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## The Centre for the Study of Governance Innovation (GovInn) in partnership with the SARChI Chair: African Diplomacy and Foreign Policy

*invite you to a roundtable discussion in honour of the renowned academic and diplomat Prof. Gerrit Olivier entitled*

### **“South Africa’s World: Perspectives on Diplomacy and International Political Economy”**

South Africa’s approach to international relations continues to develop within the push and pull of wider international geo-politics. It is at once an “emerging power” and a “regional power”, and occasionally an uncomfortable link between the Global North and Global South.

This roundtable brings together some of the country’s leading thinkers to explore South Africa’s foreign policy. Participants include **Deon Geldenhuys** (University of Johannesburg), **Chris Landsberg** (SARChI), **Lorenzo Fioramonti** (GovInn) and **Costa Georghiou** (University of Johannesburg). **Elizabeth Sidiropoulos** (South African Institute of International Affairs) will provide opening remarks along with Prof Geldenhuys. The last word will of course go to Prof. **Gerrit Olivier** himself.

This event is dedicated to Prof. Olivier, in honour of his fifty years of distinguished service as an academic and diplomat. Among his many accomplishments, Prof. Olivier served as South Africa’s first ambassador to the Russian Federation, as well as having held senior positions at both the University of Pretoria and the University of Johannesburg. A special issue of the South African Journal of International Affairs (Volume 22, Issue 4, 2015) marks this special occasion as well.

**Date:** Tuesday, 3 May 2016

**Time:** 16:00-18:00 (*cocktail reception to follow*)

**Venue:** Senate Hall, Administration Building, University of Pretoria, Main Campus (Hatfield)

**RSVP essential:** <http://goo.gl/forms/FPmErQH3ec> (RSVP by 29 April 2016)

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