



African Higher Education on the Move

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Abstract:

A summit held in Dakar 2015 aimed at revitalizing higher education in Africa. This was done despite many efforts to “revitalize” higher education in Africa. The difference is that this initiative has been supported by the African Union because African Heads of State would like to see higher education play a role in helping them achieve the vision outlined in their Agenda 2063 for development. There are various regional initiatives such as the ARUA and HERANA projects to support Africa’s development agenda. The presentation maps out strategies that are being put forward to advance higher education in areas of growth and expansion of systems, funding the systems, expanding research productivity and supporting collaborative work and partnerships.

About the speaker:



Dr. Teboho Moja is a Professor of Higher Education at New York University, an Extraordinary Professor at the University of the Western Cape, and a Visiting Research Fellow, Centre for the Advancement of Scholarship at the University of Pretoria.

She has published extensively on higher education and presented numerous keynote addresses at international conferences on higher education issues. She was the founder member of the Union of Democratic University Staff Associations (UDUSA) and was also elected national president of the organization. She later focused her career on higher education policy research. In 1991/92 she became involved in the National Education Policy Investigation (NEPI), a project initiated by the Mass Democratic Movement in South Africa. The project goal was to investigate policy options for the new government in all areas of education. In 1992 under the leadership of Dr. Moja as national president,

UDUSA produced a higher education policy document for the transformation of higher education.

In 1993 Dr. Moja was appointed to the Centre for Educational Policy Development (CEPD) as a policy analyst for higher education. The Centre produced policy documents and also proposed implementation strategies for hand-over to the new Minister of Education after South Africa’s first democratic elections. Following the elections Dr. Moja served as a Special Advisor to two Ministers of Education and was appointed Executive Director and Commissioner of the National Commission on Higher Education. She has served on numerous committees and boards of international bodies such as UNESCO and Councils of Universities in South Africa. She is the current Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Center for Higher Education Trust (CHET).

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