Prof André Boraine is Dean of the Faculty of Law. He was previously the Head of the Department of Procedural Law from 1999 to October 2011. He was appointed as Senior Lecturer in the Department of Mercantile Law at the University of Pretoria in 1985, promoted to Associate Professor and to the rank of Professor in 1997. He holds a LLB (Pret) LLM cum laude (Wits) and LLD (Pret).

He is a co-founder and Director of the Centre for Advanced Corporate and Insolvency Law, which has been extensively involved in the drafting of new insolvency legislation. Prof Boraine is frequently invited to present papers at national and international conferences and he has published extensively in the field of Insolvency Law. He is co-author of the third edition of Silberberg and Schoeman’s “Law of Property” and Meskin’s “Insolvency Law”. Both these volumes are regarded as leading textbooks in the respective fields of Property Law and Insolvency Law in South Africa.

Prof Boraine serves on the editorial panel of the International Insolvency Law Review. He also serves on the management board of the Academics Group of Insol International and is an Honorary Member of the Association of Insolvency Practitioners of South Africa. Recently he was appointed as a consultant to the World Bank for a diagnostic analysis of the legal framework in South Africa for regulating insolvency law and the rights of debtors and creditors.

Prof Eric Buch is a medical doctor and registered specialist in Community Medicine. Prior to his appointment as Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences in 2000, he was Professor of Health Policy and Management in the School of Health Systems and Public Health at the University of Pretoria and Health Adviser to the New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD).

Before joining the University of Pretoria, Prof Buch was Deputy Director General for Health Care of Gauteng; Executive Director for Health, Housing and Urbanisation of metropolitan Johannesburg and a founder and Director of the Centre for Health Policy at the University of the Witwatersrand. He served as General Secretary of the National Progressive Primary Health Care Network and was an active member of the National Medical and Dental Association. He began his career with an MRC research fellowship and by co-founding the Wits Rural Health Services Development Unit in Bushbuckridge, where he co-ordinated the team that ran one of the first Primary Health Care (PHC) nurse training courses. He is a founding member of the Board of the Global Health Workforce Alliance.

Over the past 30 years Prof Buch has gained executive experience in academic, government, NGO and global health environments in the fields of health policy and management, health systems, the health workforce and in research, education and community service and has built skills in strategic development. Over the past decade he has grown his expertise in the field of Human Resources for Health at the continental and global levels. He is currently working on developing an Executive Leadership Programme in Health in collaboration with Harvard and Fort Hare Universities. He is the scientific co-ordinator of a European Union Incodev Project on Global Health Initiatives in Africa.
**Prof Irma Eloff** is the Dean of the Faculty of Education at the University of Pretoria. She is an NRF-rated researcher and registered psychologist. She works in positive psychology, early intervention and inclusive education and has received several awards for her research in Education and Educational Psychology. She studied at the Universities of Pretoria, Stellenbosch and North-West, receiving both her honours-and master’s degrees with distinction.

Prof Eloff was a visiting professor at Yale University during 2001-2002 and has presented lectures across the globe. She is a past President of the Education Association of South Africa and currently the Chair of the Education Commission of the SA Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns.

Prof Eloff has published more than 55 academic articles and book chapters and 45 master’s and doctoral students have completed their studies under her supervision. She co-authored the book *Life Skills & Assets* and is co-editor of the book *Keys to Educational Psychology*.

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**Prof Jean Lubuma**

Commencing his studies at the University of Kinshasa, DRC where he obtained his BSc and BSc (Hons) degrees, Prof Lubuma completed the MSc and PhD degrees in Mathematics at the Université Catholique de Louvain in Belgium.

He began his academic career in 1985 as Lecturer and later Senior Lecturer at the University of Annaba, Algeria before completing a stint as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP) in Italy. Thereafter he served as Associate Professor and Professor at the University of Kinshasa, DRC before moving to South Africa for an academic appointment at the Mamelodi Campus of Vista University, where he served as Senior Lecturer, Associate Professor and Professor. He joined the Department of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics at UP in 2000 as Professor and was appointed as Head of Department and Chairperson of the then School of Mathematical Sciences in 2004. He served as Head of Department until 2013, when he took up the SARChI Chair in Mathematical Models and Methods in Bioengineering and Biosciences.

An NRF B-rated scientist who has supervised a number of master’s and doctoral students to completion, Prof Lubuma has published extensively in prestigious journals in a variety of mathematical fields, and is widely recognised as a leading researcher who has initiated several successful research projects and obtained substantial research funding from national and international bodies. He has received a number of awards, including the UP Exceptional Academic Achiever Award for three consecutive periods, the South African Mathematical Society Award for Research Distinction in 2011 and the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences Sign of Honour awarded in 2013. He is co-editor of three scientific journals, a member of numerous national and international scientific bodies in the field of mathematics, and a Fellow of the African Academy of Sciences (AAS), the Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns and the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf).
Prof Darrell Abernethy took office as the new Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science on 1 August 2014. Prof Abernethy was born in 1962 in Kitwe, Zambia and obtained his BVSc degree at Onderstepoort in 1985. This was followed by an MSc in Social Sciences (organisation and manpower) from Queens University in London in 1990, a postgraduate Diploma in Epidemiology from the London School for Hygiene and Tropical Medicine in 2002 and a PhD (in epidemiology) from the London University in 2002.

His career as veterinarian includes five years as veterinary officer (animal and public health) with the Department of Agriculture in Northern Ireland, three years in a similar role with the Ministry of Agriculture in Botswana and seventeen years with the Department of Agriculture in Northern Ireland as epidemiologist and later Head of the Veterinary Epidemiology Unit. For the past two years he served as Head of the Department of Veterinary Tropical Diseases (DVTD) at the Faculty of Veterinary Science.

Prof Abernethy has published widely in his field and is viewed as an expert in the field of bovine brucellosis and tuberculosis. He has served as chair of a multinational scientific group with representatives from the United Kingdom and has taught general epidemiology as well as the epidemiology of several diseases in various international contexts.