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## Message from the CEO

#### Dear Reader,

As we step into the month of May, I am pleased to share some exciting updates and initiatives from the Inclusive Society Institute (ISI). Over the past few months, we have made significant strides in fulfilling the mission of the ISI.

On 18 April 2023, the ISI participated in a roundtable discussion on achieving coexistence between monarchical rule and democratic systems in Southern Africa. The event focused on designing social accords for sustainable state-society relations and the role of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)



the Southern African Development Community (SADC) in supporting democratic transitions in Eswatini and Lesotho.

Our research teams have been diligently working on studies that shed light on the challenges faced by our country. Their invaluable work is driving meaningful change and generating crucial insights to inform policy decisions.

On 5 April 2023, the ISI released a publication titled "Geopolitical Risks in 2023," which explores the potential risks and challenges in the geopolitical landscape for the year. On 19 April 2023, the ISI published a report titled "Measuring Social Cohesion in South Africa." This report provides insights into assessing and understanding social cohesion within the country.

Various news outlets covered topics related to the work of the ISI:

- Several articles on 15 and 17 April 2023, discussed the ongoing issue of etoll debts in South Africa and potential implications for Gauteng residents.
- On 17 April 2023, an article highlighted the constitutional challenges surrounding the newly signed electoral reform law.
- Discussions on opposition coalitions, election predictions, and the future of the ruling party were featured in multiple news articles between 26 and 28 April 2023.

Looking ahead, we have an exciting calendar of events planned for the coming months, including conferences, seminars, and public forums that will facilitate important discussions and foster collaboration among stakeholders.

Thank you once again for your support. I wish you all a joyous and fruitful remainder of the year.

I trust that you will enjoy this edition of our newsletter.

Regards,

Daryl Swanepoel

### **Activities** 18 April 2023 ISI attends roundtable – Towards the Lesotho & Eswatini we want **Gateways for Peace** The Inclusive Society Institute (ISI) attended a roundtable exploring the best models for co-existent between monarchical rule within a democratic system in Southern Africa, the design of social accords for more sustainable state 2022 society relations, and the role of the Southern African Development Community and other actors in supporting and facilitating the transitions to democracy in Eswatini or consolidation of democracy in Lesotho. Read more **Publication releases** 5 April 2023 19 April 2023 **Geopolitical Risks in Measuring Social** 2023 **Cohesion in South** Africa Read more urina ocial Cohesion Read more in South Africa

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17 April 2023	BD	Business Day	Unconstitutional laws must be challenged	

17 April 2023	Polity	Polity	e-Tolls not going anywhere anytime soon, residents may still have to pay their e-Toll debt
17 April 2023	TOPCARNEWS	Top Car News	South Africans may still have to pay their e-toll debts
17 April 2023	IOL	IOL	Independent candidates can now stand for election
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18 April 2023	news24	News24	Want a quality election in 2024? Maybe don't challenge the new election law in court, says IEC
18 April 2023	TheCitizen	The Citizen	Several Constitutional challenges ahead for newly signed electoral reform law
18 April 2023		eNCA	Electoral Act   Mixed reactions to new law
18 April 2023	REKORD	Pretoria Rekord	E-tolls are a thing of a past – GP government
18 April 2023		RSG	Wysigings aan die Kieswet
20 April 2023		eNCA	e-Tolls   Some may have to settle outstanding debt
25 April 2023	SAM SAME	SAfm	It is highly unlikely that South Africa will form a coalition government at the national level, according to the Inclusive Society Institute
26 April 2023	The Citizen	The Citizen	Time for ruling party 'to wake up'
26 April 2023	EVEWITNESS NEWS	Eyewitness News	National coalition made up of opposition parties highly unlikely – poll
26 April 2023	Jacaranda/m	Jacaranda FM	Opposition coalitions
27 April 2023	news24	News24	A new poll puts the ANC at 50% in 2024, the EFF up, and the DA down – but it's all about turnout
27 April 2023		Opera News	Analysts tip EFF to save ANC from election failure
27 April 2023	H-	Head Topics	A new poll puts the ANC at 50% in 2024, the EFF up, and the DA down – but it's all about turnout   News24
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