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Dear Readers,

June has been a month of purposeful engagement for the Inclusive Society Institute – one that reminds us why evidence, dialogue and grassroots connection must travel hand-in-hand. This edition captures that spirit.

On the research front we released a new report, The Role of Middle Powers in Re-balancing the Global Governance System and Reviving Multilateralism. It argues that countries like South Africa can broker fairer, more resilient multilateral rules – a theme echoed during our participation in the T20 South Africa Mid-Term Conference. Two Occasional Papers complemented the debate: the first re-examines the US – China rivalry during the Trump era and its implications for Africa, while the second distils lessons on managing social cohesion drawn from the United Arab Emirates.

Turning research into action, our “Taking the Constitution to the People” road-show visited Lighthouse Christian Academy and Rabboni Christian High School in Brits, as well as Daspoort Secondary and Hercules High in Pretoria. Engaging more than 1 200 learners, we saw young South Africans discover that constitutional rights are not abstractions but everyday shields of dignity.

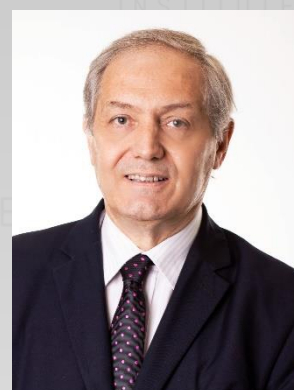
At national level we contributed to the IEC’s Symposium on Political Funding, urging transparent regulation that protects democracy. Internationally, Institute representatives pressed for fairer climate-finance architecture and global tax reform at the UN’s Fourth Financing for Development Forum and shared perspectives on inclusive nation-building at Singapore’s International Conference on Cohesive Societies.

Each of these touch-points, from classroom conversations to global forums, reaffirms our conviction: societies flourish when citizens are informed, institutions accountable and international rules just. I am grateful to our team, partners and supporters for turning that conviction into lived reality.

Let us keep moving ideas into impact, together.

Warm regards,

Daryll Swanepoel



Activities

June 19, 2025

Taking the Constitution to the People - Lighthouse Christian Academy, Brits

On Thursday, 19 June 2025, the Inclusive Society Institute's School Project Coordinator in the North West Province, Patrick Motsepe, facilitated an engaging and insightful constitutional education workshop for Grade 11 learners at Lighthouse Academy.

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June 19, 2025

Taking the Constitution to the People - Rabboni Christian High School, Brits

The Inclusive Society Institute continues to make meaningful progress in promoting democratic values within secondary and tertiary institutions across the North West Province. On Thursday, 19 June 2025, learners from Rabboni Christian High School took part in the "Taking the Constitution to the People" workshop...

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June 19, 2025

Inclusive Society Institute participates in National Symposium on Political Funding: 18-19 June 2025, Durban

The Inclusive Society Institute participated in the Electoral Commission of South Africa's Symposium on Political Funding, which was held in Durban on 18 and 19 June 2025. The symposium brought together a diverse array of stakeholders, including political parties, researchers, regulators, civil society organisations...

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June 20, 2025

Inclusive Society Institute attends the T20 South Africa Midterm Conference

The Inclusive Society Institute (ISI) proudly participated in the T20 South Africa Midterm Conference, held on 19 and 20 June 2025. Hosted by the South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA), the Institute for Global Dialogue (IGD), and the Institute for Pan-African Thought and Conversation (IPATC), the event brought...

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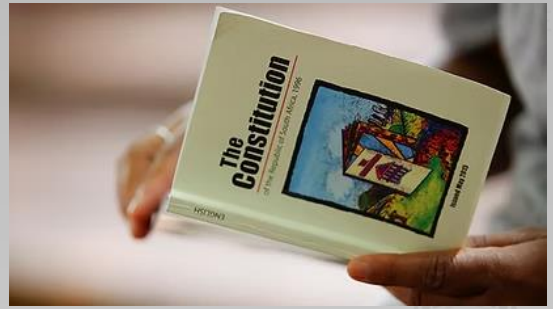


June 23, 2025

Taking the Constitution to the People - Daspoort Secondary School, Pretoria

The Inclusive Society Institute is making strides in promoting constitutional literacy and democratic engagement across South Africa, with a strong presence in both the Gauteng and North West Provinces. Through its civic education initiative, “Taking the Constitution to the People”, the Institute has been delivering...

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Taking the Constitution to the People - Hercules High School, Pretoria

The Inclusive Society Institute continues to make significant strides in advancing constitutional literacy and democratic values among secondary school learners in Gauteng Province. On Monday, 23 June 2025, learners from Hercules High School in Pretoria participated in the “Taking the Constitution to the People”...

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June 26, 2025

International Conference on Cohesive Societies, Singapore, 24-26 June 2025

The Chief Executive Officer of the Inclusive Society Institute, Mr. Daryl Swanepoel, attended the International Conference on Cohesive Societies, organised by the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University and held in Singapore from 24 to 26 June 2025.

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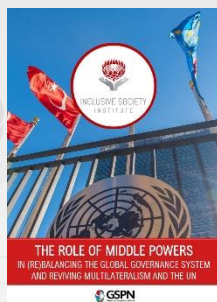


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Jun 10, 2025		Daily & Guardian	AI and social media: A double-edged sword that demands responsibility
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Jun 12, 2025		Die Burger	Lied 'wettig, maar dwaas'
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Jun 13, 2025		Mail & Guardian	Rebuilding trust is key to social cohesion
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