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## Public Lecture

on

# Resonance Between the Concept of a Community of Shared Future for Humankind and the Philosophies of Ubuntu and Satyagraha in International Relations

by



## Professor Gessler Moses Nkondo

Former Vice Chancellor and Principal, University of Venda, South Africa  
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### About the Speaker:

A student of social policy and discourse analysis, Professor Muxe Nkondo believes that institutions of learning, while they must transmit technically exploitable knowledge, must at the same time cultivate that higher sensibility and moral imagination one finds in the arts and humanities at their best. Currently in education, there is remarkable growth in technical skill, but there is no necessary connection between the increase in means and bringing about of the goal they exist to serve: a caring and cohesive society. Eleven years as Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University of Venda; three years as Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice Principal (Academic Affairs) of the University of the North (now University of Limpopo); ten years as professor at various American universities and colleges; an Andrew Mellon Fellow in English at Harvard University; Visiting Professor at Harvard and Visiting Scholar at Oxford, one of the five hundred scholars from Africa and the Diaspora invited by the African Union in 2004 to participate in a conference in Dakar, Senegal, on the role of intellectuals in Africa. Apart from having been a member of the Oxford Club and the Middle East and African Council of the International Association of University Presidents, Prof. Nkondo has served as chairperson of Technical Teams and Expert Panels in the following government departments in South Africa: Higher Education, Arts and Culture, Trade and Industry, Tourism, Public Services and Administration, and Human Settlements. He also served as a policy expert on the Technical Team that drafted the National Water Resources Strategy. He served also as 'anchor' for the Eastern Cape Planning Commission.

Currently, among other positions, he is a member of the Executive Committee of Council of the University of South Africa, member of the Steering Committee of the Moses Kotane Institute and Centre of Indigenous African Knowledge Systems of the University of KwaZulu Natal.

## Programme

### Welcoming Remarks

11:45 am – 11:50 am

Professor (Dr.) C. Raj Kumar, Vice Chancellor, O.P. Jindal Global University

### Public Lecture

11:50 am – 12:20 pm

Professor Gessler Moses Nkondo, Former Vice Chancellor and Principal, University of Venda, South Africa; Member of the Executive Committee of Council, University of South Africa

12:20 pm – 12:40 pm

### Q&A Session

### Concluding Remarks

12:40 pm – 12:45 pm

Professor (Dr.) Sreeram Chaulia, Dean, Jindal School of International Affairs, JGU

Tuesday, 16 October 2018 | 11:45am – 12:45 pm

Venue: Class Room No. 42, T3, 2nd Floor via Elevators

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