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Seminar Title: The role of joint stock companies during the phylloxera and rinderpest epidemics in the Cape Colony, 1892-1902

Speaker: Dr Lloyd Melusi Maphosa

History Access, Department of Historical Studies, UCT



Seminar Date:

Wednesday, 12 May 2021

Seminar Time:

1pm SAST (GMT +2)

Venue:

Zoom (online)

Lloyd Melusi Maphosa is part of the History Access postdoctoral fellowship programme in the Department of Historical Studies. He is a Business/Economic Historian who completed his PhD at Stellenbosch University in 2020. His area of focus is the history of joint stock companies in colonial South Africa. Using micro-data from limited company records, he explores various themes about the impact of joint stock companies in South African history as well as how they affected capitalist relations. His work uses both quantitative and qualitative sources. This is partially because of his association with the Laboratory of Africa's Economic Past (LEAP), and Frontiers of Finance during his PhD studies. For his postdoctoral research, he intends to write about less acknowledged financiers of joint stock companies in South African history – namely women and Africans. Informed by Schumpeter's notion that capitalism is a changing machine, he argues that the emergence of modern companies enabled these individuals to venture into entrepreneurial capitalism – an activity that was often dominated by the elite.

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