

PORT ELIZABETH**Holomisa, Meyer tackle homeland issue**

Mr Roelf Meyer

The Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Roelf Meyer, and Major-General Bantu Holomisa of Transkei will debate the issue of interim homeland administration at a public forum hosted by Idasa.

The debate will take place in mid-November and further details may be obtained from the Port Elizabeth office.

Community courts

A one day "think-tank" on community courts will be held on November 24 at the Humewood Hotel.

People doing research on community courts have been invited to participate.

PRETORIA**Police tour of Denmark**

An Idasa-led tour to Denmark is taking place between 8 and 23 November. A group of 10 community leaders and 10 police personnel will hold discussions with their Danish counterparts on police/community relations.

The tour is sponsored by the Danish government and will be led by Ivor Jenkins of the Pretoria office and Idasa programme director Paul Graham.

Religious Freedom Charter

The Pretoria office in conjunction with the World Conference on Religion and Peace (WCRP) will host a conference at the Pretoria Holiday

Inn on November 22-24 to finalise the draft charter for Religious Freedom.

This charter is to be presented to a future constitution writing body.

Democracy workshops

Two "Introduction to Democracy" workshops will be held on November 11 and 15. One of the workshops will be geared towards the business community and the other will be specifically for civic organisations. For more information contact the Pretoria office

Development for Midrand

A workshop focusing on development for the Midrand, facilitated by Idasa, will be held on November 14 and 15.

WESTERN CAPE**Democratic symbols for city**

A seminar on "Symbols for a Democratic Cape Town", organised in conjunction with the University of the Western Cape's Mayibuye Centre, has been postponed to November 30.

Phone Sazi at (021) 462 3635/6 for further details.

Workshop for teachers

A three-day workshop for teachers will be held in George from 13 to 15 November.

Among the themes for discussion are schools in transition, culture and ethos and changes in the curriculum.

'Democratic City' Tours

The Western Cape social history bus has become a regular sight around the townships of Cape Town. Further details can be obtained from Charles or Paula at (021) 462 3635.

DEMOCRACY TRAINING CENTRE**Community exposure to training**

The Democracy Training Centre will be conducting a number of "Introduction to Democracy" training courses during November.

Floor workers and supervisors of Revlon will be attending these workshops on three consecutive Saturdays.

- On November 7 a workshop will be held for the staff of the Eldorado Park Violence Prevention programme. The workshop will focus on democratic practices and accountability.

- A one-day workshop exploring the principles and practices of democracy, and the context of school-related violence will take place on December 5. The workshop will be jointly facilitated with the Project for the Study of Violence.

Representatives from all major student organisations in the country as well as the NECC and teacher organisations have been invited to participate. Attention will be given to ways of reducing the level of violence at affected schools in the PWV region before the start of the new school year.

EAST LONDON**Housing crisis**

A breakfast forum on the housing crisis will be held on November 21 as part of Idasa's ongoing urban development seminar series. The meeting will be held at East London's Holiday Inn from 8.30am to 1pm.

Debating regionalism

A workshop on regionalism will be held on December 5. The workshop is aimed at

members of the civic organisations and hopes to begin the debate on regionalism in the area. A conference which would take the issue of regionalism further is planned for early next year.

BLOEMFONTEIN**Education forum**

An education forum will be held on November 20. This workshop forms part of the ongoing activities of the OFS Education Forum which was formed earlier this year.

Democratic training for principals

The Bloemfontein office together with the Democracy Training Centre will be holding a workshop on democracy for school principals in the Free State. The workshop will look at ways of building a democratic environment for education.

NATAL**Women's Codesa in Durban**

An important national gathering of women takes place in Durban in December to focus on structural mechanisms to empower women in a democratic government.

The workshop has been arranged by Idasa's Natal office in close association with women academics and activists, including the Women's Coalition which represents most political and non-governmental organisations dealing with gender issues. It grew from a consultative meeting in August which also set the agenda for the December 5-6 workshop.

A ministry of women's affairs will be among the options that will be considered. Participation in the workshop is by invitation. Contact Shelagh Gastrow at (031) 3048893.