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The Postgraduate Forum for Southern Africa cordially invites you to a workshop entitled  
**Thesis development and the framing of research issues as threshold concepts in supervision**

**Date:** 25 October 2019, 10.00 to 15.00

**Venue:** Phyllis Ntantala Collaborative Library, 37 Church St, East London CBD, East London, 5200

**Workshop facilitator:**

Prof Vuyisile Nkonki (UFH, Director: Teaching and Learning Centre)

**Thesis development and the framing of research issues as threshold concepts in supervision**

The presentation will show that thesis development and framing of research issues are some of the most problematic areas that not only affect the quality of theses but also supervision relationships. The presentation suggests a developmental approach and criteria that supervisors can adopt in an attempt to assist their supervisees with the writing of these aspects and the mitigation of challenges associated with these troublesome areas.

**Panel discussion:** Prof Ahmed Wadee, Prof Moyra Keane and Dr Mamadi Matlhako

**Target Audience:** HEI staff involved with the strategic leadership of postgraduate education, HODs, programme directors, and coordinators of postgraduate programmes, research supervisors and staff from postgraduate support and international offices.

**Workshop fee:**

Postgraduate Forum Members: R 1000.00      Non-members: R 1300.00

**The 2019 Annual General Meeting of PGFSA will take place from 15.15 – 16.00**

PROGRAMME 25 October 2019		
9.15 – 10.00	Registration	
10.00	Word of Welcome and introduction of speakers	Dr Mamadi Matlhako Chairperson, Postgraduate Forum for Southern Africa
10.10	Thesis development and the framing of research issues as threshold concepts in supervision	Prof Vuyisile Nkonki
11.30	Refreshment break	
11.50	Thesis development and the framing of research issues as threshold concepts in supervision	Prof Vuyisile Nkonki
13.00	Lunch	
13.40	Panel discussion	Prof Ahmed Wadee Dr Mamadi Matlhako Prof Moyra Keane
14.50	Closing	
15.15 – 16.00	Annual General Meeting	

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