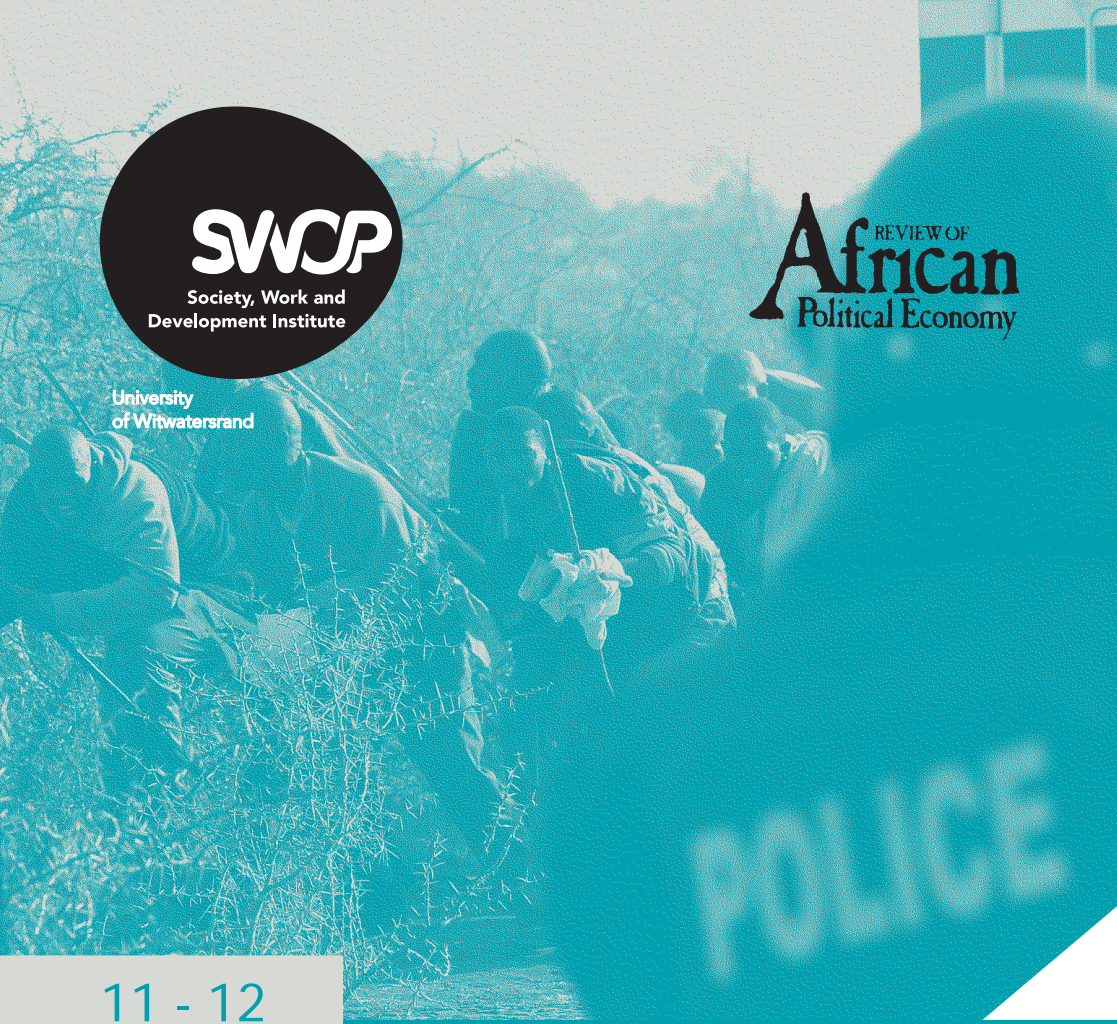




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# Meanings of Marikana Colloquium:

The Rise of the South African Platinum Mining Industry and the Nature of the Post-Apartheid Order



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Marikana has focused global attention on the immense social turbulence that has accompanied the rise of the platinum industry in the 'new' South Africa.

But what is the story behind its remarkable expansion? What changes has this set in motion? Why have these been so contested? And what are their broader implications?

These questions will be discussed by leading researchers in a two day international colloquium organised by the Society, Work and Development Institute (SWOP) in conjunction with the *Review of African Political Economy*.

# PROGRAMME

11|09

WEDNESDAY

## DAY 1: Platinum's Ascent

09h00 - 09h15

WELCOME

Ruksana Osman, Dean of Humanities

09h15 - 09h45

OPENING REMARKS

Ray Bush (RoAPE) and  
Dunbar Moodie (SWOP)

09h45 - 11h30

THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF PLATINUM

Samantha Ashman, Universities of Johannesburg  
and the Witswatersrand

*The MEC, the Political Economy of Platinum, and  
Post Apartheid Economic Development*

Gavin Capps, SWOP

*Accumulation and Mineral Property in the Post-  
Apartheid Platinum Story*

Dick Forslund, Alternative Information  
Development Centre (Cape Town)

*Coping with Unsustainability: Lonmin 2003-2012*

11h30 - 11h45

TEA BREAK

11h45 - 13h30

PLATINUM & THE ANC'S NEW RESOURCE  
NATIONALISM

Paul Jourdan, independent mineral policy analyst  
*PGM Value-Chain Strategies for South Africa:  
Increasing the Growth and Development Impact*

Ben Fine, School of Oriental and African Studies  
(London)

*The Enigmas of Beneficiation as Industrial Policy*

Saliem Fakir, World Wildlife Fund South Africa  
*Resource Nationalism and the Challenge of  
Environmental Externalities*

13h30 - 14h30

LUNCH

14h30 - 16h15

INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS: SOUTHERN  
AFRICA & LATIN AMERICA

Miles Larmer, University of Sheffield  
*Resource Nationalism in Zambia's Copper Mining  
Industry*

Richard Saunders, York University (Toronto)  
*Policy, Practice and Realities of Indigenisation in  
Zimbabwe's Minerals Sector*

César Rodríguez Garavito, University of the Andes  
(Colombia)

*The Commodities Super-Cycle and its Impact on  
States and Societies: A Comparative View from  
Latin America*

16h15 - 16h30

TEA BREAK

16h30 - 18h15

NEW RURAL TRANSFORMATIONS ON THE  
PLATINUM BELT

Gavin Capps, SWOP

*Contrasting Configurations of Platinum Capital  
and Tribal Authority: Bafokeng, Bengwenyama  
and Langa Mapela*

Sonwabile Mnwana, SWOP

*A United Struggle with Divided Interests? The  
Battle over Mineral Revenues in the Bakgatla-ba-  
Kgafela Tribal Authority Area, North West Province*

Tracy-Lynn Humby, University of the Witwatersrand  
*Platinum City Deferred: The Bengwenyama Tribal  
Council's Experience of Mining and Transformative  
Constitutionalism*

18h30

EVENING: 'THE MAKING OF MARIKANA'

Showing of the new Uhuru documentary 'Miners  
Shot Down', followed by panel discussion with  
Rehad Desai (producer), Jim Nichol (Lawyer at  
Marikana Commission of Inquiry) and featured  
mineworker.

Includes finger buffet.

12|09  
THURSDAY

## DAY 2: Questions of Labour

09h00 - 11h00

### CHANGE AND CONTINUITY IN THE PLATINUM MINE-LABOUR REGIME

Kally Forrest, SWOP/Ruth First Fellow

*Migrant Labour: Disrupted but not Discarded - A  
Rustenburg Recruitment Case*

Micah Reddy, freelance writer and researcher

*The Rural Dynamics of Contemporary Labour  
Migrancy*

Asanda Benya, SWOP

*Women Underground: Evidence from Rustenburg*

Paul Stewart and Gavin Hartford, University of the  
Witswatersrand and ESOP

*The Structural Causes of Marikana: Inflexible  
Economics, the Changing Socio-Economic  
Conditions of Labour Migrancy and the Special  
Roles of the Rock Drill Operators and the Trade  
Unions*

11h00 - 11h15

TEA BREAK

11h15 - 13h00

REGULATING REPRODUCTION: THE STATE,  
INFORMAL SETTLEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY

Andries Bezuidenhout and Sakhela Buhlungu,  
University of Pretoria

*Evaluating Marikana in the Context of the Broader  
Mining Landscape*

Joseph Mujere, SWOP/University of Zimbabwe

*From Matebeleng to Ikemeleng: Informal  
Settlements, Community Protests, and Insurgent  
Citizenship in Rustenburg*

Andrea Shaw, Shaw Idea Pty Ltd (Australia)

*Same Rules - Different Games: Occupational Health  
and Safety Regulation in the South African and  
New South Wales Mining Industries*

13h00 - 13h45

LUNCH



13h45 - 15h30

**THE GREAT STRIKE WAVE: NUM'S CRISIS AND NEW FORMS OF WORKER ORGANISATION**

Dunbar Moodie, SWOP/Hobart and William Colleges

*'Igneous' Means Fire from Below: The Tumultuous History of the National Union of Mineworkers on the SA Platinum Metal Mines*

Crispen Chinguno, SWOP

*Fragmentation and Solidarity in the 2012 Platinum-Belt Strike Wave*

Luke Sinwell, University of Johannesburg

*The Development of Working Class Unity: A Case Study of Independent Strike Committees and the 2012 Anglo Platinum Strike in Rustenburg*

15h30 - 15h45

**TEA BREAK**

15h45 - 17h15

**CLOSING PANEL - MEANINGS OF MARIKANA: IMPLICATIONS FOR THE POST-APARTHEID ORDER**

Peter Alexander, University of Johannesburg

Karl von Holdt, SWOP

May Hermanus, The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research

17h15

**CLOSING THANKS**

Gavin Capps

# NOTES





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