

# W(H)ITHER SOUTH AFRICA'S MORAL COMPASS?

A multi-disciplinary conversation about  
South Africa's value systems – past, present and future

HOSTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL'S  
SCHOOL OF LAW

Panelists include but are not limited to:  
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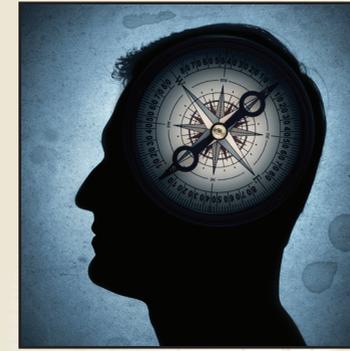
## Venue

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The University of KwaZulu-Natal's School of Law will be hosting academics and members of the University Community in a conversation about where we have come from, where we are at present and where we want to go in future. The idea is for the initial group of invitees to develop a discussion document on South Africa's past, present and future moral compass which would be shared with the broader UKZN Community for their comments and suggestions before it is circulated to the country as a whole.

In the prescient words of President Nelson Mandela in 1997:

Our hopes and dreams, at times, seem to be overcome by cynicism, self-centredness and fear. This spiritual malaise sows itself as a lack of good spirit, as pessimism, or lack of hope and faith. And from it emerge the problems of greed and cruelty, of laziness and egotism, of personal and family failure. It both helps fuel the problems of crime and corruption and hinders our efforts to deal with them.

Against this background, UKZN's School of Law invites you to participate in this multi-disciplinary dialogue about South Africa's value systems.

The two-day workshop, focusing on the question "Whither South Africa's moral compass?" aims to achieve the following:

1. Make the UKZN Community aware of the value systems we have inherited and aspire to;
2. Stimulate debate on the state of the nation regarding our value systems; and
3. Develop creative methods of overcoming the challenges of our present value systems in order to meet our aspirational value systems.

Together with other issues of relevance, the main themes for discussion at the workshop will include:

1. Profligacy and corruption in the State;
2. Crime and violence;
3. Social cohesion;
4. Poverty and inequality; and
5. The culture of entitlement.

Please note this list is not exhaustive.