



I N V I T A T I O N

The University of Johannesburg's SARChI Chair in Social Change and the Centre for Social Development in Africa (CSDA) invite you to a two-day colloquium –

Breaking the Chains of Corruption: Whistleblowing as a Catalyst for Social Development in South Africa.

South Africa has high poverty, inequality, and unemployment rates. This is further compounded by the country facing an unequal distribution of resources. Underprivileged communities are thus particularly affected, with power outages and deteriorating water services presenting severe obstacles to everyday life. South Africa is also struggling with corruption. The recent 2023 Corruption Perceptions Index by Transparency International shows that South Africa continues to be negatively perceived as corrupt, falling into the category of “flawed democracies”.

When corruption flourishes, limited resources are diverted, deepening existing social inequalities and hindering social progress, with indigent communities worst affected. It is not only public corruption that contributes to the exacerbation of social problems, but also malfeasance arising from private capital and interests. Whistleblowing emerges as a powerful tool for addressing and combatting such wrongdoing. However, despite being an effective weapon, whistleblowing often comes at a massive cost in myriad forms of retaliation: social, work-related, lawfare and even physical, which has often resulted in injury and death. This two-day colloquium brings together civil society, whistleblowers, academia, public servants, and private enterprise to facilitate dialogue around protecting and supporting whistleblowers.

EVENT DATE ▪ **18 & 19 July 2024**

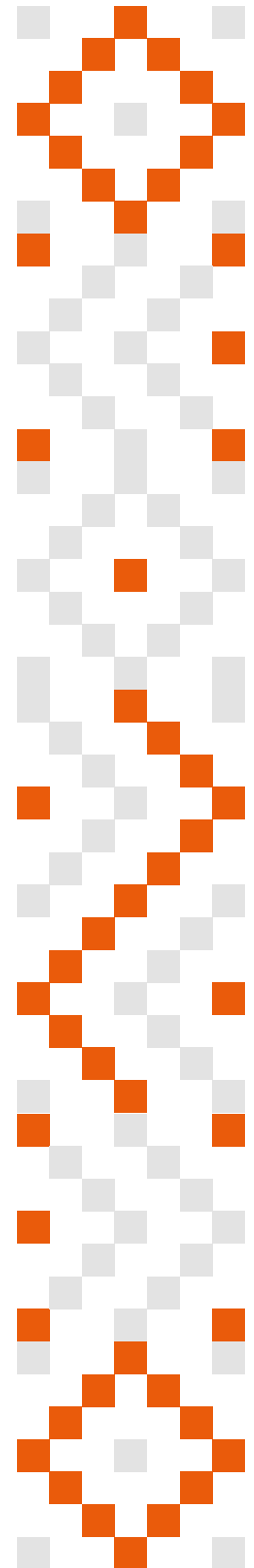
EVENT TIME ▪ **08:00-17:00**

EVENT VENUE ▪ **The Kerzner Building**, School of Tourism and Hospitality (STH), Auckland Park Bunting Road Campus, University of Johannesburg
(NB: Limited seats available)

ZOOM ▪ https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Nx-1tDXTFy-1hDq1oGcxw

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1. Abstracts should be emailed to uradulovic@uj.ac.za.
2. Abstracts should be written in English and must not exceed 200 words.
3. Include a clear title for the abstract.
4. Provide a brief biography of the author(s), including affiliation and contact information.

Important Dates:

1. Abstract Submission Deadline: 3 June 2024
2. Notification of Acceptance: 17 June 2024
3. Colloquium Dates: 18 & 19 July 2024
4. Due date for full papers: 18 October 2024

Publication Opportunities:

Selected full papers presented at the conference will have the opportunity to be published in a co-edited volume.

Contact Information:

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