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AGENDA

Meeting:	Community of Practice for African Languages (CoPAL)
Date:	20 March 2025
Time:	10:00 – 13:00
Online:	Join the meeting now
Chairperson:	Prof Nobuhle Hlongwa, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Deputy Chairperson:	Prof Lolie Makhubu-Badenhorst, University of Cape Town

No	Time	Item	Presenter
1.	10:00 - 10:10	Opening and Welcome	Chairperson
		Governance issues	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies & Personalia 	Ms Tentswalo Ngobeni
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of the agenda 	Chairperson
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of the previous meeting for approval 	Chairperson
2.	10:10 – 10:30	Matters Arising	
		Research and Innovation (R & I) Colloquium	Ms Tentswalo Ngobeni
		Update on the TLSG Study	Prof Nkomo
		Update on Funding Task Teams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NRF • International Funding • NIHSS 	Prof Makhubu-Badenhorst
3.	10:30 – 12:30	Presentations	
3.1	10:30 - 10:45	Terms of Reference for CoPAL and priorities for 2025	Prof Nobuhle Hlongwa
3.2	10:45 – 11:25	Information sharing - Language Associations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Keaobaka Seshoka, Batho Abantu African Languages Association (BAALA) • Dr Mantoa Molete, African Language Association of Southern Africa (ALASA) • Prof Langa Khumalo, African Association for Lexicography (AFRILEX)

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Madira Thetso, Southern African Folklore Society (SAFOS)
	11:25 - 11:35	Comfort Break	
3.3	11:00 - 12:30	Reports by universities – Language Activities	University Representatives
3.4	12:30 – 12:40	EDF: Centres of African Language Teaching	Prof Hilda Israel
3.5	12:40 – 12:50	Lotsha Publications	Prof Hlongwa
4.	12:50 – 13:00	Other Competent Business	
6	13:00	Closure	Chairperson

Supporting documents:

1. Minutes of the previous meeting
2. ToR for CoPAL
3. Template for CoPAL Reporting