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September 2025

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Dear Readers,

September has been a month of reflection and purposeful action for the Inclusive Society Institute. Our commitment to building a just, cohesive, and forward-looking society remains unwavering, even as we navigate complex challenges at home and abroad.

One of the most urgent issues we tackled this month is the rise in anti-immigration sentiment revealed by our latest GovDem survey. This trend threatens social stability and economic progress, and we have responded by amplifying the conversation through media engagements and policy dialogues. Our call is clear: South Africa must find constructive solutions that uphold human rights while safeguarding national interests.

On the constitutional front, our webinar series with Justice Albie Sachs delivered a compelling discussion on Mother Tongue Education. Language should unite, not divide. Embracing linguistic diversity in education is key to strengthening cultural identity and improving learning outcomes.

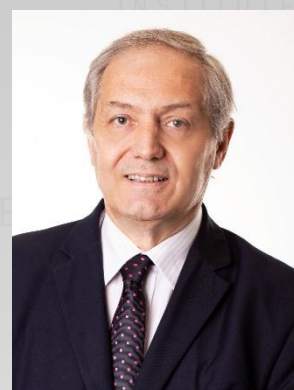
Globally, we engaged in the FOGGS Open Consultation on middle-power capabilities and hosted a high-level dialogue on UN80: Renewal or Decline? These platforms reaffirm our commitment to shaping multilateral reform and ensuring Africa's voice resonates in global governance.

Our research output this month includes reports on Africa's Security in Transition, rebuilding South African Airways and UN reform, alongside our flagship Journal for Inclusive Public Policy. These publications provide evidence-based insights to guide policymakers and stakeholders.

As we look ahead, our focus remains on strengthening democratic institutions, promoting inclusive policies, and driving research that informs meaningful change. Thank you for your continued support in advancing our shared vision of an inclusive and prosperous society.

Warm regards,

*Daryll Swanepoel*



## Activities

Sep 15, 2025

### Inclusive Society Institute CEO at the FOGGS Open Consultation

On 15 September 2025, the Chief Executive Officer of the Inclusive Society, Daryl Swanepoel, participated in the FOGGS Open Consultation on “Shaping Global Governance Through Middle Power Capabilities.” This virtual consultation formed part of the FOGGS Open Consultation Mondays series, a platform designed to explore critical issues in global governance and the evolving role of middle powers.



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### The Role of Mother Tongue Education

On 17 September 2025, the Inclusive Society Institute, in partnership with Daily Maverick, hosted the third instalment of its Constitutional Insights by Albie Sachs webinar series. Building on a four-part podcast with former Constitutional Court Justice Albie Sachs, the series explores the Constitution, social justice, and the promise of transformation in South Africa, while highlighting the ongoing challenges of building an inclusive and equitable democracy.



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Sep 1, 2025		The Star	Rising distrust of African immigrants could spark instability, warns Inclusive Society Institute
Sep 1, 2025		红色木團	包容性社会研究所警告 —— 南非民众对来自非洲其他国家移民信任度下降可能引发动荡
Sep 1, 2025		Magic 828	Rising distrust of African immigrants could spark instability, warns Inclusive Society Institute
Sep 1, 2025		Briefly	Survey Reveals That South Africans' Distrust of Immigrants Could Lead to Instability
Sep 2, 2025		eNCA	Survey reveals rising distrust of African immigrants in SA
Sep 2, 2025		eNCA	Rising distrust of African immigrants could spark instability, warns Inclusive Society Institute
Sep 2, 2025		The Mercury	Rising distrust of African immigrants could spark instability, warns Inclusive Society Institute
Sep 2, 2025		The Mercury	Distrust of African immigrants linked to employment status, survey finds
Sep 2, 2025		Radio 786	The Inclusive Society Institute notes a increase tensions, particularly towards nationals from African
Sep 3, 2025		IOL	Where do migrants fit in the Rainbow Nation? African diaspora raises alarm over migrants' rejection
Sep 3, 2025		Daily Maverick	The role of state institutions in supporting constitutional democracy
Sep 6, 2025		IOL	The rising cost of matric balls: a celebration or expensive headache
Sep 6, 2025		Business Report	The rising cost of matric balls: a celebration or expensive headache
Sep 6, 2025		Cape Argus	The rising cost of matric balls: a celebration or expensive headache
Sep 9, 2025		SA Financial Markets Journal	The Utility of Digital Currencies in Mitigating U.S. – South Africa Trade Tensions
Sep 11, 2025		Katoikos.world	UN at 80: Reform or ritual?
Sep 14, 2025		Mail & Guardian	The United Nations at 80: Real reform or ritual?
Sep 18, 2025		Business Day	How Trump's tariffs could affect the aviation industry

Sep 21, 2025



Daily Maverick

Albie Sachs — we must see language not as a battleground, but as a gift

Sep 30, 2025



Western Cape Government

2025 Provincial Economic Review and Outlook