



The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf)

cordially invites you to a conversation with

**Prof Salim S. Abdool Karim**

Director of CAPRISA

(Centre for the AIDS Programme of Research in South Africa)  
and Professor of Global Health at Columbia University

on

## Science, human rights & activism

In celebration of Human Rights Day, Prof Abdool Karim will be chatting to us on what led him to take on activism, his journey with HIV, the juxtapositioning of science and politics and how academics should manage policy-related issues. We will discuss his impression on the scorecard on human rights issues and the COVID pandemic and the most critical things he would address with respect to human rights.

In this informal conversation, we get to know more about the man, his journey and his mission.

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022

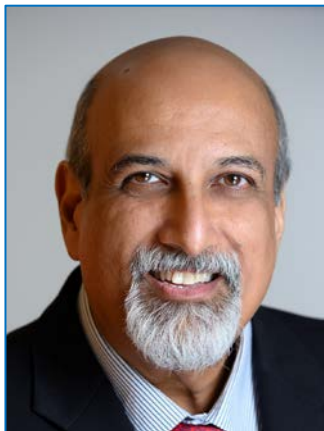
Time: 11:00 – 12:00

Venue: Zoom

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### About Prof Salim S. Abdool Karim

Salim S. Abdool Karim is a clinical infectious diseases epidemiologist widely acknowledged for his scientific contributions and leadership in AIDS and Covid-19. He is the Director of CAPRISA (Centre for the AIDS Programme of Research in South Africa) and Professor of Global Health at Columbia University. He is an Adjunct Professor at Cornell and Harvard Universities and Pro Vice-Chancellor at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. He has served as President of the South African Medical Research Council. He was elected as a Member of ASSAf in 2000, has chaired the Academy's Standing Committee on Health and Related Studies and has actively engaged in other ASSAf related activities. He is a member of the WHO Science Council and the WHO TB-HIV Task Force. He is Vice-President of the International Science Council. He is a member of the Africa Commission on Covid-19 and The Lancet Commission on Covid-19.

### Programme

11:00 – 11:05	<b>Welcome, Background and Introduction</b> Prof Himla Soodyall, ASSAf Executive Officer
11:05 – 11:35	<b>Science, human rights &amp; activism</b> Prof Salim S. Abdool Karim, Director of CAPRISA (Centre for the AIDS Programme of Research in South Africa) and Professor of Global Health at Columbia University
11:35 – 11:55	<b>Q&amp;A</b> Facilitator: Prof Himla Soodyall
11:55 – 12:00	<b>Closing</b> Prof Himla Soodyall



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