



***Fourth Industrial Revolution,
Emerging Technologies, and Theology***

Programme

Monday 29 July

14:00: *Registration*

Coffee and tea with refreshments

14:30: *Welcoming and introduction of the Rector and Vice-Chancellor*

- Prof Rantoa Letšosa, Acting Dean of the Faculty of Theology and Religion (UFS)

14:35: *Opening*

- Prof Francis Petersen, Rector and Vice-Chancellor (UFS)

14:45: *Technology and theology: Finding the real God*

- Prof Louis Fourie (CPUT)

15:25: *Religious leadership and the Fourth Industrial Revolution: Towards a competency framework*

- Prof Ian Nell (US)

16:05: *Theologizing emerging technologies?*

- Prof Rian Venter (UFS)

16:45: *Coffee and tea with refreshments*

17:15: *The Fourth Industrial Revolution: A case of misplaced Messianism?*

- Prof Johann Rossouw (UFS)

17:55: *What would the University of the future look like, and how would the Fourth Industrial Revolution transform curricula and pedagogics?*

- Prof Francois Strydom and Heinrich Prinsloo (UFS)

18:35: *What is the shape of future ethics — new challenges, new tasks, new approaches — and is there room left for Christian Ethics?*

- Prof Anton van Niekerk (US)

Tuesday 30 July

08:00: *Coffee and tea with refreshments*

08:30: *Close encounters of the fourth kind: New technologies and lived religion*

- Prof Ruard Ganzevoort (VU, Amsterdam)

09:10: *Being human and technology: Mapping the relational significance and exploring its innovational territories*

- Prof Danie Veldsman (UP)

09:50: *The impact of emerging technologies on liturgical practices. A thanatechnological exploration*

- Prof Cas Wepener and Dr Nicolaas Matthee (UP)

10:30: *Brunch*

11:15: *The shaping of theological education for a changing world*

- Prof Marilyn Naidoo (UNISA)

11:55: *Conclusion*