



## Invitation to a Public Lecture Address South African Library Week

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**Date:** Wednesday, 17 March 2021

**Time:** 10h00–12h00



**Prof Bhekisipho Twala**

### **TITLE OF THE LECTURE:**

**LIBRARIES IN THE 21ST CENTURY**

**Prof Bhekisipho Twala** is the Executive Dean of Engineering and Built Environment and Professor in Artificial Intelligence and Data Science at the DUT. Before then, he was the Director of the School of Engineering at the University of South Africa and the Director of the Institute for Intelligent Systems at the University of Johannesburg. Prof Twala's current work involves promoting and conducting research in Artificial Intelligence within the Big data analytics field and developing novel and innovative solutions to key research problems in this area. He has published over 150 scientific papers and a book on Non-linear Filtering. He is currently an associate editor of the Intelligent Data Analysis Journal, Journal of Computers, International Journal of Advanced Information Science and Technology, International Journal of Big Data Intelligence, Journal of Image and Data Fusion, Journal of Information Processing Systems, and a fellow of the Royal Statistical Society. Other professional memberships include the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM); the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CIT), South Africa and a senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). In 2016, he was awarded the NSTF-South 32TW Kam-bule research award.

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### **Programme Director**

Ms Patiswa Zibani: Manager, Campus Library and Sites

### **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

Prof G Mheta: Writing Centre Manager

### **Why Libraries Matter: History of SALW**

Ms Lucille Webster: Director, Library Services

### **Entertainment**

Ms Ntobe Mafu: 3rd year HR Student

### **Presentation of the public lecture**

### **Word of thanks**

Mr Siza Radebe: Manager, Campus Library and Sites