

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH FOCUS AREA

World Environment Day Symposium

Date: Tuesday 5 June, 2018

Theme: Beat Plastic Pollution

Venue: Room 3.80, Science Building, District 6 Campus

TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018	
9:30 - 10:00	Arrival and tea
10:00 – 10:05	Introductions (<i>Prof Beatrice Opeolu</i>)
10:05- 10:10	Welcome (<i>Prof Olalekan Fatoki</i>)
10:10-11:40	Plastics everywhere: the good, the bad and the ugly (<i>Prof Jonathan Okonkwo</i>)
11:40-12:10	A source to sea approach in dealing with marine litter in South Africa (<i>Ms. Nitasha Baijnath-Pillay</i>)
12:10-12:40	Beach Clean-ups and Beyond (<i>Ms. Aaniyah Omardien</i>)
12:40- 13:00	Light Lunch
13:00-13:30	Occurrence and Endocrine-Disruptive Effects of Plastic-Derived Contaminants: The Phthalate Esters (PEs) Case Study (<i>Prof Augustine Arukwe</i>)
13:30-14:00	Plastics are everywhere: From our drinking water to our dream holiday destinations (<i>Ms. Karin Minnaar</i>)
14:00-14:30	Plastic pollution and marine animal entanglements and mortalities (<i>Prof Kenneth Findlay</i>)
14:30- 14:35	Vote of thanks (<i>Prof Joseph Kioko</i>)
14:35	Closing

Master of Ceremony: Dr Linda Sibali

Wednesday 6 June, 2018

Plastic Clean-up Activity- District 6 Area

Meeting Point: Science Building Car Park, District 6 Campus

Time: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Thursday 7 June, 2018

Visitors' interaction with staff and students

Time: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Friday 8 June, 2018

Convener: Prof Rene Pellissier

University Public Lecture/ Panel Discussion

Time: 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm

Guest Lecturer- Prof Augustine Arukwe

Panel Members: Prof Augustine Arukwe (NTNU Trondheim, NORWAY), Ms. Nitasha Baijnath-Pillay (Department of Environmental Affairs), Prof Jonathan Okonkwo (TUT, Pretoria), Ms. Karin Minnaar (NWU, Potchefstroom) and Prof Kenneth Findlay (CPUT)