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Laurier's Tshepo Institute presents Alan Whiteside: Is HIV/AIDS over?

BRANTFORD – The Tshepo Institute for the Study of Contemporary Africa, a research centre at Wilfrid Laurier University, will present a lecture by Alan Whiteside on **Oct. 23 at 7 p.m.** in the **Research and Academic Centre West**, 150 Dalhousie Street, room RCW 002.

Whiteside's lecture, entitled "Is HIV/AIDS Over?" will address the historical and current challenges to combating HIV/AIDS.

Whiteside is an international expert on HIV/AIDS and global health policy. He is the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) Chair in Global Health Policy, affiliated with Laurier's School of International Policy and Governance and the Balsillie School of International Affairs.

Whiteside is the author/co-author of numerous journal articles and books - among them, *AIDS: The Challenge for South Africa*, *AIDS in the Twenty-First Century: Disease and Globalisation*, and *HIV/AIDS: A Very Short Introduction*. He has served on the Commission for HIV/AIDS and Governance in Africa, and from 2002 to 2012 was an elected member of the governing council of the International AIDS Society.

Whiteside is professor emeritus at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. He has been a visiting professor in the School of Tropical Medicine at Liverpool University, Leverhulme visiting professor at the University of Southampton, and visiting fellow at the University of East Anglia.

"Dr. Whiteside's lecture will address one of the most challenging health problems of our time and the implications for the generations," said Oliver Masakure, associate professor, Business Technology Management and director of the Tshepo Institute. "He is a brilliant speaker and deep thinker and we are delighted to have such an eminent scholar grace the Laurier campus."

The Tshepo Institute promotes global awareness and excellence in knowledge development on African issues with the aim of inspiring positive transformation. It focuses on contemporary development and social justice issues in Africa from an interdisciplinary perspective. It serves as a hub for knowledge mobilization and student/faculty enrichment that can inform transformative policies and emphasize causes for hope.

For more details about the Tshepo Institute and the lecture, please visit:
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