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Dear Readers,

June was a productive month for the Inclusive Society Institute, marked by the release of new research and continued engagement in public debate on issues of national and international importance.

Our publications during the month reflected the breadth of the Institute's research agenda. We examined the evolving United States-Israel-Iran conflict and the constraints shaping contemporary international relations, while our work on the next United Nations Secretary-General considered the leadership required as the international order undergoes significant change. We also turned our attention to the future of EU-Africa relations, exploring how this important partnership must adapt to new geopolitical and economic realities.

Closer to home, we released the latest instalment of our *True South Africa – Evidence Series*, focusing on crime, safety and institutional capacity. The research generated considerable public interest and media coverage, particularly around the important distinction between recorded crime trends and South Africans' lived perceptions of safety.

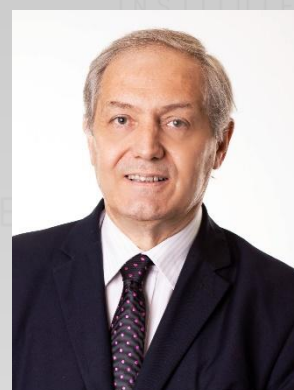
The Institute's work also contributed to wider public conversations during June on unemployment, African integration, Cape independence and the question of e-toll refunds.

These diverse debates reinforce the importance of rigorous, evidence-based public policy research. At a time when complex issues are too often reduced to simple narratives, the Institute remains committed to encouraging informed discussion, testing assumptions against evidence and contributing constructive policy ideas.

Thank you for your continued interest in our work and for being part of the conversation.

Warm regards,

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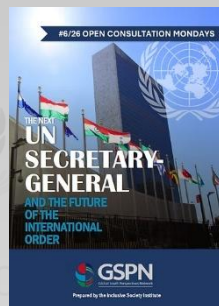
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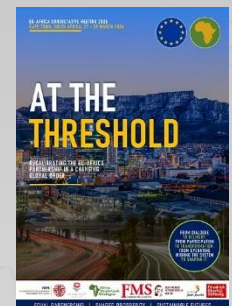
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Jun 5, 2026		Network 24	Republiek van die Wes-Kaap? Dis g'n so eenvoudig
Jun 8, 2026		Politics Web	Cape independence: A response to Daryl Swanepoel - Phil Craig
Jun 11, 2026		Network 24	'Wes-Kaap kán afskei en dís hoe'
Jun 16, 2026		IOL	True South Africa Crime, Fear, and the Difference Between Facts and Feelings
Jun 16, 2026		African News Agency	True South Africa Crime, Fear, and the Difference Between Facts and Feelings
Jun 17, 2026		Business Day	Unemployment: are we measuring the wrong thing?
Jun 23, 2026		IOL	True South Africa Why South Africans Feel Less Safe Than The Data Suggests
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Jun 24, 2026		The Citizen	Crime rates fell since 1994 but South Africans still feel unsafe
Jun 25, 2026		IOL on TikTok	Has Crime in South Africa Increased or Decreased in 30 Years?
Jun 25, 2026		Cape Times	Why South Africans feel less safe than the data suggests
Jun 26, 2026		Netwerk 24	Waarom ons minder veilig voel as wat die ware syfers bewys
Jun 29, 2026		Business Day	Why motorists who paid e-tolls should be refunded