runge and students Geography Department, Goethe University, Germany</p>
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March 2	Mooi River Forum – Written submissions
March 3	<p>Research Assistance:</p> <p>Mark Olalde (Oxpeckers): Closure and Rehabilitation Funds</p> <p>Danette Breitenbach (MSc) – UNISA</p>
March 7	<p>Merafong Regional Court: Court Case in the matter between the State and the directors of the Blyvooruitzicht Mine</p> <p>The FSE was the complainant</p>
March 8	<p>Meeting: The Chief Director of the Legal Resource Centre (Janet Love) and the Chairperson of the Board (Theresa Clarke) – Matters pertaining to Pilanesberg Platinum Mine, Mintails and AMD</p>
March 9	<p>Presentation at Conference on Mine Closure (contact: Mohsina Khan)</p> <p>Research assistance: Melisizwe Tyiso – trade unions</p>
March 13	<p>Research Assistance: Moeng, Kholofelo – UNISA Lecturer (Development Studies): AMD</p> <p>Meeting with Heathen and Prof Elize van Eeden pertaining to co-operation between the North West University and Sibanye Gold and Gold Fields</p>

March 14	Submission: Responsible Mining Index SANC UNESCO IHP Symposium
15 March	Tour of the West Rand gold fields with Ms Nicci Glanville and Oprah Winfrey School science students
16 March	Meeting – oral and written submissions – with Department of Environmental Affairs and the Centre of Environmental Rights pertaining to the DEA 2015 Regulations for Financial Provision
17 March	In loco inspection with Department of Mineral Resources (Rudzani Mabogo) and the Riverlea Community of Central Rand Gold’s open pit operations
18 March	Key note address at the Vroue Labou Unie’s Jaarvergadering
23 March	South Deep Mine and FSE: Feedback Meeting with the Kalbasfontein and Jachtfontein Farmers
24 March	Research Assistance – Penny Jane Cooke (Greenpeace Uranium Mining) Research Assistance: Mzimela Xabiso (Bsc Hon Student – Wits University)
27 March	Interview: AFP news agency: Philippe Altroy – Blyvoor Mine
28 and 29 March	Key note panellist: Water Show Africa - Sandton Convention Centre Research Assistance: Prof Mary Galvin (University of Johannesburg)