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Renowned accounting giant, Dr Sizwe Nxasana to deliver a public lecture at Unisa

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Renowned accounting giant, Dr Sizwe Nxasana will deliver a public lecture at the University of South Africa (Unisa)'s Muckleneuk Campus on Wednesday, 26 July 2024.

The lecture, organised under the auspices of the Unisa College of Accounting Sciences (CAS), will be held under the theme: "Reflecting on the democratization of accounting in higher education".

The purpose of this lecture is to evaluate the progress made in the accounting profession and education; as well as to explore intervention strategies that can be implemented to address the shortage of accounting skills and support the graduation of African accountants after 30 years of democracy in South Africa.

Dr Nxasana is a trailblazing South African businessman, educator and chartered accountant who was conferred with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Accounting Sciences (*Honoris Causa*) by Unisa late last year. He is also a founder and CEO of Sifiso Learning Group (Pty) Ltd and former CEO of FirstRand Bank Limited.

He is one of the first blacks to qualify as a chartered accountant in a profession historically dominated by white practitioners. His significant contributions to the discipline of Accountancy include the establishment of the pioneering black-owned chartered accounting firm, Sizwe & Co Chartered Accountants in 1989. He was also a founding partner of the fifth largest audit firm in South Africa and which has played a pivotal role in the training of numerous black chartered accountants, Nkonki Sizwe Ntsaluba (later renamed Sizwe Ntsaluba Gobodo).

The public lecture will take place as follows:

Date: Friday, 26 July 2024

Time: 09:00

Venue: 3rd floor Senate Hall, Winnie Madikizela Mandela Building, Muckleneuk Campus.

Pretoria

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the lecture.

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