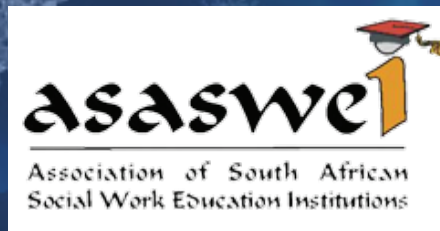


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*Pandemics, poverty and inequality:
Social work in the 21st century*

Programme



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Welcome from the Conference Chairperson

The Executive of the Association of South African Social Work Education Institutions (ASASWEI) invites you to participate in the 2021 biennial Social Work Conference to be held online from the 1st to 3rd September 2021.

We are delighted to collaborate this year with key role-players and stakeholders in academia, locally, regionally and internationally, to bring to you this online conference. On the local level, ASASWEI is proud to team up with the **Department of Social Work at the University of Zululand**, based in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa (www.unizulu.ac.za). We hope to use this opportunity to showcase the beauty of the Kingdom of the Zulus in all its glory.

We are also privileged to present Conference 2021 in association with the **South African Council for Social Service Professions (SACSSP)** who has a pivotal role in the development of social service professions, and the **National Department of Social Development** responsible for social welfare services in South Africa.

Allow me also to introduce to you the newly formed **South African Student Social Workers Association (SASSWA)**. This is the first-ever formation of a national association for social work students in South Africa and we are proud to have our students as part of a national initiative at Conference 21.

On the regional and international levels, ASASWEI is also honoured to collaborate with the **Association of the Schools of Social Work in Africa (ASSWA)** as well as the **International Association of the Schools of Social Work (IASSW)**. ASASWEI, ASSWA and the IASSW have a long-standing relationship of working together on previous conferences, webinars and workshops. Furthermore, ASASWEI has a representative who serves on the IASSW. This collaboration of academic partners with a vested interest in social work education embraces the advancement of social work interventions into the 21st century.

We are indebted to our key-note speakers, namely the **Honourable Minister of Social Development Ms Lindiwe Zulu**, acclaimed South African born activist **Mr Kumi Naidoo**, and the **Vice-Chancellor** and the **Dean of Arts** at the University of Zululand.

The pandemic.

The years 2020 and 2021 will be remembered for the most lethal pandemic since the 1918-1919 Spanish Flu. Since COVID-19 was first discovered in late 2019, over 156 million cases have been reported, and nearly 3.26 million deaths and 92.4 million recoveries have been recorded.

Hundreds of countries implemented unprecedented 'lockdown' restrictions to control the spread of the virus, resulting in the closure of many businesses, travel bans, a rapid increase in unemployment rates, and widespread disruptions to health and social services. Vaccination programmes are slowly implemented, with many countries battling to reach the masses to implement pharmaceutical interventions.

There are varying narratives on the disease, with numerous criticisms of the way countries, and indeed the world, has responded to the pandemic. Arguments were raised that the responses were disproportionate, have unfairly shifted the burden of disease or indirect

health effects from wealthier to poorer people and regions, have not been sensible, or have been driven by fear rather than data. The discovery of new variants of the virus suggests that it might prove an elusive target.

Conference 2021

To prevent the further spread of the COVID-19 virus, and in compliance with restrictions on movement and government interventions, the Executive of ASASWEI has decided to hold the entire Conference 2021 on an online platform. We are indeed indebted to the University of Zululand for volunteering its advanced technology to support Conference 2021.

Conference 2021 will be held online from the 1st to 3rd September 2021.

The profession of social work is known for advocating human rights, social justice and equality. Our work has continued to emphasise building human relationships and fostering *ubuntu*, whilst empowering the vulnerable, during this *new normal*. Thus, the key theme of Conference 2021 is ***Pandemics, poverty and inequality: Social work in the 21st century.*** This theme is also built on the successful ASASWEI Colloquium of 2020 which brought together local social work academics to grapple with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on social work education and practice and our work in vulnerable communities during the lockdown.

The main Conference 2021 theme and the sub-themes are designed to provide delegates with opportunities to network and deliberate around issues pertinent to social work education that promotes knowledge and skills on the theme ***Pandemics, poverty and inequality: Social work in the 21st century.***

Conference 2021 draws together South African, African and International social work scholars, educators, researchers, students, policy-makers, managers and practitioners. Delegates and presentations from related disciplines are also invited. We have received over 200 abstracts, a mammoth task for the scientific committee. We have provided almost all those who submitted with opportunities to present within allocated sessions.

Be sure to join in the four workshops and 35 sessions that we have set out across all three days. Participate in what is sure to be vibrant and challenging conversations.

Conference 2021 theme:

Pandemics, poverty and inequality: Social work in the 21st century

Conference sub-themes and workshops:

There are 12 sub-themes for scientific presentations of 10 minutes and 4 workshops as indicated below:

1. Building social work partnerships and interdisciplinary collaborations
2. Climate change as a threat to human health: the role of social work
3. Decolonisation of social work education
4. Ethics and values in Social Work
5. Intimate relationships, marriage, families & transitions
6. Promoting mental health, well-being and sustainable communities
7. Promoting Ubuntu: Cultural, economic, gender and racial inequalities
8. Social development and policy in responding to pandemics, poverty and inequality
9. Social work and health issues: Substance abuse, HIV & AIDS and COVID-19
10. Social work practice during pandemics: Working with children, youth, persons with disabilities, the homeless and the elderly
11. Social work supervision and field instruction during the lockdown
12. Teaching under emergency remote learning in the fourth industrial revolution

Conference workshops:

1. Workshop 1: South African Students Social Workers Association
(For students)
2. Workshop 2: Global standards for social work education and practice:
A shared vision
(Open to educators and practitioners)
3. Workshop 3: Concerns on social work graduate unemployment
(Open to all)
4. Workshop 4: Ecometric showcase: Solidifying evidence-base practice
(Open to all)

Conference Chair and Co-Chair



Chair: Conference 2021
Dr Varoshini Nadesan

President: ASASWEI
University of Johannesburg

Varoshini served on the previous Executive of ASASWEI as treasurer (2015-2019), and the local organising committee of the international ASASWEI Conference 2019. She is a senior lecturer at the University of Johannesburg where she lectures and supervises students at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. She holds a BA in Social Work, a Masters degree in child and youth care, and a PhD in social work. Her practice experience includes 20 years as chief social worker and 6 years at the SACSSP as National Manager: Professional Conduct. She serves on various Boards and task teams, locally and internationally, including on the editorial boards of recent international publications. Her research interests include field instruction and social work education.



Co-Chair:
Conference 2021
Prof Allucia Lulu Shokane

Vice-President: ASASWEI
University of Zululand

Lulu is a Professor in Social Work and Deputy Dean of Research and Internationalisation in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Zululand. She was previously the Head of Department of Social Work at the same university. She holds a masters degree and a doctorate in Social Work. Lulu is well published in peer reviewed journals.

Her research interests include social work and community development, critical and radical social work, decolonised methodologies, indigenous knowledge and practices within context of community development, and asset-oriented community-led development (ABCD) specific to social work education. She is the Vice-President of ASASWEI.

Address by the Hon Minister of Social Development



**The Hon Minister
Ms Lindiwe Daphney Zulu**

Minister of Social Development
Republic of South Africa

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Keynote speaker



Dr Kumi Naidoo

Professor of Practice:
Thunderbird School of Global
Management at Arizona State
University

Global ambassador,
Africans Rising for Justice, Peace
and Dignity

Visiting Fellow, Oxford University
and Honorary Fellow,
Magdalen College.

Dr Kumi Naidoo is the Global Ambassador for Africans Rising for Justice, Peace & Dignity. He was International Executive Director of Greenpeace International from 2009-2015, and Secretary General of Amnesty International from 2018-2020. He has served as the Secretary-General of Civicus, an international alliance for citizen participation, from 1998 to 2008.

Kumi has also served the Global Call to Action Against Poverty and the Global Call for Climate Action, which brings together environmental aid, religious and human rights groups, labour unions, scientists and others and has organised mass demonstrations around climate negotiations. Kumi has been awarded honorary doctorates for his social justice activism, by the University of Johannesburg in 2019, the Durban University of Technology in 2017, and the Nelson Mandela University in 2012. He also received the James Lawson Award for peaceful activism in (2014). In 2013, Kumi was selected as one of the 21 ICONS South Africa: Honouring the legacy of Nelson Mandela.

Conference Associates



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Vice Chancellor:
University of Zululand

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Prof Mogomme Alpheus Masoga

Dean of Arts: University of Zululand

Prof Mogomme Alpheus Masoga is an alumnus of the University of the Free State. His doctoral research was entitled: Dimensions of Oracle-Speech in the Near Eastern, Mediterranean and African Contexts: A Contribution towards African Orality. He has served at senior management level, particularly holding South Africa's National Research Foundation's Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Education Research Manager Portfolio. He has also headed the Historical Sciences School at the University of the North, founded the African Renaissance Centre at the University of the North, directed the Research Department of the Commission for the Promotion and Protection of Religious, Linguistic, Cultural Rights of Communities (CRL Rights Commission), and was the Academic Journal Editor at the Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA). He has been the Research Professor in the School of Human and Social Sciences at both the Universities of Venda and Limpopo and now appointed the Dean of Arts Faculty at the University of Zululand.



Prof Annamaria Campanini

International Association of
Schools of Social Work (IASSW)

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Conference Committees

a) Local Organising Committee (LOC)*

1	Dr Varoshini Nadesan	Conference Chair
2	Prof Lulu Shokane	Conference Co-Chair
3	Prof Anneline Keet	ASASWEI International Rep / Mandela University
4	Dr Tlale Nathane	ASASWEI Secretary / University of Witwatersrand
5	Dr Mbazima Mathebane	ASASWEI Treasurer / University of South Africa
6	Prof John Rautenbach	Head of Department: University of Zululand
7	Ms Thobeka Ntini	University of Zululand
8	Ms Sithuthukile Myeni	University of Zululand
9	Dr Peter Dimo	University of Zululand
10	Dr Corlie Giliomee	ASSWA Treasurer / University of Pretoria
11	Dr Rika Swanzen	SACSSP representative / Independent Institute of Education
12	Ms Rene Morcom	SASSWA representative
13	Dr Darla Coffey	IASSW Education Sub-Committee Chair
14	Mrs Civil Legodu	Chief Director: Professional Support and Older Persons, National Department of Social Development

*LOC bios on page 25 of conference brochure

b) Scientific Committee

Co - Chairs: Prof Anneline Keet and Prof Lulu Shokane

a)	Dr Corlie Giliomee	University of Pretoria
b)	Dr Peter Dimo	University of Zululand
c)	Prof Stephan Geyer	University of Pretoria
d)	Dr Rika Swanzen	SACSSP
e)	Prof John Rautenbach	University of Zululand
f)	Prof Gidraph Wairire	University of Nairobi, Kenya
g)	Dr Darla Coffey	IASSW
h)	Dr Laetitia Petersen	University of Witwatersrand
i)	Dr Fred Moonga	University of Eswatini

c) Programme Committee (4)

Chair: Dr Varoshini Nadesan (ASASWEI)

a)	Prof Lulu Shokane	ASASWEI
b)	Dr Anneline Keet	ASASWEI
c)	Mrs Civil Legodu	National DSD

d) Academic Awards Committee (4)

Chair: Dr Mbazima Mathebane (ASASWEI)

a)	Dr Laetitia Petersen	University of Witwatersrand
b)	Dr Corlie Giliomee	ASSWA / University of Pretoria
c)	Ms Thobeka Ntini	University of Zululand

e) Conference secretariat

Conference Secretary: Ms Eva Warzecha (Ahead & Beyond (Pty) Ltd)

Email: secretary@asasweiconference.org.za

Website: <https://asasweiconference.org.za>

General information

Conference registration

Please visit the conference website for information on registration and all related general information: <https://asasweiconference.org.za>.

Pre-registration by all participants and delegates is compulsory.

Please pre-register by **29 August 2021** on <https://asasweiconference.org.za> in order to receive the conference link.

Only pre-registered persons will receive the link to the conference. This link may not be shared with others as we wish to keep records of conference attendance and for security reasons. Persons who are not on the pre-registration register will not be permitted to join the conference.

Conference cost

Conference 2021 is offered free of charge. However there is an administrative fee for the CPD certificate. Please see the link under CPD on website.

Communication

All communication is via the Conference Secretary on secretary@asasweiconference.org.za.

Official language of the Conference

The official language of the Conference is English.
We will provide sign language interpreters where possible.

Online platform

To abide by social distancing and other pandemic protection measures during a very volatile time in our history, this conference will be fully online, hence our collaboration with the University of Zululand and our conference secretary for technical support.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) accreditation

An application for CPD accreditation for this conference has been duly submitted to the South African Council for Social Service Professions (SACSSP). Certificates of Participation will be supplied to delegates who attend and present at the conference. CPD certificates will be provided to delegates who attend and participate in the full conference *and* upon payment of the required fee of R 250.00 (<https://asasweiconference.org.za/cpdregistration/>) and fill out

the request and process payment. Payment options on the website through PayFast are Credit Card, Instant EFT, SnapScan and Masterpass. For queries, please email to secretary@asasweiconference.org.za.

Daily log-in

Delegates, presenters and attendees are required to log in on a daily basis to the conference to certify their attendance. Spot checks will be done to check whether the delegates are not only online but also present in front of their screens. Full attendance for all three days is a pre-requisite for the CPD certificate and Certificate of Participation.

Audio-visual equipment

To ensure the best experience of the conference, please have the ZOOM® application installed on the device that you are attending with. Please use headphones to minimize background noise while you are speaking at the conference. If you are presenting, please make sure that you have a spare set of headphones with a build-in microphone at hand, in case your device speakers or internal microphone does not work.

Recording

The entire conference will be recorded, and the plenaries will be live-streamed onto the ASASWEI Facebook page and possibly shared. By attending the conference, you are consenting to be recorded and for the live-streaming. You may elect to have your videos off.

Guidelines for Session Chairs

Thank you for volunteering to be a session chair!

All session chairs and moderators must log in to the training session on Tuesday 31 August 2021 from 14:00-15:00.

For the session that you are chairing or moderating, please log in 10-15 minutes before the start of the session. Please mark your screen name in front with an asterix (*) at ALL times so that we can easily find you and know you are present. The technical team will identify the speakers for you and move them into the respective breakout room 10 minutes before the start of session.

At the beginning of the session please introduce the speakers (names and topic). Their bio does not need to be read out. Please keep an eye on the time. Presenters will be muted if they exceed their allocated 10 minutes. Presenters must remain for the entire session as the Q&A session will be held for all presenters at the end of the session.

Sessions are either 60 minutes or 120 minutes in duration, thus allowing for 4 or 7 presentations respectively. It is important to ensure that all presenters are given equal opportunity to present their work. Therefore, please keep strictly to time and make sure that the sessions do not run longer than provided for. Please thank all the presenters and message the tech team when your session has ended to close the breakout room.

Guidelines for Presenters

1. All presenters must attend the **Presenters Session on Tuesday 31 August 2021 at 15:00** with the same device that they will use for their presentation.
2. Please check the programme for your presentation slot. If you are not available or unable to present, please email the secretary before your session. Due to the vast number of presenters and abstract, we will be unable to swap you to another session nor to extend the session time for you.
3. Please enter the breakout room for your session at least **10 minutes prior** to your session starting. This is to alert the session-chair to your presence. If you are late you will be moved to the end of the session, time permitting.
4. You may present using a powerpoint, video or oral presentation. Due to time constraints please adhere to the guidelines provided, ie if you go over **ten minutes**, you will be automatically muted. Thus prepare your papers and arguments in your presentations in a structured and clear manner.
5. You will be send a link to upload your presentations to dropbox by 30 August 2021 as back-up, should you experience technical problems. Please save your presentations using the following label for ease of tracking.

Session#_Name of Presenter_Title of Presentation

Eg: Session 1a_Warzecha_How to present webinars.

Publication of Conference proceedings

The Conference Committee intends publishing Conference Proceedings of papers presented.

Please submit a copy of either your presentation or full paper by **15th September 2021**. Details will be provided on the website.

Conference programme outline

This is a provisional conference programme. Details of daily start and end times may change as the planning proceeds. Any changes will be updated and published on our website <https://asasweiconference.org.za>.

Short form of the Programme:

Conference Day 1: Wednesday 1st September 2021	
08:00 –09:30	Registration Day 1
10:00 –11:45	Plenary 1: Opening of Conference and Welcome Address by Vice-Chancellor: University of Zululand: Prof Xoliswa Mtose Message from the Honourable Minister of Social Development The Hon Lindiwe Zulu Keynote address: Dr Kumi Naidoo
11:45-12:05	Remembrance of colleagues who have passed on in 2021 (20 mins)
12:15- 12:45	Break (30 minutes)
13:00- 15:00	Session 1 (2-hour parallel sessions) 5a, 5b, 5c, 6a, 6b, 6c, 9a
15:00-15:15	Break (15 minutes)
15:15-17:15	Session 2 (2-hour parallel sessions) 9b, 10a, 10b & Workshop 1 & Workshop 2
Conference Day 2: Thursday 2nd September 2021	
08:30–09:30	Registration Day 2
10:00 –11:10	Plenary 2 Address by Dean: Faculty of Arts – University of Zululand Address by Registrar: SACSSP Address by Acting Deputy Director-General: National Department of Social Development Address by South African Student Social Workers Association
11:15-12:15	Session 3 (1-hour parallel sessions) 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b, 2c
12:15- 12:45	Break (30 minutes)
12:45-14:45	Session 4 (2-hour parallel sessions) 10c, 10d, 10e, 11a, 11b, 12a, 13a
14:45-15:00	Break (15 minutes)
15:00-16:00	Session 5 (1-hour parallel sessions) 3a, 3b, 7a, 7b, 8a
16:00–17:30	Session 6 (1,5-hour parallel sessions) 4a, 8b, 8c, Workshop 3 & Workshop 4
Conference Day 3: Friday 3rd September 2021	
08:30 – 09:30	Registration Day 3
10:00 -11:10	Plenary 3 Address by IASSW President Address by ASSWA President Marketing: Forthcoming & new publications
11:15-12:15	Session 7 (1-hour parallel sessions) 5d, 6d, 8d, 9c, 9d, 13b
12:15 –12:45	Break (30 minutes)
13:45-15:00	Plenary 4 ASASWEI Awards Ceremony: Vote of thanks Introduction of new ASASWEI Executive: 2021 Address by Incoming ASASWEI President:2021-2023 Conference closing address

Pre-conference check-in: Tuesday 31st August 2021

14:00-15:00	Testing of Zoom controls for all moderators, session chairs and tech support (Facilitators: Eva Warzecha and John Rautenbach)
15:00-16:00	All delegates/presenters to test presentations using same smart device that will be used in conference. (Facilitator: Eva Warzecha)

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08:00 –09:30	<p>Registration Day 1</p> <p>All attendees and delegates to log onto conference link by 09:30 Day 1 Presenters to log in for testing of controls by 09:30</p>
10:00 –11:45	<p>Conference opens</p> <p>Chairperson Day 1: Dr Varoshini Nadesan President: ASASWEI</p> <p>Plenary 1</p> <p>Opening of Conference and Welcome</p> <p>President: ASASWEI – Dr Varoshini Nadesan (15 mins) Varoshini served on the previous Executive of ASASWEI as treasurer (2015-2019), and the local organising committee of the international ASASWEI Conference 2019. She is a senior lecturer at the University of Johannesburg where she lectures and supervises students at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. She holds a BA in Social Work, a Masters degree in child and youth care, and a PhD in social work. Her practice experience includes 20 years as chief social worker and 6 years at the SACSSP as National Manager: Professional Conduct. She serves on various Boards and task teams, locally and internationally, including on the editorial boards of recent international publications. Her research interests include field instruction and social work education.</p> <p>Address by Vice-Chancellor: University of Zululand: Prof Xoliswa Mtose (15 mins) <i>Introduced by Prof Lulu Shokane</i> Professor Xoliswa Mtose is the Vice Chancellor, University of Zululand. She holds a PhD in Educational Psychology, a MPhil, BA(Hons) in African languages, a Higher Diploma in Education, a BA degree, and Harvard University fellowship. Her research focus is on identity, race and post-apartheid blackness. Prof Mtose started her academic career at Rhodes University in 1996, became Dean at the Faculty of Education at the University of Fort Hare in 2009. In 2013, she moved to the University of Zululand as Dean of the Faculty of Education. Soon afterwards, she was appointed as Deputy Vice Chancellor for Teaching and Learning, later Acting Vice Chancellor and subsequently Vice Chancellor. She has published locally and internationally.</p> <p>Welcome by President: IASSW- Prof Annamaria Campanini (5 mins) Professor Annamaria Campanini was elected as President of the International Association of Schools of Social Work (IASSW) in 2016 and is now in her second term of office as President. She is a social worker and family therapist, as well as a retired PhD professor at Milano Bicocca University in Milan, Italy. Prof Campanini was the co-ordinator of the Thematic Network EUSW-European Social Work and President of EASSW. She has taught in many countries worldwide and has served as an international examiner for MA and PhD programs, and as an examiner expert for accreditations in Portugal and for European ESCO projects. She has authored many publications in several languages, and she serves as an editorial board member of many international social work journals.</p>

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Introduced by Mrs Civil Legodu

The Hon Minister Zulu is a member of the National Executive Committee (NEC) and the chairperson for the African National Congress's Sub-Committee on International Relations. After completing military and other training overseas, she returned to South Africa in 1991 and was appointed Head of Communication in the ANC Women's League and was one of the ANC's team of spokespersons for South Africa's first democratic elections in 1994. After the elections, she was elected a member of the Gauteng Legislature and was appointed Deputy Speaker of the Gauteng Legislature in 1995, and 1999 Ms Zulu was appointed the Special Advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs. In 2003 she joined the private sector as the Executive Head of Government and International Relations at Vodacom mobile group. In 2004 Ms Zulu became the South African Ambassador to Brazil. She was elected to the ANC National Executive Committee in 2007 and 2009. After 2009, Ms Zulu was appointed Special Advisor to the President of South Africa on International Relations. In 2014, Ms Zulu was appointed as the Minister of Small Business Development, and in 2019, she was appointed as the Minister of Social Development. Ms Zulu is particularly interested in issues relating to the promotion and protection of the rights of vulnerable groups (women, children, youth, and people with disabilities amongst others), and passionate about women empowerment and gender equality.

Keynote address: Dr Kumi Naidoo (30 mins)

Global ambassador, Africans Rising for Justice, Peace and Dignity

Introduced by Dr Mbazima Mathebane

Dr Kumi Naidoo is the Global Ambassador for Africans Rising for Justice, Peace & Dignity. He was International Executive Director of Greenpeace International from 2009-2015, and Secretary General of Amnesty International from 2018-2020. He has served as the Secretary-General of Civicus, an international alliance for citizen participation, from 1998 to 2008. Kumi has also served the Global Call to Action Against Poverty and the Global Call for Climate Action, which brings together environmental aid, religious and human rights

	groups, labour unions, scientists and others and has organised mass demonstrations around climate negotiations. Kumi has been awarded honorary doctorates for his social justice activism, by the University of Johannesburg in 2019, the Durban University of Technology in 2017, and the Nelson Mandela University in 2012. He also received the James Lawson Award for peaceful activism in (2014). In 2013, Kumi was selected as one of the 21 ICONS South Africa: Honouring the legacy of Nelson Mandela.	
11:45-12:05	Remembrance of colleagues who have passed on in 2021 (20 mins) <i>Session facilitators: Dr Corlie Giliomee and Mrs Civil Legodu</i>	
12:15- 12:45	Break (30 minutes)	
12:55	All presenters for Session 1 to check in to respective breakaway room by 12:55	
13:00- 15:00 Session 1 (2-hour sessions) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All are parallel sessions in specified online breakaway rooms Sub-theme codes are indicated. 	5a	Intimate relationships, marriage, families & transitions
	5b	Intimate relationships, marriage, families & transitions
	5c	Intimate relationships, marriage, families & transitions
	6a	Promoting mental health, well-being and sustainable communities
	6b	Promoting mental health, well-being and sustainable communities
	6c	Promoting mental health, well-being and sustainable communities
	9a	Social work and health issues: Substance abuse, HIV & AIDS and COVID-19
15:00-15:15	Break (15 minutes)	
15:10	All presenters for Session 2 to check in to respective breakaway room by 15:10	
15:15-17:15 (2-hour sessions) Session 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All are parallel sessions and workshops in specified online breakaway rooms Sub-theme codes are indicated. 	9b	Social work and health issues: Substance abuse, HIV & AIDS and COVID-19
	10a	Social work practice during pandemics: Working with children, youth, persons with disabilities, the homeless and the elderly
	10b	Social work practice during pandemics: Working with children, youth, persons with disabilities, the homeless and the elderly
	Workshop 1	<i>South African Student Social Workers' Association</i> Student burn-out and self-care during- and post-Covid <i>Session Co-chairs: Mrs Rene Morcom and Ms Sithu Myeni</i>
	Workshop 2	Global standards for social work education and practice: A shared vision Session Chair: Prof Anneline Keet (ASASWEI International Rep) <i>Presenters: Prof Antoinette Lombard [IFSW (Africa)] and Dr Darla Coffey (IASSW)</i>

Conference Day 2: Thursday 2nd September 2021

08:30–09:30	Registration Day 2 Presenters for Day 2 to check-in now	
10:00 –11:10 Plenary 2	Chairperson Day 2: Dr Kgomoiso Jongman President: ASSWA	
	Address by Dean: Faculty of Arts- University of Zululand: Prof Mogomme A. Masoga (12 min)	
	Address by Registrar: SACSSP: Mrs Langi Malamba (12 min)	
	Address by Acting Deputy Director-General: National Department of Social Development: Ms Isabella Sekawana (12 min)	
	Address by South African Student Social Workers Association: Mrs Rene Morcom (12 min)	
11:10	All presenters for Session 3 to check in to respective breakaway room by 11:10	
11:15-12:15 (1-hour sessions) Session 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All are parallel sessions in specified online breakaway rooms Sub-theme codes are indicated. 	1a	Building social work partnerships and interdisciplinary collaborations
	1b	Building social work partnerships and interdisciplinary collaborations
	2a	Climate change as a threat to human health: the role of social work
	2b	Climate change as a threat to human health: the role of social work
	2c	Climate change as a threat to human health: the role of social work
12:15- 12:45	Break (30 minutes)	
12:40	All presenters for Session 4 to check in to respective breakaway room by 12:40	
12:45-14:45 (2-hour sessions) Session 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All are parallel sessions in specified online breakaway rooms Sub-theme codes are indicated. 	10c	Social work practice during pandemics: Working with children, youth, persons with disabilities, the homeless and the elderly
	10d	Social work practice during pandemics: Working with children, youth, persons with disabilities, the homeless and the elderly
	10e	Social work practice during pandemics: Working with children, youth, persons with disabilities, the homeless and the elderly
	11a	Social work supervision and field instruction during the lockdown
	11b	Social work supervision and field instruction during the lockdown
	12a	Teaching under emergency remote learning in the fourth industrial revolution
	13a	Students' presentations (where requested)

14:45-15:00	Break (15 minutes)	
14:55	All presenters for Session 5 to check in to respective breakaway room by 14:55	
15:00-16:00 (1 hour sessions) Session 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All are parallel sessions in specified online breakaway rooms Sub-theme codes are indicated. 	3a	Decolonisation of social work education
	3b	Decolonisation of social work education
	7a	Promoting Ubuntu: Cultural, economic, gender and racial inequalities
	7b	Promoting Ubuntu: Cultural, economic, gender and racial inequalities
	8a	Social development and policy in responding to pandemics, poverty and inequality
15:55	All presenters for Session 6 to check in to respective breakaway room by 15:55	
16:00-17:30 (90 mins sessions) Session 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All are parallel sessions in specified online breakaway rooms Sub-theme codes are indicated. 	4a	Ethics and values in Social Work
	8b	Social development and policy in responding to pandemics, poverty and inequality
	8c	Social development and policy in responding to pandemics, poverty and inequality
	Workshop 3	Concerns on social work graduate unemployment <i>Session Co-Chairs: Dr Tlale Nathane and Prof John Rautenbach</i>
	Workshop 4	Ecometric Showcase: Solidifying evidence-base practice <i>Facilitated by: Dr Rika Swanzen and Prof Wim Roestenburg</i>

Conference Day 3: Friday 3rd September 2021

08:30 – 09:30	Registration Day 3	
10:00 -11:10 Plenary 3	Chairperson Day 3: Prof Lulu Shokane Vice-President: ASASWEI	
	Address by IASSW President Prof Annamaria Campanini (12 mins)	
	Address by ASSWA President Dr Kgomoetso Jongman (12 mins)	
	Marketing: Forthcoming & new publications (5 minutes per presenter: 30 mins)	
11:10	All presenters for Session 7 to check in to respective breakaway room by 11:10	
11:15-12:15 (60 mins) Session 7 • All are parallel sessions in specified online breakaway rooms • Sub-theme codes are indicated.	5d	Intimate relationships, marriage, families & transitions
	6d	Promoting mental health, well-being and sustainable communities
	8d	Social development and policy in responding to pandemics, poverty and inequality
	9c	Social work and health issues: Substance abuse, HIV & AIDS and COVID-19
	9d	Social work and health issues: Substance abuse, HIV & AIDS and COVID-19
	13b	Students' presentations (where requested as separate)
12:15 –12:45	Break (30 minutes)	
13:45-15:00 Plenary 4	ASASWEI Awards Ceremony Facilitator: Dr Mbazima Mathebane	
	Vote of thanks <i>Facilitators: Ms Thobeka Ntini and Dr Peter Dimo</i>	
	Introduction of new ASASWEI Executive: 2021 Address by Incoming ASASWEI President: 2021-2023	
	Conference closing address by Dr Varoshini Nadesan (ASASWEI President: 2019-2021)	
	Conference Closure	

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**Key to Conference Programme codes
for Sub-themes and online Breakout rooms**

**Conference 2021 theme:
Pandemics, poverty and inequality: Social work in the 21st century**

Conference 2021 Sub-themes

Conference Sub-theme	Number of accepted abstracts for this sub-theme	Online Breakout Room	Allocated to parallel session: Day and Date Session Number
1. Building social work partnerships and interdisciplinary collaborations	9	1a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 3 (parallel sessions)
		1b	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 3 (parallel sessions)
2. Climate change as a threat to human health: the role of social work	11	2a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 3 (parallel sessions)
		2b	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 3 (parallel sessions)
		2c	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 3 (parallel sessions)
3. Decolonisation of social work education	9	3a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 5 (parallel sessions)
		3b	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 5 (parallel sessions)
4. Ethics and values in Social Work	5	4a	Conference Day 2 Thurs 2 Sept 2021 Session 6 (parallel sessions)
5. Intimate relationships, marriage, families & transitions	23	5a	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 1 (parallel sessions)
		5b	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 1 (parallel sessions)
		5c	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 1 (parallel sessions)
		5d	Conference Day 3 Friday 3 Sept 2021 Session 7 (parallel sessions)
6. Promoting mental health, well-being and sustainable communities	24	6a	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 1 (parallel sessions)
		6b	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 1 (parallel sessions)
		6c	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 1 (parallel sessions)
		6d	Conference Day 3 Friday 3 Sept 2021 Session 7 (parallel sessions)
7. Promoting Ubuntu: Cultural, economic, gender and racial inequalities	9	7a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 5 (parallel sessions)

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		7b	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 5 (parallel sessions)
8. Social development and policy in responding to pandemics, poverty and inequality	16	8a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 5 (parallel sessions)
		8b	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 6 (parallel sessions)
		8c	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 6 (parallel sessions)
		8d	Conference Day 3 Friday 3 Sept 2021 Session 7 (parallel sessions)
9. Social work and health issues: Substance abuse, HIV & AIDS and COVID-19	20	9a	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 1 (parallel sessions)
		9b	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 2 (parallel sessions)
		9c	Conference Day 3 Friday 3 Sept 2021 Session 7 (parallel sessions)
		9d	Conference Day 3 Friday 3 Sept 2021 Session 7 (parallel sessions)
10. Social work practice during pandemics: Working with children, youth, persons with disabilities, the homeless and the elderly	36	10a	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 2 (parallel sessions)
		10b	Conference Day 1 Wednesday 1 Sept 2021 Session 2 (parallel sessions)
		10c	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 4 (parallel sessions)
		10d	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 4 (parallel sessions)
		10e	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 4 (parallel sessions)
11. Social work supervision and field instruction during the lockdown	12	11a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 4 (parallel sessions)
		11b	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 4 (parallel sessions)
12. Teaching under emergency remote learning in the fourth industrial revolution	7	12a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 4 (parallel sessions)
13. Student's presentations (where requested as separate)	11	13a	Conference Day 2 Thursday 2 Sept 2021 Session 4 (parallel sessions)
		13b	Conference Day 3 Friday 3 Sept 2021 Session 7 (parallel sessions)

Conference workshops		
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Local Organising Committee (LOC) Bios:



Prof Annaline CS Keet

International Representative:
ASASWEI
Mandela University

Annaline Keet trained as a social worker at the University of the Western Cape. She has a Masters and PhD in social work with specialization in Employee Wellbeing Programmes, from the University of Pretoria. She entered academia in 2010, working at Fort Hare University, Free State University (where she also served as Head of the Social Work Department), and is currently an Associate Professor at Mandela University. Annaline authored 9 academic publications. She has been involved in the evaluation of undergraduate and postgraduate curriculums nationally and in the region. She served on the previous executive of ASASWEI (2015-2017), and currently serves as the international representative of ASASWEI (2019-2023). Her primary research interests include social marginalization, cultural trauma and working with older persons.



Dr Tlale Nathane

Secretary: ASASWEI
University of Witwatersrand

Tlale Nathane is a qualified social worker. She is a lecturer at the Department of Social Work at the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits). She has been in academia for 14 and holds a Bachelors, Masters and PhD in Social Work from Wits University. She is a member of the National DSD Task Team on the development of a Supervision Framework for Social Services Professionals.

Tlale has co-authored a newly published book by HSRC titled *Black Academic Voices: The South African Experience*. She is involved in research collaborations on fatherhood, families, absent fathers and academic experiences of students. She is the Secretary of ASASWEI.



Dr Mbazima Simeon Mathebane

Treasurer: ASASWEI University of South Africa

Mbazima is a senior lecturer at the Department of Social Work at the University of South Africa (UNISA). He lectures of community work and welfare policy, chairs the departmental scientific review committee (higher degrees committee), and supervises postgraduate students. His research interests include African indigenous knowledge systems, Afrocentrism and decoloniality applied to both practice and educational issues. Mbazima completed his doctoral thesis on indigenous and decolonial social work from UNISA in 2017. In 2017 he received the ASASWEI Up-and-Coming Educator of the Year Award. He has published scholarly articles in accredited peer reviewed journals as well as contributed to book chapters. He is a member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Indigenous Social Development (University of Calgary). He is the treasurer of ASASWEI (2019-2023).



Ms Thobeka Ntini

University of Zululand

Thobeka is a lecturer in the Department of Social Work at the University of Zululand. She has a Master of Social Work degree (Cum Laude) from the University of KwaZulu-Natal and is currently pursuing her PhD studies. She also holds an international Master of Social Work with Families and Children obtained from a multi-country Erasmus Programme coordinated by Lisbon University Institute (Portugal), University of Stavanger (Norway), University of Gothenburg (Sweden) and Makerere University (Uganda). Her work is largely framed by intersectionality, anti-oppressive practice and participatory research. Her recent projects explored the experiences of children and families during the COVID-19 lockdown in South Africa. She has published peer-reviewed articles in local and international journals.



Ms Sithuthukile Sibusisiwe Myeni

University of Zululand

Sithuthukile is a lecturer at the University of Zululand. She holds a masters in social work and is currently registered for her PhD studies at the University of Zululand.

Her research her focus is on gender-based violence, victim empowerment and social work practice.

As a social worker, she is committed to empowering people to help themselves in moving from a state of helplessness to hope and purpose to change their state of dysfunction.



Dr Peter Masibinyane Dimo

University of Zululand

Peter Dimo is a lecturer at University of Zululand. He entered academia in 2009 where he worked at the University of Limpopo as fieldwork coordinator. In 2014, he was appointed at lecturer at North-West University. He joined the University of Zululand in 2018.

Peter's research interests include public health and social work. He has published several papers on organ donation and transplantation.

He supervises masters and doctoral candidates.



Dr Corlie Giliomee

ASSWA Treasurer
University of Pretoria

Corlie joined the University of Pretoria 10 years ago as lecturer in the Department of Social Work and Criminology. She holds a masters and completed her doctorate in 2020 with a focus on human rights education at schools of social work in Southern and East Africa. She teaches developmental social work and theories for social work practice and social development. She has vast practice experience spanning 15 years in various fields of social work. Her academic and research interests include human rights and human rights education, social justice, social work education, social development and homelessness.

Corlie serves as the treasurer of the Association of Schools of Social Work in Africa (ASSWA) since June 2018.



Dr Rika Swanzen

SACSSP representative
Independent Institute of Education

Rika is the programme manager for the School of Social Sciences at the Institute of Independent Education (MSA), and between 2015-2018 was Adjunct Associate Professor with the Caulfield campus of Monash University. Rika has developed and taught in child and youth care at MSA since 2009. She has authored 18 peer reviewed publications and made 18 presentations at international conferences. She is a postgraduate supervisor, an external examiner and an editor for the Relational Child and Youth Care Practice journal. She has practice experience in child and family welfare, adolescent mental health, community development, residential care, foster care training and practice model development. She has a master's degree (cum laude) in clinical social work and a doctorate in social work. She was appointed by the Minister of Social Development as the education and training sector representative on the SACSSP (2016-2022).



Ms Rene Morcom

SASSWA representative

Rene graduated from UNISA with a Bachelor of Social Work and is currently studying for a master's degree in Clinical Social work at the University of Johannesburg. In 2018 (pre-covid days), she developed an interest in online social work intervention.

Rene been instrumental in facilitating the formation of SASSWA and sees this as a great forum to support social work students in South Africa. Her passion for supporting social work students started four years ago when she began offering free mentorship for final year UNISA students, which she is still very involved in today.



Dr Darla Spence Coffey

Council on Social Work Education
IASSW Education Sub-Committee
Chair

Darla is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) which represents over 800 accredited undergraduate and graduate programs of professional social work in the USA. Dr Coffey received her BSW from Eastern College, her MSW from the University of Pennsylvania, and her PhD from Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research. She has an extensive background in social work practice in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, and domestic violence. More recently, Darla has been focusing her presentations and writings on provider well-being and leadership. Darla is the Chair of the Education Sub-Committee at the IASSW.



Mrs Civil Legodu

Chief Director: Professional
Support and Older Persons,
National Department of Social
Development

Civil is a social worker with 30 years' experience in practice and management. She has served on various service delivery professional structures and committees to ensure reach and impact realisation of social work interventions in the community. Since 2000, she has been attached to the National Department of Social Development and served in various senior and management portfolios. In these roles, she has been instrumental in furthering the development of key programmes, policies and legislative frameworks for the social services sector. She also served on the local organising committee for the planning of previous ASASWEI conferences and served as past- President of National Association of Social Workers (NASW)(SA).

Civil currently holds the position of Chief Director: Professional Support and Older Persons and serving as a Ministerial appointee on the SACSSP for the National Department of Social Development.



Prof John Victor Rautenbach

Head of Department Social work:
University of Zululand

John is a Professor and Head of the Department of Social Work at the University of Zululand and previous Head of the Department of Social Work and Social Development at the University of Fort Hare. He has served as a member of Senate, Faculty Board, Faculty Planning Committee, Teaching and Learning Committee, Recognition of Prior Learning Committee and the Higher Degrees' Committee. He is a former international representative of ASASWEI, and former Board Member of the IASSW. He continues to Chair the Standing Committee on the World Census of Social Work Programs.

John is a postgraduate supervisor, has published in local and international peer-reviewed journals, presented at national and international conferences, served on scientific committees, and was a visiting scholar and guest lecturer at the University of Lincoln, UK. His teaching and research areas include social justice, human rights, relationships, marriage and family transitions, and clinical social work practice.

Conference notes