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**UCT continues engagement with alumni through Pretoria visit**

25 July 2019 | 17:30 | Protea Hotel Hatfield, Pretoria

University of Cape Town (UCT) Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Transformation, Professor Loretta Feris, will visit Pretoria as part of an ongoing engagement programme facilitated by the university’s Development and Alumni Department.

The cocktail event, which takes place on 25 July at the Protea Hotel Hatfield, is an opportunity for stakeholders – including alumni, corporate representatives and friends – to engage with Professor Feris and gain an understanding of the latest developments at UCT. Professor Feris will focus on transformation developments and the vision for transformation going forward.

“Transformation is an evolving process. There is no silver bullet and the journey of transformation is a life-long commitment. What is important is that we commit ourselves to this journey. As such, at UCT we constantly revaluate and adapt our policies, processes and actions to ensure that UCT is responsive to the current academic, social and economic realities of staff and students,” said Professor Feris.

Legacy Manager in the Development and Alumni Department, Mr Fahim Docrat added: “UCT is very much an engaged institution and very aware of the challenges but also the immense opportunities in South Africa. Critical to our vision for the future is an approach of consultation and listening to feedback from our alumni and friends. This visit is about sharing updates but also about receiving feedback and incorporating what we hear into our strategy for the university.”

Docrat continued: “Our alumni and friends are spread all over the world and we aim to continue to grow our footprint and maintain our standing as the number one university in Africa.”

UCT has hosted similar events in other parts of the country and will continue doing so throughout the country during the year.

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